## Haughton Thornley Medical Centres



I am a patient at Haughton Vale surgery. Getting my records on line has been quite an asset to me from getting my repeat prescriptions to sending messages that are non-urgent to the surgery and the best thing for me is to look over my past history to see what treatment and tablets I have had that has either worked or not worked and I can work with the doctor to move forward to keep myself as fit as my health allows me to be.

I am fortunate that there is no serious life threatening problems for me although I do have health problems that are quite threatening in other ways. The most recent is the glaucoma I have recently been diagnosed with. I have had iridotomies to both my eyes and have kept up with everything the doctors have told me to do at the hospital but alas twelve months down the line I have been told I have macular degeneration and cataracts and am being sent for a scan this week. I have pointed out to the doctors at the hospital that my vision is quite compromised to one eye and has been for some time and this is where I feel I have a threatening problem.

Health wise as my fear to date is that I may lose my sight any time soon but that is just a fear and may not turn out to be so. But it's my everyday life and how I go about things and my job that worry me. But with the help of records access, I have been able to browse through about glaucoma, cataracts and macular degeneration and ease my mind as I know the website is giving me true informed information that is reliable and as accurate as can be. So records access for me is invaluable and the best thing I have involved myself with.

Thank you.

Received 8<sup>th</sup> May 2011 **P C, a patient of Haughton Thornley Medical Centres** www.htmc.co.uk