

Care Quality Commission

Inspection Evidence Table

Park Edge Practice (1-565698061)

Inspection date: 7 December 2018

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Overall rating: Good

Please note: Any Quality Outcomes Framework (QOF) data relates to 2017/18.

Safe

Rating: Good

Safety systems and processes

The practice had clear systems, practices and processes to keep people safe and safeguarded from abuse.

Safeguarding	Y/N/Partial
There was a lead member of staff for safeguarding processes and procedures.	Yes
Safeguarding systems, processes and practices were developed, implemented and communicated to staff.	Yes
Policies were in place covering adult and child safeguarding.	Yes
Policies took account of patients accessing any online services.	Yes
Policies and procedures were monitored, reviewed and updated.	Yes
Policies were accessible to all staff.	Yes
Partners and staff were trained to appropriate levels for their role (for example, level three for GPs, including locum GPs).	Yes
There was active and appropriate engagement in local safeguarding processes.	Yes
Systems were in place to identify vulnerable patients on record.	Yes
There was a risk register of specific patients.	Yes
Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) checks were undertaken where required.	Yes
Staff who acted as chaperones were trained for their role.	Yes
There were regular discussions between the practice and other health and social care professionals such as health visitors, school nurses, community midwives and social workers. to support and protect adults and children at risk of significant harm.	Yes

Safeguarding	Y/N/Partial
Explanation of any answers and additional evidence: N/A	

Recruitment systems	Y/N/Partial
Recruitment checks were carried out in accordance with regulations (including for agency staff and locums).	Yes
Staff vaccination was maintained in line with current Public Health England (PHE) guidance and if relevant to role.	Yes
Systems were in place to ensure the registration of clinical staff (including nurses and pharmacists) was checked and regularly monitored.	Yes
Staff who required medical indemnity insurance had it in place.	Yes

Safety systems and records	Y/N/Partial
There was a record of portable appliance testing or visual inspection by a competent person. Date of last inspection/test: 12/06/18	Yes
There was a record of equipment calibration. Date of last calibration: 20/03/18	Yes
Risk assessments were in place for any storage of hazardous substances for example, liquid nitrogen, storage of chemicals.	Yes
There was a fire procedure in place.	Yes
There was a record of fire extinguisher checks. Date of last check: 02/18	Yes
There was a log of fire drills. Date of last drill: 12/18	Yes
There was a record of fire alarm checks. Date of last check: 04/12/2018	Yes
There was a record of fire training for staff. Date of last training: 01/17	Yes
There were fire marshals in place.	Yes
A fire risk assessment had been completed. Date of completion: 12/18 and reviewed monthly	Yes
Actions from fire risk assessment were identified and completed.	Yes
<p>Explanation of any answers and additional evidence: The provider had undertaken a wide range of comprehensive risk assessment activity.</p> <p>However, the premises electrical installation condition (fixed-wire) report had last been undertaken in October 2013 and was subsequently slightly overdue for review. The provider immediately made arrangements for this to be undertaken and evidence was sent to us following the inspection confirming this.</p> <p>Most staff had undertaken e-learning fire safety modules in the last year. A further face to face fire awareness session was planned for February 2019.</p>	

Health and safety	Y/N/Partial
Premises/security risk assessment had been carried out. Date of last assessment: 12/18 and repeated monthly	Yes
Health and safety risk assessments had been carried out and appropriate actions taken. Date of last assessment: 12/18 and repeated monthly	Yes
Explanation of any answers and additional evidence: N/A	

Infection prevention and control

Appropriate standards of cleanliness and hygiene were met.

	Y/N/Partial
An infection risk assessment and policy were in place.	Yes
Staff had received effective training on infection prevention and control.	Yes
Date of last infection prevention and control audit: 12/18 and carried out on a monthly basis.	Yes
The practice had acted on any issues identified in infection prevention and control audits.	Yes
The arrangements for managing waste and clinical specimens kept people safe.	Yes
Explanation of any answers and additional evidence: N/A	

Risks to patients

There were adequate systems to assess, monitor and manage risks to patient safety.

	Y/N/Partial
There was an effective approach to managing staff absences and busy periods.	Yes
There was an effective induction system for temporary staff tailored to their role.	Yes
Comprehensive risk assessments were carried out for patients.	Yes
Risk management plans for patients were developed in line with national guidance.	Yes
Panic alarms were fitted and administrative staff understood how to respond to the alarm and the location of emergency equipment.	Yes
Clinicians knew how to identify and manage patients with severe infections including sepsis.	Yes
Receptionists were aware of actions to take if they encountered a deteriorating or acutely unwell patient and had been given guidance on identifying such patients.	Yes
There was a process in the practice for urgent clinical review of such patients.	Yes
There was equipment available to enable assessment of patients with presumed sepsis or other clinical emergency.	Yes
There were systems in place to enable the assessment of patients with presumed sepsis in line with National Institute for Health and Care Excellence (NICE) guidance.	Yes
When there were changes to services or staff the practice assessed and monitored the impact on safety.	Yes
Explanation of any answers and additional evidence:	

The provider had sepsis awareness literature on display in reception and a training session for recognising symptoms of sepsis had been booked for non-clinical staff in addition to using the care navigation template.

Information to deliver safe care and treatment

Staff had the information they needed to deliver safe care and treatment.

