

Dear Colleagues

Welcome to the Association of Surgeons in Primary Care

ASPC is a fledgling organisation formed in response to the growing number of doctors and nurses offering surgical services in the community. The aim of ASPC is to educate, promote and sustain appropriate surgical services in the primary care. It will enable us to have a forum to discuss and debate important issues, as accreditation, governance, training and other relevant issues.

Care Closer to Home –Department of Health's project -- is here to stay. Your health, Your care, Your say has clearly revealed that the British public would like quality care closer to home. ASPC is working closely with the DOH to crystallise this project. Implementing this philosophy will increase new challenging opportunities along with new hurdles to cross.

Association of Surgeons in Great Britain and Ireland (ASGBI) are hosting a conference in Manchester next month –theme being –**'A First Class Service'**. ASPC is grateful to ASGBI for the help, administrative support and for giving us an opportunity to launch our organisation at their forthcoming AGM in Manchester.

I hope you will join us in Manchester and attend the ASPC symposium on 18th March at 1600hrs. I look forward to hearing your views and together help the concept of care closer to home come to fruition.

Best wishes,
Raj Dhumale MS FRCS
President