2013/14 PPG Report



The Mission Practice

Patient Participation Report 2013/2014

Produced for the Patient Participation Directed Enhanced Service (DES) for the GMS contract 2012/2013

Introduction

This document provides NHS England area teams and practices with information to support the patient participation DES. This service has been commissioned for a further year effective from 1 April 2013 until 31 March 2014. The DES applies to England only.

Indicators relating to access are no longer included in the Quality and Outcomes Framework (QOF). However, it is expected that the quality of access currently provided by GP surgeries in respect of obtaining an appointment within two working days and the ability to book ahead should be maintained unless there is clear evidence to support a change. This is further substantiated by evidence from the 2013/14 survey for Mission practice patients.

The purpose of the patient participation DES is to ensure that patients are involved in decisions about the range and quality of services provided and over time, commissioned by their practice. It aims to encourage and reward practices for routinely asking and acting on the views of their patients. This includes the patients being involved in decisions that lead to changes to the services their practice provides or commissions, either directly or in its capacity as gatekeeper to other services.

This DES (Directed Enhanced Service) aims to promote the proactive engagement of patients through the use of effective Patient Reference Groups (PPGs) and to seek views from practice patients through the use of a local practice survey. The outcomes of the engagement and the views of patients are to be published on the practice's website. One aspect that practices may wish to focus on is ensuring convenient access to the practice and also from the practice to other services in its role as coordinator of care, facilitating access to other health and social care providers.

Our Practice Patient Participation Group was formed in 2011 and the first meeting was held on 20th October 2011. In order to attract volunteers we put details on our website (including on-line application process), put up a poster in our Waiting Room, put details on our digital patient call system and sent a text message to over 70% of our patients.

We continue to promote the PPG on our media screens, in the practice brochure and on our website where we also post the meeting minutes and registration is open to our entire patient.

There are a number of key components to this DES:

- Component 1: Develop a structure that gains the views of patients and enables the practice to obtain feedback from the practice population, e.g. a PPG
- Component 2: Agree areas of priority with the PPG
- Component 3: Collate patient views through the use of a survey
- Component 4: Provide PPG with opportunity to discuss survey findings and reach agreement with the PPG on changes to services
- ➤ Component 5: Agree action plan with the PPG and seek PPG agreement to implementing changes

Component 6: Publicise actions to be taken and subsequent achievement

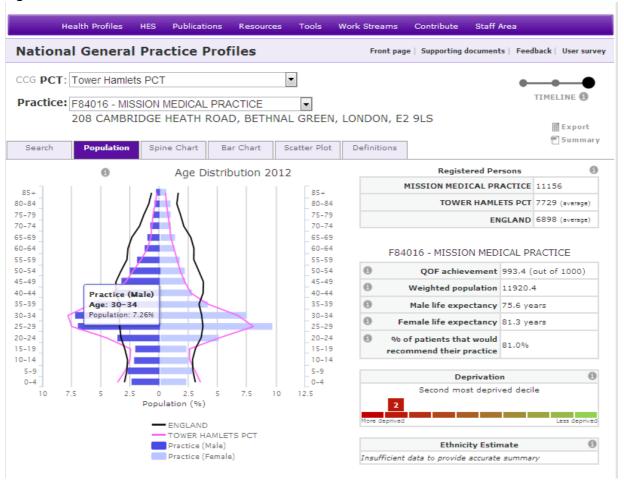
More details on these components are further discussed explicitly in this report.

Component 1: Develop a PPG

Due to our previous engagement in this DES we do not need to recreate a new structure (or PPG) as we have an existing group. However, we need to periodically review whether the group remains representative of the practice population.

