

NHS England (West Midlands) Primary Care Update – October 2016

Sustainability and Resilience Programme – GPRP

Local teams (DCO) have been asked to confirm practice selections for the GPRP by 18th October 2016. Following a meeting with all CCGs and a large number of self-referrals, a list with over 220 practices was submitted to the central team.

We will be working with our CCGs in the coming months to ensure that support is made available to practices that need it most in order to support sustainability across health economies.

Biannual Extended Access Data Collection

From October 2016, as set out in regulations, every GP practice in England will be required to submit an online return twice a year through the Primary Care Web Tool: www.primarycare.nhs.uk within a new module titled “Biannual Extended Access” (enclosed). This will set out what access to appointments the practice offers to patients either itself or through other arrangements, seven days a week.

This module will be made automatically available to GP practice staff who currently have ability to submit mandatory data returns to NHS England, and will be available in the website when the collection opens.

The first return will be open for submission from **3 October 2016 to 31 October 2016** inclusive. We have received a number of queries from practices about the return – it is important that CCGs route queries to NHSE in order to complete this in a timely manner.

Further guidance is available on the NHS England’s website: <https://www.england.nhs.uk/commissioning/gp-contract/>.

PCSE Update

NHS England have implemented a turnaround team, led by Jill Matthews. A Medical Director has recently been appointed to support the process.

Current issues:

- GP Trainees (the team has suggested that this issue only affects 50 trainees, but local teams have suggested that this should be closer to 100s)
- Medical records movement still not efficient
- Subject Access reports delayed

The team have put in place improvement plans to work to. Latest update attached.



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GMS Contract Variations October 2016

Nil