# **Care Quality Commission**

## **Inspection Evidence Table**

## **Shap Medical Practice (1-540787648)**

Inspection date: 31 January 2019

Date of data download: 24 January 2019

## **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.	Υ
Safeguarding systems, processes and practices were developed, implemented and communicated to staff.	Y
There were policies covering adult and child safeguarding.	Υ
Policies took account of patients accessing any online services.	Υ
Policies and procedures were monitored, reviewed and updated.	Y
Policies were accessible to all staff.	Υ
Partners and staff were trained to appropriate levels for their role (for example, level three for GPs, including locum GPs).	
There was active and appropriate engagement in local safeguarding processes.	
There were systems to identify vulnerable patients on record.	Υ
There was a risk register of specific patients.	Y
Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) checks were undertaken where required.	Υ
Staff who acted as chaperones were trained for their role.	Υ
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.	Y

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

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:	Y 08/11/2018
There was a record of equipment calibration.  Date of last calibration:	Y 08/11/2018
There were risk assessments for any storage of hazardous substances for example, liquid nitrogen, storage of chemicals.	Y
There was a fire procedure.	Υ
There was a record of fire extinguisher checks.  Date of last check:	Y 13/12/2019
There was a log of fire drills. Date of last drill:	Y 11/01/2019
There was a record of fire alarm checks.  Date of last check:	Y 17/01/2019
There was a record of fire training for staff.  Date of last training:	Y 28/01/2019
There were fire marshals.	Y
A fire risk assessment had been completed.  Date of completion:	Y 27/11/2017
Actions from fire risk assessment were identified and completed.	Y

Health and safety	Y/N/Partial
Premises/security risk assessment had been carried out.	Y
Date of last assessment:	16/10/2018
Health and safety risk assessments had been carried out and appropriate actions taken.	Υ
Date of last assessment:	15/11/2018

## Infection prevention and control

Appropriate standards of cleanliness and hygiene were met.

	Y/N/Partial
There was an infection risk assessment and policy.	Y
Staff had received effective training on infection prevention and control.	Y
Date of last infection prevention and control audit:	29/11/2018
The practice had acted on any issues identified in infection prevention and control audits.	Y
The arrangements for managing waste and clinical specimens kept people safe.	Y

## 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.	Y
There was an effective induction system for temporary staff tailored to their role.	Y
Comprehensive risk assessments were carried out for patients.	Υ
Risk management plans for patients were developed in line with national guidance.	Υ
Panic alarms were fitted and administrative staff understood how to respond to the alarm and the location of emergency equipment.	Y
Clinicians knew how to identify and manage patients with severe infections including sepsis.	Y
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.	Y
There was a process in the practice for urgent clinical review of such patients.	Y
There was equipment available to enable assessment of patients with presumed sepsis or other clinical emergency.	Y
There were systems to enable the assessment of patients with presumed sepsis in line with National Institute for Health and Care Excellence (NICE) guidance.	Y
When there were changes to services or staff the practice assessed and monitored the impact on safety.	Υ

#### 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.	Y
There was a system for processing information relating to new patients including the summarising of new patient notes.	Y
There were systems for sharing information with staff and other agencies to enable them to deliver safe care and treatment.	Y
Referral letters contained specific information to allow appropriate and timely referrals.	Υ
Referrals to specialist services were documented.	Υ
There was a system to monitor delays in referrals.	Y
There was a documented approach to the management of test results and this was managed in a timely manner.	Y
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.	Y

## 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)	1.09	1.07	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)	6.0%	8.0%	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.	Y
Blank prescriptions were kept securely and their use monitored in line with national	Y