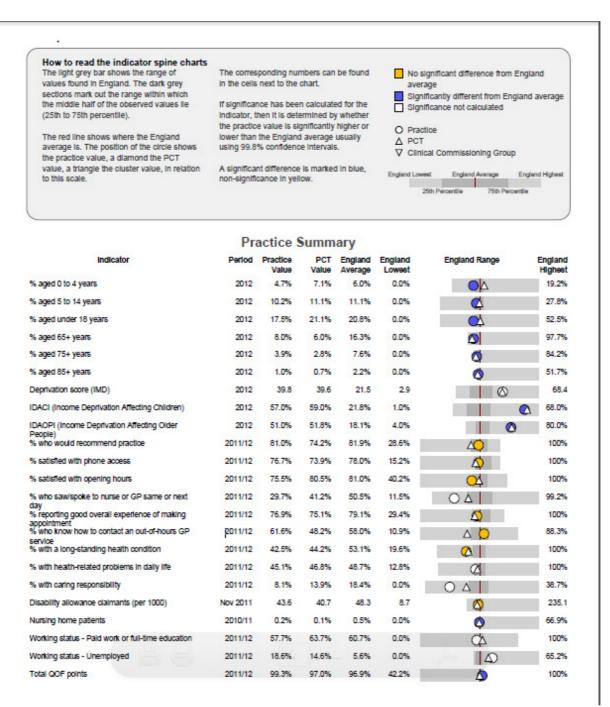
Fig 1 below shows a brief description of the profile of the practice population. For further info please click on this link - <u>Mission Practice Population Profile</u> or visit http://www.apho.org.uk/PracProf/profile.aspx#mod,2,pyr,2012,pat,2,par,E16000011,are,F8 4016,sid1,2000005,ind1,639-4,sid2,2000005,ind2,640-4

Fig 1



We have developed a PPG through volunteers and regular meetings with structure in place to enable regular engagement with a representative sample of the practice population.

From Fig1 above we can see that the practice population remains at just over 11000 patients with 3000 and 4000 patients more than Tower Hamlet and National average population respectively.



The practice summary is further depicted in fig 2 showing nation and local population profile comparison. 25.5% of our list size comprises of patients less than 18 years and over 65 years, from this the practice has about three quarters of its list size consisting of patients between 18 and 65 with high rate of young population. Detailed information on the Mission practice population profile can be found in the embedded public health report below.



Going into our third consecutive years of engaging our patients through PPG, this has been a remarkable success; it has continued to improve with every meeting and is becoming more popular amongst patients. We endeavour to improve its popularity amongst the patient and subsequently grow the group size. We are devoted to this group as they serve as first point of patients' voice.

We currently have a total of 24 members from different backgrounds and different ages our youngest being 22 and our oldest 87. We are very confident that our PPG is an optimal representative of the practice population according to age profile. However it is not 100% reflective and we are opening our door to accommodate more members.

The 24 members include 9 male and 15 female representatives.

Age profile:

1 member: 17 – 25 years 5 x members: 26 – 35 years 11 x members: 36 – 55 years 4 x members: 56-65 years 3 x members: 66+ years

Component 2: Agree areas of priority with the PRG

From the result of last year's survey, it was obvious that our patients were quite satisfied with the services we currently offer to them. This made it difficult to easily agree on an area they might think we need to serve them better because they were happy with the service they are currently receiving. The main reason is due to an excellent relationship between our staff (both clinical and non-clinical) and the patients and the reassuring 'feel good' factor they tend to pass onto them.

From last year's survey, majority of the patients were happy about the service offered, but we felt there is always room for improvement. We decided to make this year's survey more informative and awareness driven. The practice was very keen in engaging patients to help deliver and design services around the needs of its patients. Questions about cancer awareness programme and social services which they could benefit from locally were asked. The practice was keenly interested in ensuring that before it sought the views of its patients on the priority areas, the group understood its roles and responsibilities and why as a group they are central to everything the Practice does.

We also decided to ask question about issues asked in previous year like patient experience with regards to appointments, telephone access, seeing a GP of their choice to see if we have further improve one year on.

Component 3: Collate patient views through use of a survey

Survey was designed in line with what was agreed between PPG and Mission Practice and questionnaires were made available at the reception desk and waiting area. We sometimes assign a staff to the waiting area to enlighten patients about the rationale behind the survey and its importance so as to motivate them in completing the survey.

We opted for limited questionnaires by post due to low response rate we had from that platform last year. Due to the high density of our practice population with English as a second language, members of our staff conducted some face to face consultations to ensure this patient group was included. In total we had 127 returned survey by post out of 200 sent out representing a return of 63.5%. Patients were also able to complete 367 questionnaires in the waiting room which bring the total of completed questionnaires to 494, a little short of 500 we expected.

Component 4: Provide PPG with opportunity to discuss survey findings and reach agreement with the PRG on changes to services

Following our last meeting on the 29/08/2013, result of last year's survey was discussed with the PPG, In the meeting more emphasis were on last year's action points and the level of execution. Refer to Appendix B for action plan decided on.

