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17<sup>th</sup> October 2013

Dear Patient

**Re: Possible closure of Tilbury Surgery, 4 Commonwealth House, Montreal Road.**

I am writing to inform you that we have been approached by both Medic House Surgery, at which you are a registered patient, and Tilbury Surgery on the Montreal Road with a request to merge the surgeries. Before we can consider this request we need to consult with patients, establish how they may be affected, and most importantly, seek their views.

Dr Ramachandran and Dr Raja, who currently provide services from Medic House Surgery, have asked Dr Saha and Dr Padmanabhan the Doctors at Tilbury Surgery to become partners and operate out of the one building. This would mean that Tilbury Surgery would close and Doctors and all the staff would transfer to Medic House Surgery where they would continue to see their patients. Dr Padmanabhan is a female doctor which would also provide patients currently registered with Medic House an additional option if they would sometimes prefer to see a female GP.

We at NHS England are committed to ensuring that all patients have access to high quality and safe GP services. We would really like to hear your views on this proposed change and would like to invite you to a Patient Engagement meeting at Medic House Surgery on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2013 from 2pm-3.30pm. Alternatively if you are unable to attend, please email queries to [england.essexatadmin@nhs.net](mailto:england.essexatadmin@nhs.net) or write to me at the address above by no later than the 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2013.

I will write again following the Engagement Event to let you know the outcome of any discussions and to advise you of any decision made by NHS England.

**Please note only one letter per household has been sent, therefore please can you ensure all members of your family who are registered with the Medic House Surgery are shown this letter.**

Yours sincerely



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