

## COMPLEX WOUND CARE SERVICE

From 1st October 2025, we are no longer able to provide complex wound care appointments at Over Wyre Medical Centre. This is not a decision we have taken lightly. For the past 10 years, our team has been proud to provide this service to you, our patients. However, we have been doing so without any NHS funding, which our regulator identified as unsustainable seven years ago.



Despite submitting detailed business cases and repeatedly requesting proper funding from NHS Lancashire and South Cumbria, we have not received the resources needed to continue safely delivering this specialist care. It was the express wish for the partners to retain complex wound care but sadly we have been advised that we are not contracted to carry out this service.

We will still provide a simple wound care service offering the following:

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| Removal of sutures      | changing of simple dressings |
| small wound closure     | first degree burns           |
| superficial skin ulcers |                              |

We know how important this service is to you, and we sincerely apologise for the disruption this will cause.

Alternative arrangements if you require complex wound care, please contact:



**Fleetwood Same Day Health Centre open from 8 AM to 8 PM daily**

Which is located at: Dock St, Fleetwood FY7 6HP



Telephone: 0300 123 1144

We are actively working with the NHS to secure funding so we can restore this service as quickly as possible. We have a follow-up meeting scheduled for 15th October and will update you as soon as we have news.

If you have any concerns about your individual wound care needs, please contact the practice and we will do our best to advise you.

Thank you for your understanding during this difficult time. We remain committed to providing you with the best possible care within the resources available to us.