Component 5: Agree action plan with the PRG and seek PRG agreement to implementing changes

Some of the agreed plans from 2012 were achieved and the rest are on-going. In this survey year, we were able to improve the link between the patients and community services by appointing a community networker who signpost community and social service that can benefit patients with different health and social problems. Access remains a critical issue which has significantly improve but we believe we can still improve as this is a long term and on-going project. We have recently purchased a telephone system which put callers in a queue and also actively monitors the performance of the receptionist. With the installation of the new system we are optimistic that queue on the phone will improve significantly in the nearest future.

Our main priorities 2013/14 include looking at ways to educate all patients on how to access the system and also create awareness about early cancer detection.

Appendix A. Questionnaire

The Mission Practice Survey 2013/14

Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path

We would like you to participate in a short survey about the Surgery and its services. The questions below have been based on the priorities identified by the PPG and the practice in our last meeting in August 2013 and also result from last year's survey

Please complete your questionnaire based on your visit today...

Thinking about booking your appointment....

Following feedback, we have worked hard to try and improve the booking experience for patients

Q1	How easy did you find it to book your appointment on the phone?	Easier than it used to be	Satisfactory	Harder than it used to be	I booked online
Q2	How many days of calling did it take you to get an appointment?	I got an appointment the first day I called	2 days	3 days	Over 3 days
Q3	How helpful were the reception staffs?	Very helpful	Satisfactory	Not helpful	I don't know
Q4	How satisfied were you with the day and time arranged for your appointment?	Very Satisfied	Satisfied	Not Satisfied	I don't know
Q5	If you wanted to see a specific doctor or nurse, was this possible?	Yes	No	I didn't mind who I saw	I don't know
Q6	Did you consider speaking to a doctor or nurse on the phone rather than booking an appointment?	Yes	No	I didn't know I could	I don't know

Thinking about the GP Surgery environment....

Q7	How satisfied are you with the surgery's current opening hours?	Very Satisfied	Satisfied	Not Satisfied	I don't know
Q8	How satisfied are you with access to the surgery building?	Very Satisfied	Satisfied	Not Satisfied	I don't know

	How satisfied are you with the comfort level of the waiting room (e.g. chairs, magazines).	Very Satisfied	Satisfied	Not Satisfied	I don't know
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Thinking about your appointment.....

How satisfied were you with the quality of your consultation?	Very Satisfied	Satisfied	Not Satisfied	I don't know		
Do you feel you had enough time for your appointment today?		Yes		No		
How satisfied are you with the way the doctor / nurse explained your problem or the treatment you require?	Very Satisfied	Satisfied	Not Satisfied	I don't know		
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Comments

Surgery services and Health promotions....

Q13	What is you level of awareness for cancer screening – early cancer detection?	High Low N			1oderate	None		
	Do you know that Tower Hamlet organises educational events for health programme campaigns like cancer awareness, Cancer National Lung Campaign etc. Please contact the surgery for event time-table (Wilma Bol)	Yes				No		
Q15	Did you know you don't need an appointment to order repeat prescriptions? (unless a medication review is due)	Yes	Yes No		o	Not applicable to me		
Q16	Did you know you can order repeat prescriptions online using our website? (ask reception for a username and logon)	Yes	Yes No		0	Not applicable to me		
	Did you know you can book an appointment with a nurse or doctor online using our website? (ask reception for a username and logon)	Yes			No			
Q18	Are there any other services you would like to see the surgery provide?	Yes			No			

Please describe below Comments

Demographic Information

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Q19	Are you	Male			Female				I don't want to answer		
Q20	How old are you?	0-16	17-24		25-35		3	36-49		50-65	Over 65
Q21	Do you have any long-standing illness, disability or infirmity?*	Yes				No					
Q22	Which ethnic group do you belong to?	White	Black or Bl British		Asian or Britis			Mixed		Chinese	Other Ethnic Group
Q23	Which of the following best describes you?	Employed (full or part time, inc. self- employed)	Unemployed and looking for work	fu	chool or in all time acation	work (long	ole to due to term ess	ue to erm Looking afte your home /		Retired	Other

^{*} By long-standing we mean anything that has troubled you over a period of time of that is likely to affect you over a period of time.

Thank you very much for your time!