Medicines management	Y/N/Partial
guidance.	
Staff had the appropriate authorisations to administer medicines (including Patient Group Directions or Patient Specific Directions).	Y
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.	Y
There was a process for the safe handling of requests for repeat medicines and evidence of structured medicines reviews for patients on repeat medicines.	Y
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.	Y
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.	Y
The practice monitored the prescribing of controlled drugs. (For example, investigation of unusual prescribing, quantities, dose, formulations and strength).	Y
There were arrangements for raising concerns around controlled drugs with the NHS England Area Team Controlled Drugs Accountable Officer.	Y
If the practice had controlled drugs on the premises there were appropriate systems and written procedures for the safe ordering, receipt, storage, administration, balance checks and disposal of these medicines, which were in line with national guidance.	Y
The practice had taken steps to ensure appropriate antimicrobial use to optimise patient outcomes and reduce the risk of adverse events and antimicrobial resistance.	Y
For remote or online prescribing there were effective protocols for verifying patient identity.	Υ
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.	Y
The practice had arrangements to monitor the stock levels and expiry dates of emergency medicines/medical gases.	Y
There was medical oxygen and a defibrillator on site and systems to ensure these were regularly checked and fit for use.	Y
Vaccines were appropriately stored, monitored and transported in line with PHE guidance to ensure they remained safe and effective.	Y

Dispensary services (where the practice provided a dispensary service)	Y/N/Partial
There was a GP responsible for providing effective leadership for the dispensary.	Υ
The practice had clear Standard Operating Procedures which covered all aspects of the dispensing process, were regularly reviewed, and a system to monitor staff compliance.	Y
Dispensary staff who worked unsupervised had received appropriate training and regular checks of their competency.	Υ
Prescriptions were signed before medicines were dispensed and handed out to patents. There was a risk assessment or surgery policy for exceptions such as acute prescriptions.	Υ
Medicines stock was appropriately managed and disposed of, and staff kept appropriate records.	Υ
Medicines that required refrigeration were appropriately stored, monitored and transported in line with the manufacturer's recommendations to ensure they remained safe and effective.	Y
If the dispensary provided medicines in Monitored Dosage Systems, there were systems to ensure staff were aware of medicines that were not suitable for inclusion in such packs, and appropriate information was supplied to patients about their medicines.	Y
If the practice offered a delivery service, this had been risk assessed for safety, security, confidentiality and traceability.	Υ
Dispensing incidents and near misses were recorded and reviewed regularly to identify themes and reduce the chance of reoccurrence.	Υ
Information was provided to patients in accessible formats for example, large print labels, braille, information in a variety of languages etc.	Υ
There was the facility for dispensers to speak confidentially to patients and protocols described the process for referral to clinicians.	Y

## 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.	Υ
Staff knew how to identify and report concerns, safety incidents and near misses.	Υ
There was a system for recording and acting on significant events.	Υ
Staff understood how to raise concerns and report incidents both internally and externally.	Y
There was evidence of learning and dissemination of information.	Υ
Number of events recorded in last 12 months:	12
Number of events that required action:	12

Example(s) of significant events recorded and actions by the practice.

Event	Specific action taken
wrong department at the hospital	The referral process was changed to use email as far as possible.
A clinical audit found a patient who had been discharged from hospital with a request for blood tests to be taken, which had been missed.	The test was taken and found to be within normal range. Information such as this is now flagged up by an alert on the patient's records on the practice's computer system.

Safety alerts	Y/N/Partial
There was a system for recording and acting on safety alerts.	Υ
Staff understood how to deal with alerts.	Υ
Explanation of any answers and additional evidence:	
Alerts were emailed to all relevant staff by the practice manager and the lead dispenser. actions were taken and recorded. We saw action plans in place for relevant alerts.	Appropriate

## **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.	Y
Patients' immediate and ongoing needs were fully assessed. This included their clinical needs and their mental and physical wellbeing.	Y
We saw no evidence of discrimination when staff made care and treatment decisions.	Υ
Patients' treatment was regularly reviewed and updated.	Υ
There were appropriate referral pathways were in place to make sure that patients' needs were addressed.	Y
Patients were told when they needed to seek further help and what to do if their condition deteriorated.	Y

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)	0.31	0.48	0.81	Variation (positive)

## Older people

## Population group rating: Good

- 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.
- Staff had appropriate knowledge of treating older people including their psychological, mental and communication needs.
- Health checks were offered to patients over 75 years of age.

- 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.
- 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 stroke risk and treated appropriately.
- The practice changed their asthma protocol to be able to carry out reviews over the phone or online. This led to an increase in patients carrying out the asthma review not only via the phone or online but by coming to the practice too.