	Y/N/Partial
Individual care records, including clinical data, were written and managed securely and in line with current guidance and relevant legislation.	Yes
There was a system for processing information relating to new patients including the summarising of new patient notes.	Yes
There were systems for sharing information with staff and other agencies to enable them to deliver safe care and treatment.	Yes
Referral letters contained specific information to allow appropriate and timely referrals.	Yes
Referrals to specialist services were documented.	Yes
There was a system to monitor delays in referrals.	Yes
There was a documented approach to the management of test results and this was managed in a timely manner.	Yes
The practice demonstrated that when patients use multiple services, all the information needed for their ongoing care was shared appropriately and in line with relevant protocols.	Yes
<p>Explanation of any answers and additional evidence:</p> <p>We saw that the practice summarised records within an eight-week timeframe and had a dedicated and trained member of staff to undertake this role.</p> <p>A recent incident relating to a delay in a GP making a referral was treated as a significant event and discussed with the clinician concerned to prevent a recurrence. The patient's treatment was not affected as a result.</p>	

Appropriate and safe use of medicines

The practice had systems for the appropriate and safe use of medicines, including medicines optimisation

Indicator	Practice	CCG average	England average	England comparison
Number of antibacterial prescription items prescribed per Specific Therapeutic group Age-sex Related Prescribing Unit (STAR PU) (01/10/2017 to 30/09/2018) NHS Business Service Authority - (NHSBSA)	0.86	0.92	0.94	No statistical variation
The number of prescription items for co-amoxiclav, cephalosporins and quinolones as a percentage of the total number of prescription items for selected antibacterial drugs (BNF 5.1 sub-set). (01/10/2017 to 30/09/2018) (NHSBSA)	4.9%	6.1%	8.7%	No statistical variation

Medicines management	Y/N/Partial
The practice ensured medicines were stored safely and securely with access restricted to authorised staff.	Yes
Blank prescriptions were kept securely and their use monitored in line with national guidance.	Yes
Staff had the appropriate authorisations in place to administer medicines (including Patient Group Directions or Patient Specific Directions).	Yes
The practice could demonstrate the prescribing competence of non-medical prescribers, and there was regular review of their prescribing practice supported by clinical supervision or peer review.	Yes
There was a process in place for the safe handling of requests for repeat medicines and evidence of structured medicines reviews for patients on repeat medicines.	Yes
The practice had a process and clear audit trail for the management of information about changes to a patient's medicines including changes made by other services.	Yes
There was a process for monitoring patients' health in relation to the use of medicines including high risk medicines (for example, warfarin, methotrexate and lithium) with appropriate monitoring and clinical review prior to prescribing.	Yes
The practice monitored the prescribing of controlled drugs. (For example, investigation of unusual prescribing, quantities, dose, formulations and strength).	Yes
There were arrangements for raising concerns around controlled drugs with the NHS England Area Team Controlled Drugs Accountable Officer.	Yes
If the practice had controlled drugs on the premises there were appropriate systems and written procedures in place for the safe ordering, receipt, storage, administration, balance	N/A

Medicines management	Y/N/Partial
checks and disposal of these medicines, which were in line with national guidance.	
The practice had taken steps to ensure appropriate antimicrobial use to optimise patient outcomes and reduce the risk of adverse events and antimicrobial resistance.	Yes
For remote or online prescribing there were effective protocols in place for verifying patient identity.	N/A
The practice held appropriate emergency medicines, risk assessments were in place to determine the range of medicines held, and a system was in place to monitor stock levels and expiry dates.	Yes
The practice had arrangements to monitor the stock levels and expiry dates of emergency medicines/medical gases.	Yes
There was medical oxygen and a defibrillator on site and systems were in place to ensure these were regularly checked and fit for use.	Yes
Vaccines were appropriately stored, monitored and transported in line with PHE guidance to ensure they remained safe and effective.	Yes

Track record on safety and lessons learned and improvements made

The practice learned and made improvements when things went wrong.

Significant events	Y/N/Partial
The practice monitored and reviewed safety using information from a variety of sources.	Yes
Staff knew how to identify and report concerns, safety incidents and near misses.	Yes
There was a system for recording and acting on significant events.	Yes
Staff understood how to raise concerns and report incidents both internally and externally.	Yes
There was evidence of learning and dissemination of information.	Yes
Number of events recorded in last 12 months:	13
Number of events that required action:	13
Explanation of any answers and additional evidence: There was an effective system for the recording of events and the benefits of this approach were understood by all staff.	

Examples of significant events recorded and actions by the practice.

Event	Specific action taken
Allergy status not updated and medication prescribed that was inappropriate.	Error was spotted and no harm came to patient. Evidence seen that this was reviewed and appropriate steps taken to the reduce likelihood of a recurrence.
Clinical sample was mislabelled and the patient who submitted sample could not be identified.	Practice have reviewed their protocol of accepting and labelling clinical samples from patients to reduce the likelihood of a recurrence.

Safety alerts	Y/N/Partial
There was a system for recording and acting on safety alerts.	Yes
Staff understood how to deal with alerts.	Yes

Effective

Rating: Good

Effective needs assessment, care and treatment

Patients' needs were assessed, and care and treatment was delivered in line with current legislation, standards and evidence-based guidance supported by clear pathways and tools.