We will put the results of the survey and the actions we agree with the surgery on a notice board in the waiting room and on the surgery website http://www.themissionpractice.nhs.uk/index.aspx

<u>Join Us!</u> We have a Patient Participation Group committee who meet but we want a wider Group, the committee can consult on ideas they have had. If you would like to be a part of our Patient Participation Group, please complete a form in the surgery. You will be contacted by email or post (whichever you decide) and we would notify you of any meetings.

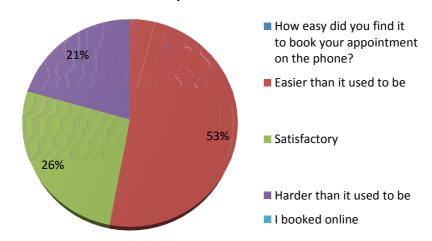
Appendix B. Action plan

Area o	f Improvement	Recommendation	Action required	Practice Lead	Time frame of changes	Comments /Achievements
1.	Wider ethnic group	Expand the ethnic group at PPG Improve the Involvement of the Local Minority group	 Use of official invites to attract other ethnic minority groups Promote the PPG in more attractive to this group Get other wider ethnic groups involved 	Wilma	April 2014	
2.	Improvement on Telephone system	Review the telephone system queue system to offer appropriate options for patients when calling in	Monitor operators' performance and feed PPG back	Isabel	April 2014	
3.	Website update	Updating our website regularly for different events and information	Constant website update to keep the patients aware of current activities	Sandra	On-going from Last year	
4.	Meeting Reminders	Reduce the number of meetings DNA	Send text reminder for meetings plus letters if possible	Wilma	On-going from Last year	
5.	Appointments	Reduce the number of Did Not Attend Appointments (DNA)	 Look at increasing use of text messaging service as a reminder to patients not to forget their appointment Display reminders to patients each month on the number of wasted appointments via posters, newsletter and website updates Communicate any changes to staff and patients as feedback is crucial 	Receptionists	On-going from Last year	

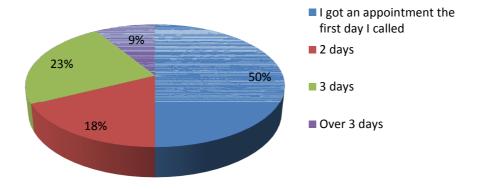
6	Health Promotion	Improve Health Promotion Campaigns	 Use screen message at the waiting room to improve patients' awareness about health campaign Posters on the notice board – Currently in use but a bigger image. Provide more health promotions lectures a month on different topics and make these available via the website. Create awareness about early cancer detection 	Receptionists/Wilma	On-going from Last year	
7	Patient access	Encourage more online engagement with patients	As part of Network Improvement scheme (NIS) commissioning development scheme, we are required to achieve 5% actual bookings for online appointments or increase online bookings by 2% (whichever is highest)	Receptionist	31 st March 2014	

Survey Result

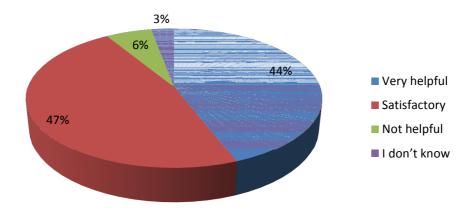
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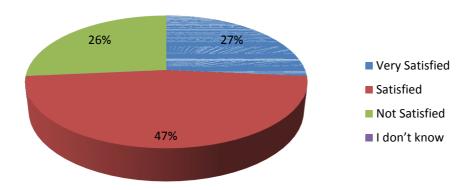
How many days of calling did it take you to get an appointment?



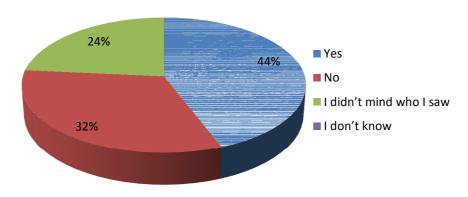
How helpful were the reception staffs?



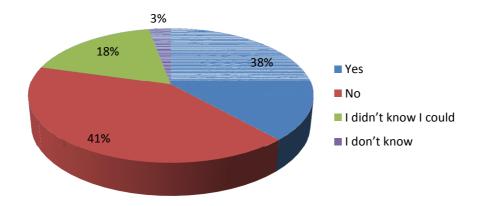
How satisfied were you with the day and time arranged for your appointment?



