

# NEW MILTON HEALTH CENTRE

## CONSENT TO CARE

All healthcare involves decisions made by you (the patient) and those providing your care.

The principles of consent apply to all decisions about your care: from the treatment of minor and self-limiting conditions, to major interventions with significant risks or side effects. The principles also apply to decisions about screening.

Whatever the context in which medical decisions are made, we must work in partnership with you to ensure good care.

In so doing, we will:

- listen to you and respect your views about your health
- discuss with you what your diagnosis, prognosis, treatment and care involve
- share with you the information you want or need in order to make decisions
- maximise your opportunities, and ability, to make decisions for yourself
- respect your decisions.