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) (QOF)	83.6%	83.7%	78.8%	No statistical variation
Exception rate (number of exceptions).	11.4% (25)	16.4%	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) (QOF)	80.8%	83.0%	77.7%	No statistical variation
Exception rate (number of exceptions).	10.0% (22)	8.0%	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)	88.7%	82.2%	80.1%	No statistical variation
Exception rate (number of exceptions).	15.5% (34)	16.8%	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)	75.6%	77.6%	76.0%	No statistical variation
Exception rate (number of exceptions).	4.5% (9)	7.9%	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)	90.7%	92.7%	89.7%	No statistical variation
Exception rate (number of exceptions).	8.5% (5)	11.4%	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)	89.4%	85.6%	82.6%	No statistical variation
Exception rate (number of exceptions).	3.1% (19)	2.8%	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)	86.8%	88.8%	90.0%	No statistical variation
Exception rate (number of exceptions).	5.4% (3)	8.3%	6.7%	N/A

## Families, children and young people

Population group rating: Good

- Childhood immunisation uptake rates were in line with the World Health Organisation (WHO) targets (see below).
- 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.

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 influenza type b (Hib)((i.e. three doses of DTaP/IPV/Hib) (01/04/2017 to 31/03/2018)	19	20	95.0%	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)	27	29	93.1%	Met 90% minimum (no variation)
The percentage of children aged 2 who have received their immunisation for Haemophilus influenza type b (Hib) and Meningitis C (MenC) (i.e. received Hib/MenC booster) (01/04/2017 to 31/03/2018) (NHS England)	26	29	89.7%	Below 90% minimum (variation negative)
Misses in take up of immunizsations has a disproportionate effect on the 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)	26	29	89.7%	Below 90% minimum (variation negative)

#### Any additional evidence or comments

The practice showed as being only slightly below the 90% minimum target for some immunisations for two-year-olds. However, only a marginal number of patients missing their immunisations had a significant impact on the percentages, with only three children missing the immunisations. However, the practice was aware of this and had made a concerted effort to encourage uptake of childhood immunisations by working closely with health visitors and promoting the immunisation programme to patients.

# Working age people (including those recently retired and students)

## Population group rating: Good

- 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) (01/04/2017 to 31/03/2018) (Public Health England)	79.9%	77.9%	71.7%	No statistical variation
Females, 50-70, screened for breast cancer in last 36 months (3 year coverage, %) (01/04/2017 to 31/03/2018) (PHE)	77.7%	76.9%	70.0%	N/A
Persons, 60-69, screened for bowel cancer in last 30 months (2.5 year coverage, %)(01/04/2017 to 31/03/2018) (PHE)	65.1%	61.5%	54.5%	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. (01/04/2017 to 31/03/2018) (PHE)	74.1%	78.6%	70.3%	N/A
Number of new cancer cases treated (Detection rate: % of which resulted from a two week wait (TWW) referral) (01/04/2017 to 31/03/2018) (PHE)	28.6%	55.2%	51.9%	No statistical variation

# People whose circumstances make them vulnerable

Population group rating: Good

- 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 homeless people, travellers 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.
- The practice reviewed young patients in their own homes.

# People experiencing poor mental health

## Population group rating: Good

## (including people with dementia)

- 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.
- All staff had received dementia training in the last 12 months.
- In the National GP Patient Survey in July 2018, 100% of patients at the practice felt the healthcare
  professional they saw recognised/understood any mental health needs in their last appointment.
  This compared to a local average of 91% and a national average of 87%.

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)	91.3%	93.2%	89.5%	No statistical variation
Exception rate (number of exceptions).	17.9% (5)	10.4%	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)	92.0%	93.1%	90.0%	No statistical variation
Exception rate (number of exceptions).	10.7% (3)	8.5%	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)	80.0%	82.5%	83.0%	No statistical variation
Exception rate (number of exceptions).	4.8% (1)	4.6%	6.6%	N/A

## 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)	559.0	553.3	537.5
Overall QOF exception reporting (all domains)	4.6%	5.3%	5.8%

	Y/N/Partial
Clinicians took part in national and local quality improvement initiatives.	Y
The practice had a comprehensive programme of quality improvement and used information about care and treatment to make improvements.	Y

Examples of improvements demonstrated because of clinical audits or other improvement activity in past two years

