## **Little Horton Lane M C**

## **Bowel Cancer Screening**



Bowel cancer is the fourth most common cancer in the UK. The aim of the National Bowel Screening Programme is to discover bowel cancer at an early stage. The sooner it's caught, the easier it is to treat.

Bowel screening involves a simple test that you conduct at home. For these reasons, we encourage you to consider participating in the bowel screening programme.

Whether or not to take part in bowel screening is your choice.

Men and women aged between 60 and 74 years old are eligible to take part every 2 years.

If you have not received your screening pack or wish to have another sent out to you, please telephone the following number: **0800 707 6060.** You can also discuss this with any member of practice staff.

## **Breast Cancer Screening**



Breast Cancer screening involves testing apparently healthy people for signs that could show that a cancer is developing.

Breast screening uses a test called mammography which involves taking x-rays of the breasts. Screening can help to find breast cancers early, when they are too small to see or feel. These tiny breast cancers are usually easier to treat than larger ones.

Overall, the breast screening programme finds cancer in about 8 out of every 1,000 women having screening.

Each year more than 2 million women have breast cancer screening in the UK. The NHS Breast Screening Programme invites all women aged between 50 and 70 for screening every 3 years. You need to be registered with a GP to receive the invitations.

## **Attention Ladies**

- Are you aged 25 -65?
- Is your smear up to date?

If you are unsure please ring reception to check.

IT IS VERY IMPORTANT TO ATTEND FOR YOUR SMEAR. IT IS A TEN MINUTE APPOINTMENT WHICH COULD PREVENT YOU FROM DEVELOPING CERVICAL CANCER. YOU ARE AT RISK NO MATTER WHICH AGE GROUP YOU ARE IN.