	Y/N/Partial
The practice had systems and processes to keep clinicians up to date with current evidence-based practice.	Yes
Patients' immediate and ongoing needs were fully assessed. This included their clinical needs and their mental and physical wellbeing.	Yes
We saw no evidence of discrimination when staff made care and treatment decisions.	Yes
Patients' treatment was regularly reviewed and updated.	Yes
Appropriate referral pathways were in place to make sure that patients' needs were addressed.	Yes
Patients were told when they needed to seek further help and what to do if their condition deteriorated.	Yes
Explanation of any answers and additional evidence: N/A	

Prescribing	Practice performance	CCG average	England average	England comparison
Average daily quantity of Hypnotics prescribed per Specific Therapeutic group Age-sex Related Prescribing Unit (STAR PU) (01/10/2017 to 30/09/2018) (NHSBSA)	0.41	0.65	0.81	No statistical variation

Older people

Population group rating: Good

Findings
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The practice used a clinical tool to identify older patients who were living with moderate or severe frailty. Those identified received a full assessment of their physical, mental and social needs. The practice followed up on older patients discharged from hospital. It ensured that their care plans and prescriptions were updated to reflect any extra or changed needs. The practice visited patients resident in local care homes on a planned and as required basis. Staff had appropriate knowledge of treating older people including their psychological, mental health and communication needs. Health checks were offered to patients over 75 years of age.

People with long-term conditions

Population group rating: **Good**

Findings

- Patients with long-term conditions had a structured annual review to check their health and medicines needs were being met. For patients with the most complex needs, the GP worked with other health and care professionals to deliver a coordinated package of care.
- The provider had developed a policy on the integrity of exception reporting and ensured that coding was appropriately reviewed and that patients were effectively invited to attend for screening and appointments.
- Staff who were responsible for reviews of patients with long-term conditions had received specific training.
- GPs followed up patients who had received treatment in hospital or through out of hours services for an acute exacerbation of asthma.
- The practice could demonstrate how they identified patients with commonly undiagnosed conditions, for example diabetes, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), atrial fibrillation and hypertension.
- Adults with newly diagnosed cardio-vascular disease were offered statins.
- Patients with suspected hypertension were offered ambulatory blood pressure monitoring.
- Patients with atrial fibrillation were assessed for the risk of a stroke and treated appropriately.

Diabetes Indicators	Practice	CCG average	England average	England comparison
The percentage of patients with diabetes, on the register, in whom the last IFCC-HbA1c is 64 mmol/mol or less in the preceding 12 months (01/04/2017 to 31/03/2018) <small>(QOF)</small>	85.5%	78.6%	78.8%	No statistical variation
Exception rate (number of exceptions).	21.2% (65)	14.1%	13.2%	N/A
The percentage of patients with diabetes, on the register, in whom the last blood pressure reading (measured in the preceding 12 months) is 140/80 mmHg or less (01/04/2017 to 31/03/2018) <small>(QOF)</small>	89.0%	76.6%	77.7%	No statistical variation
Exception rate (number of exceptions).	8.5% (26)	10.6%	9.8%	N/A

	Practice	CCG average	England average	England comparison
The percentage of patients with diabetes, on the register, whose last measured total cholesterol (measured within the preceding 12 months) is 5 mmol/l or less (01/04/2017 to 31/03/2018) (QOF)	80.7%	78.1%	80.1%	No statistical variation
Exception rate (number of exceptions).	15.6% (48)	15.1%	13.5%	N/A

Other long-term conditions	Practice	CCG average	England average	England comparison
The percentage of patients with asthma, on the register, who have had an asthma review in the preceding 12 months that includes an assessment of asthma control using the 3 RCP questions, NICE 2011 menu ID: NM23 (01/04/2017 to 31/03/2018) (QOF)	88.0%	76.6%	76.0%	Variation (positive)
Exception rate (number of exceptions).	21.5% (73)	7.5%	7.7%	N/A
The percentage of patients with COPD who have had a review, undertaken by a healthcare professional, including an assessment of breathlessness using the Medical Research Council dyspnoea scale in the preceding 12 months (01/04/2017 to 31/03/2018) (QOF)	97.1%	89.1%	89.7%	Variation (positive)
Exception rate (number of exceptions).	15.4% (25)	9.7%	11.5%	N/A

Indicator	Practice	CCG average	England average	England comparison
The percentage of patients with hypertension in whom the last blood pressure reading measured in the preceding 12 months is 150/90mmHg or less (01/04/2017 to 31/03/2018) (QoF)	89.1%	83.0%	82.6%	No statistical variation
Exception rate (number of exceptions).	5.6% (43)	4.7%	4.2%	N/A
In those patients with atrial fibrillation with a record of a CHA2DS2-VASc score of 2 or more, the percentage of patients who are currently treated with anti-coagulation drug therapy (01/04/2017 to 31/03/2018) (QoF)	94.9%	90.8%	90.0%	No statistical variation
Exception rate (number of exceptions).	15.2% (14)	9.8%	6.7%	N/A

Families, children and young people

Population group rating: **Good**

Findings

- Childhood immunisation uptake rates were lower than the World Health Organisation (WHO) targets. However, the practice proactively contacted families and encouraged them to attend for immunisations.
- The practice had arrangements to identify and review the treatment of newly pregnant women on long-term medicines. These patients were provided with advice and post-natal support in accordance with best practice guidance.
- The practice had arrangements for following up failed attendance of children's appointments following an appointment in secondary care or for immunisation and would liaise with health visitors when necessary.
- Young people could access services for sexual health and contraception and were encouraged to make up any gaps in their childhood vaccinations if appropriate.