- An audit of patients with high platelet count was carried out in November 2017 and followed up in January 2019. This was performed as a high platelet count can be an indication of some types of cancer. The follow-up audit found all patients who were identified were being appropriately monitored. The audit also showed an improved awareness among clinicians of the importance of monitoring these patients compared to the audit in 2017.
- An audit was carried out to ensure patients prescribed a combination of certain medications (Spironolactone and ACE/ARBs) were having regular blood tests, as recommended by current national guidance. The second cycle of the audit carried out in 2018 found that seven of eight relevant patients were having appropriate blood tests carried out, compared to only one in five patients during the first cycle of the audit.
- The nursing team was also involved in clinical audit. For example, they had been involved in an audit of patients at risk of diabetes. This had identified 78 patients at risk of developing the disease, and 38 patients who were diagnosed as being diabetic. Those patients who were identified were called for review and referred to exercise groups and given healthy living advice.

#### Any additional evidence or comments

• The practice carried out their own palliative care, out of practice hours. In 2015, an audit of preferred place of death over the preceding five years was carried out by the practice and found that 46% of terminally ill patients were able to die at home, compared to a national average of 22%.

## **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.	Y
The learning and development needs of staff were assessed.	Y
The practice had a programme of learning and development.	Y
Staff had protected time for learning and development.	Y
There was an induction programme for new staff.	Y
Induction included completion of the Care Certificate for Health Care Assistants employed since April 2015.	Y
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.	Y
The practice could demonstrate how they assured the competence of staff employed in advanced clinical practice, for example, nurses, paramedics, pharmacists and physician associates.	Y
There was a clear and appropriate approach for supporting and managing staff when their performance was poor or variable.	Y

## **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)	Y
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.	Y
Care was delivered and reviewed in a coordinated way when different teams, services or organisations were involved.	Y
Patients received consistent, coordinated, person-centred care when they moved between services.	Y
For patients who accessed the practice's digital service there were clear and effective processes to make referrals to other services.	Y

## 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.	Y
Staff encouraged and supported patients to be involved in monitoring and managing their own health.	Y
Staff discussed changes to care or treatment with patients and their carers as necessary.	Υ
The practice supported national priorities and initiatives to improve the population's health for example, stop smoking campaigns, tackling obesity.	Y

Explanation of any answers and additional evidence:

- The practice offered their own smoking cessation advice.
- The healthcare assistant at the practice had written a leaflet to encourage patients to drink more and keep hydrated. These were on display in the reception area. They also created a form so that patients could keep a track of their own blood pressure readings at home. The practice had blood pressure machines that patients could take home with them if they had concerns about their blood pressure.
- There was a BMI monitoring machine in the reception area so that patients could check their own blood pressure and body mass index (a measure of the ratio between a patient's height and weight). Patients were encouraged to use the machine when they joined the practice, and any patient with a BMI over 30 was referred to an exercise programme.

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)	95.4%	96.1%	95.1%	No statistical variation
Exception rate (number of exceptions).	1.1% (10)	0.6%	0.8%	N/A

## **Consent to care and treatment**

The practice always 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.	Y
Clinicians supported patients to make decisions. Where appropriate, they assessed and recorded a patient's mental capacity to make a decision.	Y
The practice monitored the process for seeking consent appropriately.	Y

# **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.	Y
Patients were given appropriate and timely information to cope emotionally with their care, treatment or condition.	Y

CQC comments cards	
Total comments cards received.	36
Number of CQC comments received which were positive about the service.	34
Number of comments cards received which were mixed about the service.	2
Number of CQC comments received which were negative about the service.	0

Source	Feedback
Comments cards, NHS Choices	Patient feedback about care at the practice was highly positive. Numerous comment cards gave examples of times when patients had been treated with kindness, respect and compassion. All of the cards reported positive feedback, and all staff groups were praised for their caring attitude.

## **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
3029	225	113	50.2%	3.73%

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)	94.9%	90.0%	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)	95.8%	88.9%	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)	100.0%	96.5%	95.6%	Variation (positive)
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)	99.4%	83.9%	83.8%	Variation (positive)

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

## Any additional evidence

Friends and Family results:

Dec 18 – nine patients responded – 100% were extremely likely to recommend the practice.

Nov 18 – eight patients – 100% extremely likely to recommend the practice.

Oct 18 – 12 patients – 100% extremely likely or likely to recommend the practice.

