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## **Patients get first look at revamped medical centre**

Sayeed Medical Centre patients are getting their first look at the revamped surgery in Leicester, which reopened its doors last week after a £557,000 refurbishment.

The eight-month project has transformed the East Park Road practice into a modern and bright building which is twice the size of the previous centre. Patients will be able to have minor surgical procedures on site, visit the nurse or one of the three GPs – Dr Dalal, Dr Siddiqui and Dr Hussain.

During the refurbishment patients were able to see their GP at St Peters Health Centre, after the practice temporarily relocated there.

Louise Atkin, the practice manager, said: “We are delighted to be back in our building and are sure that our patients will be as impressed as we are by the transformation.

“We are also accepting new patients and would urge anyone interested in joining us to come along and have a look for themselves. We also have a new telephone number for patients to use, which is 0116 323 2030.”

Sayeed Medical Centre is run by The Practice from a building owned by NHS Leicester City. The funding for the refurbishment has been provided by NHS Capital.

Patients wanting to join the practice can pick up a registration form from reception or download it from [www.thepracticeplc.com](http://www.thepracticeplc.com). Sayeed Medical Centre is open Mondays from 8am to 8pm and Tuesday to Friday from 8am to 6.30pm. For more information call 0116 323 2030.

*Caption1: Sayeed Medical Centre before the refurbishment*

*Caption2: The new look surgery in East Park Road, which has doubled in size*

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Notes to editor:

In October 2010 NHS Leicester City and NHS Leicestershire County and Rutland joined forces to form a ‘cluster’, in line with the requirements of the Department of

Health. Although we share one Cluster Board and our staff work across the city and county boundaries, we have not legally merged, and retain our separate statutory duties. Together we serve a population of around 1.5m. Cluster formation is an interim stage in the reform of the NHS, involving ongoing transfer of most local commissioning functions to GP-led clinical commissioning groups, in line with the Health and Social Care Bill, now before Parliament.

NHS Capital is money given to the PCT to improve and develop the buildings from which services are provided.