Child Immunisation	Numerator	Denominator	Practice %	Comparison to WHO target
The percentage of children aged 1 who have completed a primary course of immunisation for Diphtheria, Tetanus, Polio, Pertussis, Haemophilus influenzae type b (Hib)(i.e. three doses of DTaP/IPV/Hib) (01/04/2017 to 31/03/2018)(NHS England)	65	68	95.6%	Met 95% WHO based target (significant variation positive)
The percentage of children aged 2 who have received their booster immunisation for Pneumococcal infection (i.e. received Pneumococcal booster) (PCV booster) (01/04/2017 to 31/03/2018) (NHS England)	50	58	86.2%	Below 90% minimum (variation negative)
The percentage of children aged 2 who have received their immunisation for Haemophilus influenzae type b (Hib) and Meningitis C (MenC) (i.e. received Hib/MenC booster) (01/04/2017 to 31/03/2018) (NHS England)	50	58	86.2%	Below 90% minimum (variation negative)
The percentage of children aged 2 who have received immunisation for measles, mumps and rubella (one dose of MMR) (01/04/2017 to 31/03/2018) (NHS England)	51	58	87.9%	Below 90% minimum (variation negative)

Any additional evidence or comments

The provider continued to contact families who had not attended for immunisations and had held a 'fun day' to encourage increased uptake.

Working age people (including those recently retired and students)

Population group rating: **Good**

Findings

- The practice had systems to inform eligible patients to have the meningitis vaccine, for example before attending university for the first time.
- Patients had access to appropriate health assessments and checks including NHS checks for patients aged 40 to 74. There was appropriate and timely follow-up on the outcome of health assessments and checks where abnormalities or risk factors were identified.
- Patients could book or cancel appointments online and order repeat medication without the need to attend the surgery.

Cancer Indicators	Practice	CCG average	England average	England comparison
The percentage of women eligible for cervical cancer screening at a given point in time who were screened adequately within a specified period (within 3.5 years for women aged 25 to 49, and within 5.5 years for women aged 50 to 64) (01/04/2016 to 31/03/2017) (Public Health England)	67.8%	74.1%	72.1%	No statistical variation
Females, 50-70, screened for breast cancer in last 36 months (3 year coverage, %) (PHE)	73.5%	68.2%	70.3%	N/A
Persons, 60-69, screened for bowel cancer in last 30 months (2.5 year coverage, %)(PHE)	64.1%	56.4%	54.6%	N/A
The percentage of patients with cancer, diagnosed within the preceding 15 months, who have a patient review recorded as occurring within 6 months of the date of diagnosis. (PHE)	82.1%	67.3%	71.3%	N/A
Number of new cancer cases treated (Detection rate: % of which resulted from a two week wait (TWW) referral) (01/04/2016 to 31/03/2017) (PHE)	58.3%	48.7%	51.6%	No statistical variation

People whose circumstances make them vulnerable

Population group rating: Good

Findings

- End of life care was delivered in a coordinated way which took into account the needs of those whose circumstances may make them vulnerable.
- The practice held a register of patients living in vulnerable circumstances including carers and those with a learning disability.
- The practice had a system for vaccinating patients with an underlying medical condition according to the recommended schedule.
- The practice demonstrated that they had a system to identify people who misused substances.

People experiencing poor mental health (including people with dementia)

Population group rating: Good

Findings

- The practice assessed and monitored the physical health of people with mental illness, severe mental illness, and personality disorder by providing access to health checks, interventions for physical activity, obesity, diabetes, heart disease, cancer and access to 'stop smoking' services.
- There was a system for following up patients who failed to attend for administration of long-term medication.
- When patients were assessed to be at risk of suicide or self-harm the practice had arrangements in

place to help them to remain safe.

- Patients at risk of dementia were identified and offered an assessment to detect possible signs of dementia. When dementia was suspected there was an appropriate referral for diagnosis.
- Staff had received dementia training and the provider was accredited with being 'dementia friendly'.

Mental Health Indicators	Practice	CCG average	England average	England comparison
The percentage of patients with schizophrenia, bipolar affective disorder and other psychoses who have a comprehensive, agreed care plan documented in the record, in the preceding 12 months (01/04/2017 to 31/03/2018) (QOF)	100.0%	88.3%	89.5%	Variation (positive)
Exception rate (number of exceptions).	26.7% (16)	10.9%	12.7%	N/A
The percentage of patients with schizophrenia, bipolar affective disorder and other psychoses whose alcohol consumption has been recorded in the preceding 12 months (01/04/2017 to 31/03/2018) (QOF)	97.7%	89.0%	90.0%	No statistical variation
Exception rate (number of exceptions).	28.3% (17)	10.0%	10.5%	N/A
The percentage of patients diagnosed with dementia whose care plan has been reviewed in a face-to-face review in the preceding 12 months (01/04/2017 to 31/03/2018) (QOF)	84.2%	84.3%	83.0%	No statistical variation
Exception rate (number of exceptions).	7.3% (6)	6.1%	6.6%	N/A

Any additional evidence or comments

The provider had developed a policy on the integrity of exception reporting and ensured that coding was appropriately reviewed and that patients were effectively invited to attend for screening and appointments.

Monitoring care and treatment

The practice had a comprehensive programme of quality improvement activity and routinely reviewed the effectiveness and appropriateness of the care provided.

Indicator	Practice	CCG average	England average
Overall QOF score (out of maximum 559)	552.54	-	537.5
Overall QOF exception reporting (all domains)	7.3%	5.5%	5.8%

	Y/N/Partial
Clinicians took part in national and local quality improvement initiatives.	Yes
The practice had a comprehensive programme of quality improvement and used	Yes

information about care and treatment to make improvements.	
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Examples of improvements demonstrated because of clinical audits or other improvement activity in past two years

The provider had implemented an IT audit tool to gather enhanced clinical data about patients. This was used to identify those at risk of complications or were potentially suffering from undiagnosed conditions. For example, smokers who may be at risk of Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD) and people who may be experiencing Atrial Fibrillation (AF).

The provider effectively used this data to screen patients and follow them up for further investigations. The provider undertook a range of pharmacy audits in line with Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) protocols including the review of pain medication and antibiotic prescribing.

