

# Healthcare information for visitors to Edinburgh during August 2018

Large numbers of visitors will be in Edinburgh for the city's summer festivals. For those who become unwell and need medical help or advice, please follow the information below, which aims to guide you to the most appropriate healthcare service.

## Local pharmacies

Pharmacies will provide you with help and advice on common health problems, minor ailments and questions about medicines. If you are from the United Kingdom and run out of repeat medication, a pharmacy may be able to help you get a prescription from your own GP practice or an emergency supply. To find the pharmacy nearest to you and for more self-help advice, go to [www.nhsinform.scot/national-service-directory/pharmacies](http://www.nhsinform.scot/national-service-directory/pharmacies)

## Minor Injuries Clinic

For minor injuries (minor cuts / burns, wound infections, sprains and small bone breaks (from shoulder to fingers and knees to toes), go to the Minor Injuries Clinic, Western General Hospital, Crewe Road South, Edinburgh. Treatment for adults and children over one year. Open every day from 8am - 9pm (last patient book-in: 8.30pm). No appointment necessary. Phone 0131 537 3481.

## Sexual Health Services

The Chalmers Centre provides care and advice on sexual health issues, including emergency contraception. For appointments and advice, call 0131 536 1070 or visit [www.lothiansexualhealth.scot.nhs.uk](http://www.lothiansexualhealth.scot.nhs.uk) for more information.

## NHS inform

For advice on common health problems, see the NHS inform website at [www.nhsinform.scot](http://www.nhsinform.scot)

## GP surgeries

If you are acutely ill and need contact with a General Practitioner (GP/family doctor) that day, you should first phone a local GP practice. To find the GP practice nearest you, go to [www.nhsinform.scot/national-service-directory/gp-practices](http://www.nhsinform.scot/national-service-directory/gp-practices)

Alternatively, phone 0131 667 3925 where there are a number of additional appointments available between 9am and 5.30pm, Monday to Friday, from Wednesday 1st August to Monday 27th August.

## Healthcare at night and weekends

For healthcare advice between 6pm and 8am and at weekends, please call NHS 24 on 111. NHS 24 will provide appropriate assessment and treatment, if necessary.

## Emergency dental treatment

For information on emergency dental care, visit [www.nhsinform.scot/care-support-and-rights/nhs-services](http://www.nhsinform.scot/care-support-and-rights/nhs-services).

## Emergency ambulances and 999 calls

If at any time you think you need an emergency ambulance for a life-threatening condition, call 999.

For more information, see our website at [www.nhslothian.scot.nhs.uk/festivalhealth](http://www.nhslothian.scot.nhs.uk/festivalhealth)