

# Primary care update



## Primary care in the ICB





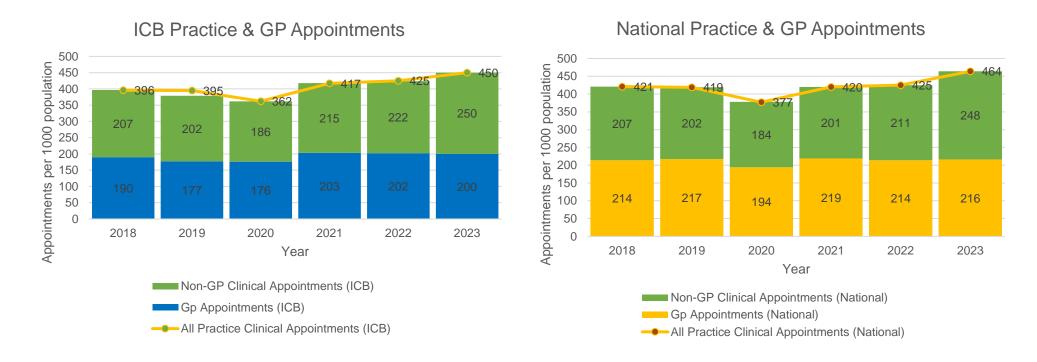




From 1 April 2023, primary care took on a whole new meaning for the ICB communications and engagement team. Following the delegation of commissioning responsibilities from NHS England to ICBs, the team is now responsible for communications and engagement with general practice, dentistry, pharmacy and optometry.



#### **GP** access



There continues to be an increase in general practice appointments, in line with the national trend. While this demonstrates the service is there for patients across Lancashire and South Cumbria, it also demonstrates the pressure practices are currently facing to meet demand.



# GPPS findings 2023

 Results of this year's GP Patient Survey were generally favourable in comparison to the previous year, but still show significant room for improvement:

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Overall, how would you described your experience of making an appointment?

58% 'very good or fairly good'



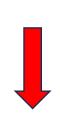
Were you successful in getting an NHS dentist appointment? 'Yes'



Generally, how easy is it to get through to someone at your GP practice on the phone? 5400



How satisfied are you with the general practice 55% of appointment times that are available to you? 'very satisfied or fairly satisfied'



Thinking about the reason for your last general practice appointment, were your needs met?

Thinking about the reason for your yes, definitely or yes, to some extent'





### Our work

- Engaging with GP patients:
  - Withnell Health Centre procurement
  - Special allocations scheme procurement
  - Haverthwaite Surgery relocation
  - Liverpool House Surgery closure
  - Slaidburn Surgery procurement
  - Old Links Surgery closure
  - And we're constantly horizon scanning – Relocations in Kirkham and Wesham, Adelaide Street in Blackpool, Pendle View in Brierfield, Great Eccleston Health Centre new-build ... and more!

- Findings from each of these pieces of work are presented in an engagement report which provides an analysis of the rich insights we are getting.
- By analysing the feedback we are able to summarise what patients are telling us really matters to them:
  - Ease of contacting their surgery
  - East of access to appointments
  - Convenience
  - Consistency of care and treatment



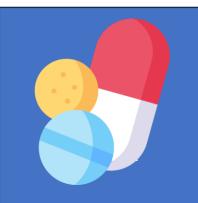
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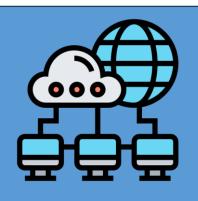
Developing a narrative for dentistry and oral health messaging



Establishing Citizens Health Reference Group



Working with pharmacists and GP practices around Pharmacy First scheme



Developing primary care intranet





# Integrated Neighbourhood Teams – engagement and communication

- We have developed a communication and engagement plan for the ICB system and place based work around integrated neighbourhood teams (INTs).
- This plan sets out how we can effectively engage with health, social care and VCFSE sector staff and partners working within communities and organisations across Lancashire and South Cumbria.
- The purpose of this engagement is to:
  - Understand the views and experiences of people and communities
  - Raise awareness of integrated neighbourhood teams
  - build support for the INT approach
  - Support the development of neighbourhood leadership and MDT 'team of teams' as part of the recommendations set out in the Fuller Stocktake Report.
  - This plan will support the system-level communication and engagement with key audiences across Lancashire and South Cumbria and will be the foundation for local plans within INTs and at Place.



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