Effective staffing

The practice was able to demonstrate that staff had the skills, knowledge and experience to carry out their roles.

	Y/N/Partial
Staff had the skills, knowledge and experience to deliver effective care, support and treatment. This included specific training for nurses on immunisation and on sample taking for the cervical screening programme.	Yes
The learning and development needs of staff were assessed.	Yes
The practice had a programme of learning and development.	Yes
Staff had protected time for learning and development.	Yes
There was an induction programme for new staff. This included completion of the Care Certificate for Health Care Assistants employed since April 2015.	Yes
Staff had access to regular appraisals, one to ones, coaching and mentoring, clinical supervision and revalidation. They were supported to meet the requirements of professional revalidation.	Yes
The practice could demonstrate how they assured the competence of staff employed in advanced clinical practice, for example, nurses, paramedics, pharmacists and physician associates.	Yes
There was a clear and appropriate approach for supporting and managing staff when their performance was poor or variable.	Yes
For patients who accessed the practice's digital service there were clear and effective processes to make referrals to other services.	N/A

Coordinating care and treatment

Staff worked together and with other organisations to deliver effective care and treatment.

Indicator	Y/N/Partial
The contractor has regular (at least 3 monthly) multidisciplinary case review meetings where all patients on the palliative care register are discussed (01/04/2017 to 31/03/2018) (QOF)	Yes
We saw records that showed that all appropriate staff, including those in different teams and organisations, were involved in assessing, planning and delivering care and treatment.	Yes
Care was delivered and reviewed in a coordinated way when different teams, services or organisations were involved.	Yes
Patients received consistent, coordinated, person-centred care when they moved between services.	Yes

Helping patients to live healthier lives

Staff were consistent and proactive in helping patients to live healthier lives.

	Y/N/Partial
The practice identified patients who may need extra support and directed them to relevant services. This included patients in the last 12 months of their lives, patients at risk of developing a long-term condition and carers.	Yes
Staff encouraged and supported patients to be involved in monitoring and managing their own health.	Yes
Staff discussed changes to care or treatment with patients and their carers as necessary.	Yes
The practice supported national priorities and initiatives to improve the population's health, for example, stop smoking campaigns, tackling obesity.	Yes

Smoking Indicator	Practice	CCG average	England average	England comparison
The percentage of patients with any or any combination of the following conditions: CHD, PAD, stroke or TIA, hypertension, diabetes, COPD, CKD, asthma, schizophrenia, bipolar affective disorder or other psychoses whose notes record smoking status in the preceding 12 months (01/04/2017 to 31/03/2018) (QOF)	96.2%	95.0%	95.1%	No statistical variation
Exception rate (number of exceptions).	0.7% (10)	0.8%	0.8%	N/A

Consent to care and treatment

The practice obtained consent to care and treatment in line with legislation and guidance.

	Y/N/Partial
Clinicians understood the requirements of legislation and guidance when considering consent and decision making. We saw that consent was documented.	Yes
Clinicians supported patients to make decisions. Where appropriate, they assessed and recorded a patient's mental capacity to make a decision.	Yes
The practice monitored the process for seeking consent appropriately.	Yes

Caring

Rating: Good

Kindness, respect and compassion

Staff treated patients with kindness, respect and compassion. Feedback from patients was positive about the way staff treated people.

	Y/N/Partial
Staff understood and respected the personal, cultural, social and religious needs of patients.	Yes
Patients were given appropriate and timely information to cope emotionally with their care, treatment or condition.	Yes

CQC comments cards	
Total comments cards received.	7
Number of CQC comments received which were positive about the service.	5
Number of comments cards received which were mixed about the service.	1
Number of CQC comments received which were negative about the service.	1

Source	Feedback
Comment cards	Patients told us that they found clinical and reception staff kind, flexible and helpful. Most people described the service as excellent. However, there were two comments that felt that services were inconsistent, in both appointment access and clinical care.
Patient interviews	We spoke with two patients, both were highly positive about care and the level of service received at the location.

National GP Survey results

Note: The questions in the 2018 GP Survey indicators have changed. Ipsos MORI have advised that the new survey data must not be directly compared to the past survey data, because the survey methodology changed in 2018.

Practice population size	Surveys sent out	Surveys returned	Survey Response rate%	% of practice population
5637	304	102	33.6%	1.81%

Indicator	Practice	CCG average	England average	England comparison
The percentage of respondents to the GP patient survey who stated that the last time they had a general practice appointment, the healthcare professional was good or very good at listening to them (01/01/2018 to 31/03/2018)	81.0%	89.5%	89.0%	No statistical variation
The percentage of respondents to the GP patient survey who stated that the last time they had a general practice appointment, the healthcare professional was good or very good at treating them with care and concern (01/01/2018 to 31/03/2018)	84.1%	88.0%	87.4%	No statistical variation
The percentage of respondents to the GP patient survey who stated that during their last GP appointment they had confidence and trust in the healthcare professional they saw or spoke to (01/01/2018 to 31/03/2018)	87.9%	95.4%	95.6%	No statistical variation
The percentage of respondents to the GP patient survey who responded positively to the overall experience of their GP practice (01/01/2018 to 31/03/2018)	73.8%	85.0%	83.8%	No statistical variation

Question	Y/N
The practice carries out its own patient survey/patient feedback exercises.	Yes

Any additional evidence
<p>The practice's own patient survey found high levels of patient satisfaction that matched or exceeded the results of the national patient survey in the majority of areas.</p> <p>The provider showed us evidence of an action plan to maintain and exceed these above average scores. For example, by implementing the care navigation scheme and undertaking staff training to promote high levels of service by reception staff.</p> <p>There were two areas where the in-house survey had produced lower than average results. This was in-surgery waiting times for a booked appointment and access to a preferred GP. As a result, clinicians were encouraged to maintain clinics on schedule whenever clinically appropriate and changes had been made to enable patients to book routine appointments with a preferred GP more easily.</p>

Involvement in decisions about care and treatment

Staff helped patients to be involved in decisions about care and treatment.