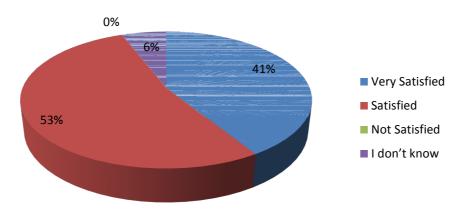
If you wanted to see a specific doctor or nurse, was this possible?



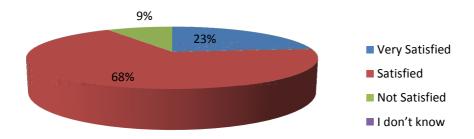
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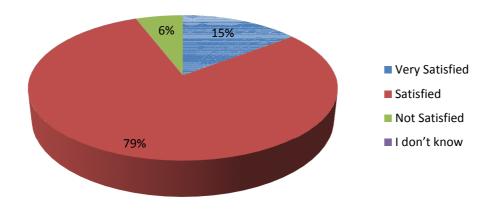
How satisfied are you with access to the surgery building?



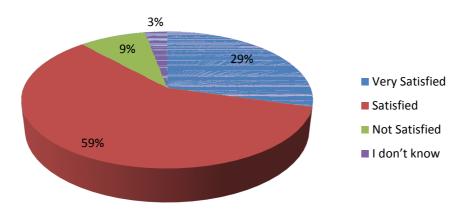
How satisfied are you with the surgery's current opening hours?



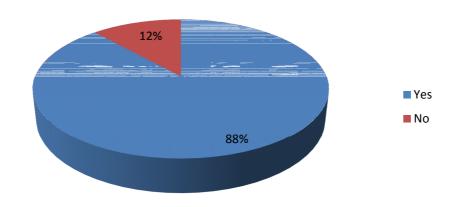
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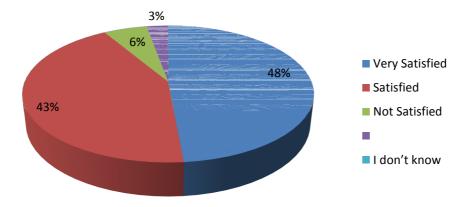
How satisfied were you with the quality of your consultation?



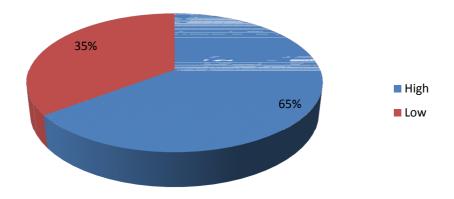
Do you feel you had enough time for your appointment today?



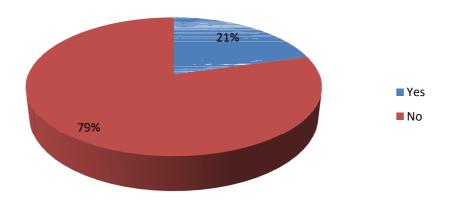
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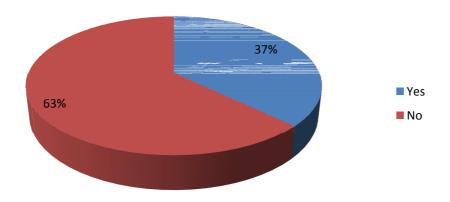
What is you level of awareness for cancer screening – early cancer detection?



Awareness about Practices's educational events for health programmes



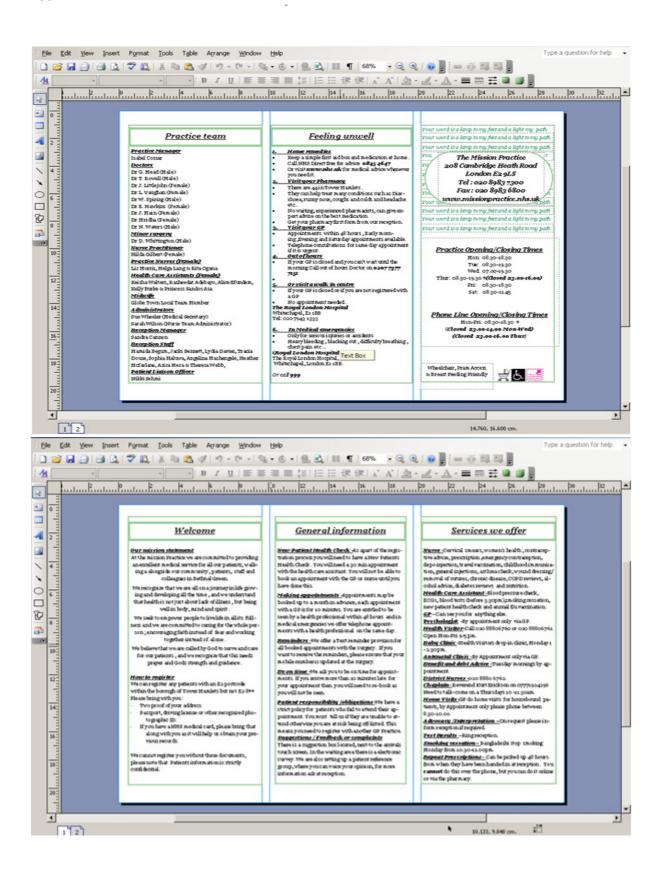
Did you know you can book an appointment with a nurse or doctor online using our website