Sept 18 – five patients – 100% extremely likely or likely to recommend the practice.

Aug 18 – three patients – 100% extremely likely or likely to recommend the practice.

Jul 18 – six patients – 100% extremely likely or likely to recommend the practice.

The practice had scored above local and national averages for every question in the most recent National GP Patient Survey result, released in July 2018. They showed us a report which ranked the practice's performance in the survey at 107<sup>th</sup> out of all GP practices in England. The practice also ranked joint first out of 40 practices in the clinical commissioning group for the helpfulness of the receptionists, and joint second locally for overall experience at the GP practice.

#### 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.	Y
Staff helped patients and their carers find further information and access community and advocacy services.	Y

Source	Feedback
Patient comment cards, patient interviews, NHS Choices.	Patients said they were involved in decisions about their care and treatment and were able to give examples of when this had happened.

## **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	100.0%	94.7%	93.5%	Variation (positive)

Indicator	Practice	CCG average	England average	England comparison
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)				

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

Carers	Narrative
Percentage and number of carers identified.	128 patients (approximately 4%)
carers.	Patients were asked if they had or were a carer when they joined the practice. Leaflets in reception area promoted carers' groups. Any carers who were identified were signposted to the local carers' organisations.
recently bereaved patients.	We were told that a GP would phone any patients who had a bereavement, or they would send out bereavement card asking patient to make an appointment if required. The practice gave out a bereavement guide and referred patients to counselling.

## **Privacy and dignity**

The practice respected patients' privacy and dignity.

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

Explanation of any answers and additional evidence:

We saw cards on a board at the reception desk which could be taken from the board by patients and handed to the receptionist if they wanted to communicate something to them discreetly. For example, there were cards to allow patients to identify themselves as a carer or alert the reception staff to the fact they had a visual or hearing impairment.

# Responsive

# **Rating: Outstanding**

## 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.	Υ
The facilities and premises were appropriate for the services being delivered.	Υ
The practice made reasonable adjustments when patients found it hard to access services.	Υ
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.	Y
Care and treatment for patients with multiple long-term conditions and patients approaching the end of life was coordinated with other services.	Υ

Practice Opening Times	
Day	Time
Opening times:	
Monday	8.30am to 6.30pm
Tuesday	8.30am to 6.30pm
Wednesday	8.30am to 6.30pm
Thursday	8.30am to 6.30pm
Friday	8.30am to 6.30pm
Appointments available:	
Monday	Shap: 9am to 12.50pm and 3.30pm to 5.45pm, plus telephone appointments from 6.30pm to 7pm. Every other Monday: GP and nurse appointments from 6.30pm to 7pm
Tuesday	Shap: 9am to 12.50pm and 3.30pm to 5.45pm, plus telephone appointments from 6.30pm to 7pm every other Tuesday.  Orton: 9.15am to 10.30am
Wednesday	Shap: 9am to 12.50pm and 3.30pm to 5.45pm.
Thursday	Shap: 9am to 12.50pm. Orton: 4pm to 5.45pm
Friday	Shap: 9am to 12.50pm and 3.30pm to 5.45pm.
"Extended access" appointments were offered with a	Weekdays from 6.30pm to 10pm  Saturdays from 8.30am to 1.30pm and 1.30pm
GP or nurse practitioner through another provider in nearby towns.	to 5.30pm
	Sundays from 8.30am to 5.30pm

## National GP Survey results

Practice population size	Surveys sent out	Surveys returned	Survey Response rate%	% of practice population
3029	225	113	50.2%	3.73%

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)	100.0%	95.8%	94.8%	Variation (positive)

### Any additional evidence or comments

- The practice had scored above local and national averages for every question in the most recent National GP Patient Survey result, released in July 2018. They showed us a report which ranked the practice's performance in the survey at 107<sup>th</sup> out of all GP practices in England. Locally, they ranked:
  - o Joint second for patients' experience of making an appointment;
  - o Joint third for patient satisfaction with appointment times;
  - o Joint third for patient satisfaction with the type of appointment offered:
  - Joint third for amount of choice of appointment offered.
- Despite achieving above average results in all areas, the practice carried out an analysis of the survey to look for areas where they could improve. They identified patient waiting times as an area for improvement, and have put a board in reception to display the current waiting time. Patients we spoke to told us this had improved their experience of waiting at the practice.
- The practice set up training for patients in basic life support. A group of eight patients attended the first session, where a doctor from the practice taught CPR and how to use a defibrillator.