	Y/N/Partial
Staff communicated with patients in a way that helped them to understand their care, treatment and condition, and any advice given.	Yes
Staff helped patients and their carers find further information and access community and	Yes

advocacy services.	
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Source	Feedback
Interviews with patients.	Patients we spoke with confirmed that staff involved them in treatment decisions.

National GP Survey results

Indicator	Practice	CCG average	England average	England comparison
The percentage of respondents to the GP patient survey who stated that during their last GP appointment they were involved as much as they wanted to be in decisions about their care and treatment (01/01/2018 to 31/03/2018)	90.9%	93.9%	93.5%	No statistical variation

	Y/N/Partial
Interpretation services were available for patients who did not have English as a first language.	Yes
Patient information leaflets and notices were available in the patient waiting area which told patients how to access support groups and organisations.	Yes
Information leaflets were available in other languages and in easy read format.	Yes
Information about support groups was available on the practice website.	Yes

Carers	Narrative
Percentage and number of carers identified.	The practice had identified 106 carers and maintained a carers register. This was equal to 2% of the practice population.
How the practice supported carers.	There was carers support information available in the reception area. Extended hours appointments were offered to carers along with flu vaccinations.
How the practice supported recently bereaved patients.	Reception staff signposted patients to appropriate support agencies. The provider told us of several examples where bereaved patients were compassionately supported.

Privacy and dignity

The practice respected / did not always respect patients' privacy and dignity.

	Y/N/Partial
Curtains were provided in consulting rooms to maintain patients' privacy and dignity during examinations, investigations and treatments.	Yes
Consultation and treatment room doors were closed during consultations.	Yes
A private room was available if patients were distressed or wanted to discuss sensitive issues.	Yes
There were arrangements to ensure confidentiality at the reception desk.	Yes

Responsive

Rating: Good

Responding to and meeting people's needs

The practice organised and delivered services to meet patients' needs.

	Y/N/Partial
The importance of flexibility, informed choice and continuity of care was reflected in the services provided.	Yes
The facilities and premises were appropriate for the services being delivered.	Yes
The practice made reasonable adjustments when patients found it hard to access services.	Yes
The practice provided effective care coordination for patients who were more vulnerable or who had complex needs. They supported them to access services both within and outside the practice.	Yes
Care and treatment for patients with multiple long-term conditions and patients approaching the end of life was coordinated with other services.	Yes

Practice Opening Times	
Day	Time
Opening times:	
Monday	8am to 6.30pm
Tuesday	8am to 7.30pm (11.45am to 1.15pm phones only)
Wednesday	7am to 6.30pm
Thursday	8am to 6.30pm
Friday	8am to 6.30pm
	In addition, a range of GP appointments are available at a local hub 6.30-8.30pm Monday to Friday. Saturday 8am to 2pm and Sunday 8am to 12pm. Availability is shared with other local providers.
Appointments available:	
Monday - Friday	Throughout the day.

National GP Survey results

Practice population size	Surveys sent out	Surveys returned	Survey Response rate%	% of practice population
5637	304	102	33.6%	1.81%

Indicator	Practice	CCG average	England average	England comparison
The percentage of respondents to the GP patient survey who stated that at their last general practice appointment, their needs were met (01/01/2018 to 31/03/2018)	93.2%	95.3%	94.8%	No statistical variation

Older people

Population group rating: **Good**

Findings

- All patients had a named GP who supported them in whatever setting they lived. We saw that patients who were resident in two local care homes received regular visits and support from the clinicians at the practice.
- The practice was responsive to the needs of older patients, and offered home visits and urgent appointments for those with enhanced needs and complex medical issues.
- Patients were referred to the local Home Visiting service when appropriate with a view to reducing unplanned hospital admissions.

People with long-term conditions

Population group rating: **Good**

Findings

- Patients with multiple conditions had their needs reviewed in one appointment, whenever possible and were invited to an annual review or sooner if clinically appropriate.
- The practice liaised regularly with the local district nursing team and community matrons to discuss and manage the needs of patients with complex medical issues.
- Housebound patients requiring regular blood tests could be referred to the city-wide home phlebotomy service.
- Care and treatment for people with long-term conditions approaching the end of life was well coordinated with other services.

Families, children and young people

Population group rating: Good

Findings

- We found there were systems to identify and follow up children living in disadvantaged circumstances and who were at risk, for example, children and young people who had a high number of accident and emergency (A&E) attendances. Records we looked at confirmed this.
- All parents or guardians calling with concerns about a child were offered a same day appointment when necessary. We saw that there was an effective triage system in place and that staff had been trained in the appropriate care navigation protocols.
- Parents were actively supported in vaccine uptake and young people were advised of their right to take up any missed vaccinations at the age of 16 (if previously declined by parents).
- We saw that the provider actively participated in multiagency safeguarding work across the locality.

Working age people (including those recently retired and students)

Population group rating: Good

Findings

- The needs of this population group had been identified and the practice had adjusted the services it offered to ensure these were accessible, flexible and offered continuity of care.
- The practice offered early morning appointments with the HCA and practice nurse for patients unable to attend during the usual working day.

