

Dr Shantir Practice Terms & Conditions

The following activities are not part of the core GP contract (GMS) and Dr Shantir Practice will not provide any of them as either an NHS or private service. Registration with Dr Shantir Practice constitutes acceptance of these terms.

- Assessment of capacity for the purposes of legal documents or decisions (e.g. wills, Lasting Power of Attorney).
- Dental care – we do not undertake to provide any kind of dental care, including antibiotics for potential infections and conversion of private dental prescriptions to NHS prescriptions, as we are not trained, qualified or indemnified to do so.
- Firearms certificates.
- Issue any prescriptions for transgender hormones.
- Letters for theme parks, holidays, travel or any other instance, regarding ability to wait or queue (we will provide a patient summary of medical conditions and medications, for a fee).
- Letters of being unfit for court attendance, other than as legally mandated by a court official, in writing.
- Letters stating exemption for any vaccination, other than in the context of documented anaphylaxis and no alternative vaccination being available.
- Letters stating fitness to do any activity (for example, leisure, sporting, charity, educational, occupational, health or legal activity).
- Prescriptions to prevent or treat altitude sickness.
- Private health checks/screening: any screening or health check tests undertaken by a private provider will be returned immediately to the patient without clinical review or action and will not be entered on to the NHS records. Further action is the responsibility of the person requesting/organising the tests. We do not accept any liability for the contents of these reports being reviewed or actioned appropriately, in line with GMC guidance on the results of investigations being the responsibility of the person who requested them. Deferring to the GP is not an acceptable transfer of care.
- Provision of any sedation/anxiolytic for specific fears or phobias, e.g. medical investigations or procedures (e.g. scans), consultations with other healthcare professionals (e.g. dentists), flying, or any other such simple phobia (related to a particular object, animal, situation or activity).
- Requesting, arranging or performing any tests at the request of a private healthcare provider, other than in the exceptional circumstances when we would normally undertake those tests on behalf of an NHS specialist, as decided by the GP.
- Seatbelt exemption certificates.
- Shared care: we do not participate in any shared care agreements with private providers. Where shared care with a private provider is via the NHS Right to Choose programme, we will consider shared care, depending on current practice resource and the terms of the shared care agreement being acceptable to us – there is no guarantee of acceptance, and the agreement may be subject to notice at any time.
- Sick notes for schools, colleges, and universities.
- Weight loss medications: we do not assess suitability for weight loss medication where it is prescribed by a private provider. Letters regarding this medication will not be seen by a clinician and a standard letter will be sent to the prescriber informing them of their duty to ensure they have adequate information for safe prescribing. We will provide specific information in the event that we receive patient consent to do so, and the relevant fee is received.
- Weight loss surgery: it is not part of GMS services to undertake monitoring for the first two years following weight loss surgery. If the surgery was done in the NHS, it is the responsibility of the NHS team who performed the surgery. If it was done privately or abroad, follow up for the first two years must be done privately.

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