## Older people

## **Population group rating: Outstanding**

#### **Findings**

As there were outstanding areas which benefitted all population groups in this domain, we rated all population groups as **outstanding**.

- All patients had a named GP who supported them in whatever setting they lived.
- 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.
- There was a medicines delivery service for housebound patients.

People with long-term conditions Population group rating: Outstanding

## **Findings**

- Patients with multiple conditions had their needs reviewed in one appointment.
- 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. Nurses at the practice had undergone extra training to be able to perform catheter changes for patients, as this service was no longer offered by the district nursing team. Despite not being commissioned to perform this service, they regularly changed the catheters of 17 patients, saving them a journey to hospital.
- Care and treatment for people with long-term conditions approaching the end of life was coordinated with other services. A 2015 audit found that 46% of patients at the practice died in their preferred place of death (national average 22%).
- The practice screened for patients with coeliac disease, despite not being funded for this service. They had identified 26 patients, who had then been referred to secondary care for treatment. These patients were kept on a register and the practice offered an annual review of their condition.
- The practice had purchased wristbands for patients with long-term conditions, so that in the event of an emergency clinicians or first responders would immediately be aware of their condition and the medication they were taking.
- The healthcare assistant at the practice had written a leaflet to encourage patients to drink more water, after identifying that a number of patients who attended appointments reported that they didn't drink enough fluids. The leaflet included diet and lifestyle advice, including the benefits of cutting down on salt intake. The healthcare assistant had also developed a similar leaflet for patients with high-blood pressure.

## Families, children and young people Population group rating: Outstanding

## **Findings**

As there were outstanding areas which benefitted all population groups in this domain, we rated all population groups as outstanding.

- 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. They were called back within an hour if they called about a child under five.
- The practice was aware that some patients were reluctant to immunise their children, so they had taken steps to inform patients of the benefits, as well as the risks caused by not having children immunised. They had written their own vaccination leaflet to encourage uptake, as well as making phone calls to patients and putting notices in the local newsletter. They also carried out immunisations at home if people were struggling to get to the practice.

# Working age people (including those recently retired and students)

## **Population group rating: Outstanding**

## **Findings**

As there were outstanding areas which benefitted all population groups in this domain, we rated all population groups as **outstanding**.

- 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 was open until 7pm on a Monday and alternate Tuesdays. Pre-bookable extended access appointments were also available to all patients at additional locations within the area. These were available in the evenings and at weekends.

## Population group rating: Outstanding

# People whose circumstances make them vulnerable

## **Findings**

As there were outstanding areas which benefitted all population groups in this domain, we rated all population groups as **outstanding**.

- The practice held a register of patients living in vulnerable circumstances including those with a learning disability.
- 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.
- The practice had installed "Telly Talk" a system which allowed patients to dial in to a virtual
  Citizens Advice Bureau clinic from the practice. Patients were able to get advice, as well as
  complete forms and sign them remotely using a trackpad on the computer. Due to the rural
  location of the practice, this saved patients having to travel for this service.

# People experiencing poor mental health

**Population group rating: Outstanding** 

(including people with dementia)

#### **Findings**

As there were outstanding areas which benefitted all population groups in this domain, we rated all population groups as **outstanding**.

- 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 aware of support groups within the area and signposted their patients to these accordingly.

#### 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.	Y
The practice had a system to assess whether a home visit was clinically necessary and the urgency of the need for medical attention.	Y
Appointments, care and treatment were only cancelled or delayed when absolutely necessary.	Y

Explanation of any answers and additional evidence:

We checked the appointment system in real time at 1.10pm on the day of inspection. The next available appointment with a GP was at 6pm.

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)	99.0%	N/A	70.3%	Significant Variation (positive)
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)	98.7%	67.6%	68.6%	Significant Variation (positive)
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)	88.7%	65.9%	65.9%	Variation (positive)
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)	97.1%	75.1%	74.4%	Variation (positive)

## Any additional evidence or comments

- The practice was able to achieve good continuity of care. We saw that 81% of patients had seen the same doctor more than once in the last quarter.
- Feedback about access was extremely positive. The practice scored significantly above local and nations averages for questions related to access in the National GP Patient Survey.
- The practice had improved the telephone system as a result of patient feedback. They added more
  lines to reduce the amount of time patients had to wait to speak to a receptionist.