Demographic Information of Respondents.

Q19	Are you	Male			Female				I don't want to answer				
			25%		75%			%		0%	ó		
Q20	How old are you?	0-16	17-24		25-35		36-49			50-65	Over 65		
		0%	18%		35%	%	2	.9%		9%	9%		
Q21	Do you have any long-standing illness,		Yes						No				
	disability or infirmity?*		75%					25%					
Q22	Which ethnic group do you belong to?	White	Black or Bl			ian or Asian British		Mixed		Mixed Chine		Chinese	Other Ethnic
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		45%	10%		35%	%	2%			0%	8%		
Q23	Which of the following best describes you?	Employed (full or part time, inc. self- employed)	Unemployed and looking for work	At so	ull time long		able to Looking k due to g term famil		ne/	Retired	Other		
		20%	22%		4%	0	%	2%		47%	13%		

Appendix B - Practice Leaflet



PRACTICE OPENING HOURS AND ACCESS

Practice Opening/Closing Times

Mon: 08.30-18.30 Tue: 08.30-18.30 Wed: 08.30-18.30

Thur: 08.30-13.00 *(Closed: 13.00 Onwards)

Fri: 08.30-18.30

Phone Line Opening/Closing Times

Mon-Fri: 08.30-18.30 *

(Closed: 13.00-14.00 Mon, Tues, Wed) (Closed: 13.00 Onwards on Thursday)

Patients can access services in our core hours, via reception. There is also information on our website. We are currently reviewing what services are available. When the practice is closed patients are able to book appointments via our automated telephone system or they have the option to be forwarded to our out- of- hour's service. We have outlined in the practice leaflet these processes, depending on the circumstances of the patient's complaint of what to do when feeling unwell. A leaflet called 'Get the right treatment' is available in the practice. (Please refer appendix B to view a copy of our practice leaflet, please note that there has been recent changes to practice access – see update above)

Extended Hours

Practice is required to provide details of any extended hours provided and details of the access to healthcare professionals during this period.

The practice extended hours

Sat: 08.30-12.30

Patients can gain access to healthcare professionals during extended hours by booking an appointment with our reception team or throughout the automated telephone system.

Patients' comments

- 'I would like to be able to book appointments more than 1 month in advance'
- "Perhaps extended hours in the morning as it was in the past"
- I am a new patient in the surgery and found this practice to be excellent and professional. I am extremely pleased I chose the practice
- I would like the test results to come more faster
- Waiting to be seen by a doctor is really bad and there is no day appointment
- Sometimes very hard to get through on the phone
- I have been coming to this surgery for many years and it has steadily improved a whole lot over the years
- I have been a patient for many years as were my parents and it has always been very good. We have had excellent service over the years
- I am very happy with the doctors and staff
- We are happy with the practice and get appointments when we want them
- 'Some late appointments would be good'
- 'The practice could not have helped me or my family more'
- Chairs could do with a clean or replacing and also some good magazines
- Have seen 4X doctors (all different) about on-going cough and took 4th one to suggest some tests. All seemed unworried & that it wasn't worth checking on despite it going for 8 months I'm healthy and never smoked.
- Patients get rushed when being seen by a doctor but most doctors gives time to understand
- I would like the practice to introduce sexual health clinic, walk-in clinic and also equip the waiting area with recent magazines.

Practice Declaration

The Practice confirms that the above report is a true and accurate reflection of the work undertaken as part of the Participation DES 2013/14.

Signed and submitted to the PCT on or before 31 March 2014 and published on the Practice website.