People whose circumstances make them vulnerable

Population group rating: Good

Findings

- The practice held a register of patients living in vulnerable circumstances including carers and those with a learning disability or receiving End of Life care.
- People in vulnerable circumstances were easily able to register with the practice, including those with no fixed abode.
- The practice adjusted the delivery of its services to meet the needs of patients with a learning disability.

People experiencing poor mental health (including people with dementia)

Population group rating: Good

Findings

- Priority appointments were allocated when necessary to those experiencing poor mental health.
- Staff interviewed had a good understanding of how to support patients with mental health needs and those patients living with dementia. The practice was accredited as 'dementia friendly.'
- The practice was aware of support groups within the area and signposted their patients to these accordingly.
- Patients could access Improving Access to Psychological Therapies (IAPT) services at the location and be referred to a social prescribing scheme.

Timely access to the service

People were able to access care and treatment in a timely way.

National GP Survey results

	Y/N/Partial
Patients with urgent needs had their care prioritised.	Yes
The practice had a system to assess whether a home visit was clinically necessary and the urgency of the need for medical attention.	Yes
Appointments, care and treatment were only cancelled or delayed when absolutely necessary.	Yes

Indicator	Practice	CCG average	England average	England comparison
The percentage of respondents to the GP patient survey who responded positively to how easy it was to get through to someone at their GP practice on the phone (01/01/2018 to 31/03/2018)	47.6%	74.5%	70.3%	N/A
The percentage of respondents to the GP patient survey who responded positively to the overall experience of making an appointment (01/01/2018 to 31/03/2018)	50.2%	68.9%	68.6%	No statistical variation
The percentage of respondents to the GP patient survey who were very satisfied or fairly satisfied with their GP practice appointment times (01/01/2018 to 31/03/2018)	57.0%	67.3%	65.9%	No statistical variation
The percentage of respondents to the GP patient survey who were satisfied with the type of appointment (or appointments) they were offered (01/01/2018 to 31/03/2018)	51.1%	73.7%	74.4%	Variation (negative)

Any additional evidence or comments

The provider has reviewed the findings of the patient survey and in consultation with the patient group revised the appointment system in July 2018. This allowed patients to book routine appointments with their preferred GP more easily. Patient feedback on the revised system was positive during the inspection and will continue to be reviewed by the practice.

Source	Feedback
Patient interviews and comment cards	Patients we spoke with confirmed that they sometimes found it difficult to arrange a routine appointment in advance. However, they told us that urgent appointments were always available when required.

Listening and learning from concerns and complaints

Complaints were listened and responded to and used to improve the quality of care.

Complaints	
Number of complaints received in the last year.	10
Number of complaints we examined.	3
Number of complaints we examined that were satisfactorily handled in a timely way.	2
Number of complaints referred to the Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman.	0

	Y/N/Partial
Information about how to complain was readily available.	Yes
There was evidence that complaints were used to drive continuous improvement.	Yes
<p>Explanation of any answers and additional evidence:</p> <p>We saw evidence that all written complaints were reviewed at an annual meeting attended by the partners.</p> <p>Complaints were responded to in an open and courteous way. However, in one complaint we reviewed, not all the issues of complaint were fully addressed by the provider.</p> <p>During the inspection we discussed a range of issues relating to complaints management. Following the inspection, the provider confirmed that they would document and review all verbal complaints and ensure all issues identified in written complaints were responded to. In addition, any written complaints resolved over the telephone would be followed up in writing to confirm the outcome and that all concluding correspondence from the practice regarding a complaint would include reference to the Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman should the complainant wish to pursue their complaint further.</p>	

Example(s) of learning from complaints.

Complaint	Specific action taken
Patient did not feel listened to during consultation.	Patient was invited in to discuss concerns. These were satisfactorily resolved. The practice reflected on explaining rationale for treatment options for future consultations.
An incorrect clinical detail found in patient record by patient asking to see notes.	Patient received an apology and staff were reminded of the need to triple check the identity of patient when adding to/summarising the clinical record.

Well-led

Rating: Good

Leadership capacity and capability

There was compassionate, inclusive and effective leadership at all levels.

	Y/N/Partial
Leaders demonstrated that they understood the challenges to quality and sustainability.	Yes
They had identified the actions necessary to address these challenges.	Yes
Staff reported that leaders were visible and approachable.	Yes
There was a leadership development programme in place, including a succession plan.	Yes

Vision and strategy

The practice had a clear vision and credible strategy to provide high quality sustainable care.

	Y/N/Partial
The practice had a clear vision and set of values that prioritised quality and sustainability.	Yes
There was a realistic strategy in place to achieve their priorities.	Yes
The vision, values and strategy were developed in collaboration with staff, patients and external partners.	Yes
Staff knew and understood the vision, values and strategy and their role in achieving them.	Yes
Progress against delivery of the strategy was monitored.	Yes
Explanation of any answers and additional evidence: We saw that the strategy had been shared with the staff team and openly discussed. A business plan had been developed and an additional management role of operations manager had been recently created to deliver the strategy.	

Culture

The practice had a culture which drove high quality sustainable care

	Y/N/Partial
There were arrangements to deal with any behaviour inconsistent with the vision and values.	Yes
Staff reported that they felt able to raise concerns without fear of retribution.	Yes
There was a strong emphasis on the safety and well-being of staff.	Yes
There were systems to ensure compliance with the requirements of the duty of candour.	Yes
The practice's speaking up policies were in line with the NHS Improvement Raising Concerns (Whistleblowing) Policy.	Yes
<p>Explanation of any answers and additional evidence:</p> <p>We saw that the provider was aware of, and acted on the duty of candour. For example, a patient who received a late diagnosis was apologised to. The incident was reviewed by the practice and acted on to reduce the likelihood of a recurrence.</p>	

Examples of feedback from staff or other evidence about working at the practice

Source	Feedback
Staff interviews	Staff consistently told us that the practice was a good place to work and that they felt personally and professionally supported.

