

**BMG - Patient Consultation Exercise on Branch Site Application**

We are applying to NHSE to change the following sites to Branch Surgeries:

*Meadowside Medical Practice, Lancaster*

*West End Surgery, Morecambe*

*York Bridge Surgery, Morecambe*

*Westgate Surgery, Morecambe.*

***Why are we doing this?:***

Branch Site status allows for greater flexibility regarding Core Opening Hours of 8am to 6.30pm Monday to Friday.

As you know there is a national shortage of GPs and Nurses and Bay Medical Group already has a significant shortage of Clinical staff yet we still need to ensure we manage services safely across all our sites.

Please be assured that we are not planning the closure of any sites. Branch site status would mean we will be able to review the opening & closing hours and make changes during periods of increased pressure which may mean it would be difficult to ensure safe clinical staffing levels across all sites across all opening hours.

If we had Branch Site status we would be able to amend the opening / closing hours of those sites as required.

***We would like to hear your views:***

This patient consultation is to ask for your views so we may take them in to account when completing our application.

[Please complete our survey by clicking here](#) before **Thursday 22nd February 2018.**