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What are Primary Care Networks?

- Key building block of NHS Long Term Plan
- Bring GP practices together to work at scale and provide a wider range of services to patients
- Improve ability of practices to recruit and retain staff
- Support integration with wider health and care system



Primary Care Network take-up

- Since July 1st all except a handful of GP practices in England have come together in networks covering populations of c30–50,000 patients
- Practices are not mandated to join a network, but will lose out on significant extra funding if they do not

What will Primary Care Networks do?

- Provide a wider range of services to patients, involving a wider set of staff roles than feasible in individual practices
- Take a proactive approach to managing the health of their local population
- Focus on service delivery, rather than the planning and funding of services



Additional Roles Reimbursement Scheme

2019/20

Clinical pharmacist
Social prescribing link worker

2020/21

First contact physiotherapist Physician associate

2021/22

First contact community paramedic



How will PCNs be funded?

- Directed Enhanced Service (DES) payment an extension of the core GP contract.
- Minimum of 70% of the cost of specific new clinical roles will be funded over the period of the contract.
- Funding for additional roles i.e. new staff only not existing roles. Networks will have flexibility to decide how many of each to employ.

Neston and Willaston

Population Size: 20,721

3 Practices – Neston Surgery, Neston Medical, Willaston Clinical Director – Jeremy Perkins (Neston Surgery)

One Ellesmere Port

Population Size: 68,685

10 Practices- Whitby x 3, Great Sutton x3, Hope Farm,

York Road, Old Hall, Westminster

Clinical Director – Emily Morton (Whitby England)



Rural Alliance

Population Size: 39,329

Practices – Malpas, Village Surgeries, Bunbury, Kelsall,

Tarporely x 2

Clinical Director – Alistair Adey (Tarporley)

Princeway

Population Size:26,940

Practices – Princeway Surgeries and Helsby

Clinical Director – Jonathan Gregson (Helsby)



Chester East

Population Size: 37,224

Practices – Park, Boughton, Heath Lane and Upton

Clinical Director – Annabel Jones (Boughton)

Chester Central (formally Fountains)

Population Size: 38,910

Practices – Garden Lane, Northgate Village, Northgate

Medical, The Elms, Fountains

Clinical Directors – Aidan Macgrath (The Elms) and

Rebecca Banks (Northgate Village)



Chester South

Population Size: 34,067

Practices – Lache, Handbridge, Western Avenue and

City Walls

Clinical Directors – Victoria Hough (City Walls) and Charlotte Rowland (Handbridge)



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