Governance arrangements

There were clear responsibilities, roles and systems of accountability to support good governance and management.

	Y/N/Partial
There were governance structures and systems in place which were regularly reviewed.	Yes
Staff were clear about their roles and responsibilities.	Yes
There were appropriate governance arrangements with third parties.	Yes

Managing risks, issues and performance

There were clear and effective processes for managing risks, issues and performance.

	Y/N/Partial
There were comprehensive assurance systems in place which were regularly reviewed and improved.	Yes
There were processes in place to manage performance.	Yes
There was a systematic programme of clinical and internal audit.	Yes
There were effective arrangements for identifying, managing and mitigating risks.	Yes
A major incident plan was in place.	Yes
Staff were trained in preparation for major incidents.	Yes
When considering service developments or changes, the impact on quality and sustainability was assessed.	Yes
Explanation of any answers and additional evidence:	
The provider had implemented an IT audit tool to gather enhanced clinical data about patients which was used to identify those at risk of complications or who were potentially suffering from undiagnosed conditions.	

Appropriate and accurate information

There was a demonstrated commitment to using data and information proactively to drive and support decision making.

	Y/N/Partial
Staff used data to adjust and improve performance.	Yes
Performance information was used to hold staff and management to account.	Yes
Our inspection indicated that information was accurate, valid, reliable and timely.	Yes
There were effective arrangements for identifying, managing and mitigating risks.	Yes
Staff whose responsibilities included making statutory notifications understood what this entails.	Yes
Explanation of any answers and additional evidence:	
We saw the effective use of in-house data and evidence that the provider engaged and benchmarked performance across other local practices.	

Engagement with patients, the public, staff and external partners

The practice involved the public, staff and external partners to sustain high quality and sustainable care.

	Y/N/Partial
Patient views were acted on to improve services and culture.	Yes
Staff views were reflected in the planning and delivery of services.	Yes
The practice worked with stakeholders to build a shared view of challenges and of the needs of the population.	Yes

Feedback from Patient Participation Group.

Feedback
We saw that there was an active patient group and that the group usually met on a monthly basis. We reviewed the notes of these meetings and saw that the senior management team openly consulted with the group and valued their input. For example, in discussing proposals to improve access to the appointment system.

Any additional evidence

N/A

Continuous improvement and innovation

There was evidence of systems and processes for learning, continuous improvement and innovation.

	Y/N/Partial
There was a strong focus on continuous learning and improvement.	Yes
Learning was shared effectively and used to make improvements.	Yes
Explanation of any answers and additional evidence: The recently implemented IT audit tool looked for any inconsistencies in the patient record. For example; a notification from secondary care regarding a hospital admission for a smoker would prompt a clinician to offer the patient screening for COPD.	

Examples of continuous learning and improvement

The provider had an effective and wide-ranging approach to capturing clinical and non-clinical incidents. We saw that these were regularly reflected on by the provider.

Clinical audit was regularly undertaken by the practice pharmacist and clinicians to ensure patients were receiving safe care. For example, checks and appropriate follow-ups were made on women of

childbearing age receiving sodium valproate following a safety alert.

Notes: CQC GP Insight

GP Insight assesses a practice's data against all the other practices in England. We assess relative performance for the majority of indicators using a "z-score" (this tells us the number of standard deviations from the mean the data point is), giving us a statistical measurement of a practice's performance in relation to the England average. We highlight practices which significantly vary from the England average (in either a positive or negative direction). We consider that z-scores which are higher than +2 or lower than -2 are at significant levels, warranting further enquiry. Using this technique we can be 95% confident that the practice's performance is genuinely different from the average. It is important to note that a number of factors can affect the Z score for a practice, for example a small denominator or the distribution of the data. This means that there will be cases where a practice's data looks quite different to the average, but still shows as no statistical variation, as we do not have enough confidence that the difference is genuine. There may also be cases where a practice's data looks similar across two indicators, but they are in different variation bands.

The percentage of practices which show variation depends on the distribution of the data for each indicator, but is typically around 10-15% of practices. The practices which are not showing significant statistical variation are labelled as no statistical variation to other practices.

N.B. Not all indicators in the evidence table are part of the GP insight set and those that aren't will not have a variation band.

The following language is used for showing variation:

	Variation Band	Z-score threshold
1	Significant variation (positive)	$Z \leq -3$
2	Variation (positive)	$-3 < Z \leq -2$
3	No statistical variation	$-2 < Z < 2$
4	Variation (negative)	$2 \leq Z < 3$
5	Significant variation (negative)	$Z \geq 3$
6	No data	Null

Note: for the following indicators the variation bands are different:

- Child Immunisation indicators. These are scored against the World Health Organisation target of 95% rather than the England average.

It is important to note that z-scores are not a judgement in themselves, but will prompt further enquiry, as part of our ongoing monitoring of GP practices.

Guidance and Frequently Asked Questions on GP Insight can be found on the following link:

<https://www.cqc.org.uk/guidance-providers/gps/how-we-monitor-gp-practices>

Glossary of terms used in the data.

- **COPD:** Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease
- **PHE:** Public Health England
- **QOF:** Quality and Outcomes Framework
- **STAR-PU:** Specific Therapeutic Group Age-sex weightings Related Prescribing Units. These weighting allow more accurate and meaningful comparisons within a specific therapeutic group by taking into account the types of people who will be receiving that treatment.