Source	Feedback
NHS Choices, comment cards, patient interviews.	Patients we spoke to or who left comment cards or reviews on NHS Choices stated they were extremely happy with access to the service. Patients told us they were always able to get an appointment when they needed one.

## 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.	1
Number of complaints we examined.	1
Number of complaints we examined that were satisfactorily handled in a timely way.	1
Number of complaints referred to the Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman.	0

	Y/N/Partial
Information about how to complain was readily available.	Υ
There was evidence that complaints were used to drive continuous improvement.	Y

## Example(s) of learning from complaints.

Complaint	Specific action taken
were no nurse appointments available	· ·

## Well-led

## **Rating: Good**

## Leadership capacity and capability

There was compassionate, inclusive and effective leadership at all levels. They had the capacity and skills to deliver high quality sustainable care.

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

## 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.	Υ
There was a realistic strategy to achieve their priorities.	Y
The vision, values and strategy were developed in collaboration with staff, patients and external partners.	Y
Staff knew and understood the vision, values and strategy and their role in achieving them.	Y
Progress against delivery of the strategy was monitored.	Y

### 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.	Y
Staff reported that they felt able to raise concerns without fear of retribution.	Υ
There was a strong emphasis on the safety and well-being of staff.	Υ
There were systems to ensure compliance with the requirements of the duty of candour.	Υ
The practice's speaking up policies were in line with the NHS Improvement Raising Concerns (Whistleblowing) Policy.	Y

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

Staff at the practice told us they felt supported and fully involved with the running of the practice.
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## **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 which were regularly reviewed.	Y
Staff were clear about their roles and responsibilities.	Υ
There were appropriate governance arrangements with third parties.	Υ

## 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 which were regularly reviewed and improved.	Y
There were processes to manage performance.	Υ
There was a systematic programme of clinical and internal audit.	Y
There were effective arrangements for identifying, managing and mitigating risks.	Y
A major incident plan was in place.	Y
Staff were trained in preparation for major incidents.	Y
When considering service developments or changes, the impact on quality and sustainability was assessed.	Υ

## 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.	Y
Performance information was used to hold staff and management to account.	Y
Our inspection indicated that information was accurate, valid, reliable and timely.	Y
There were effective arrangements for identifying, managing and mitigating risks.	Y

Staff whose responsibilities included making statutory notifications understood what this	V
entails.	ī

## 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.	Y
Staff views were reflected in the planning and delivery of services.	Y
The practice worked with stakeholders to build a shared view of challenges and of the needs of the population.	Υ

Explanation of any answers and additional evidence:

The practice had a virtual patient participation group (PPG) alongside the group which met with staff from the surgery.

## Feedback from Patient Participation Group.

#### Feedback

Feedback from the patient participation group was positive about the way in which the practice worked with them. They told us that information was shared with them before the meetings, and there was the chance for patients to add items to the agenda. We were told that the practice listened and was open to feedback. For example, the practice changed the opening hours of the dispensary following feedback from the PPG.

#### **Continuous improvement and innovation**

There were systems and processes for learning, continuous improvement and innovation.

	Y/N/Partial
There was a strong focus on continuous learning and improvement.	Y
Learning was shared effectively and used to make improvements.	Υ

#### **Examples of continuous learning and improvement**

- There was a good audit programme in place. Practice nurses were involved in audits.
- A practice nurse played a key role in the local area in encouraging practices to take student nurses on placements.
- Despite ranking 107<sup>th</sup> nationally in the latest National GP Patient Survey, the practice had still looked for areas to improve and had made changes as a result.
- Despite some reluctance in the local area to have children immunised, the practice was taking

- steps to encourage uptake, including offering immunisations at home if necessary.
- The practice carried out a number of services they were not being asked to perform, in order to benefit local patients and services. These included basic life support training for patients, catheter changes, and identifying and monitoring patients with coeliac disease.
- The practice had produced a number of their own leaflets to promote health and wellbeing.

#### 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 practices 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 ≤-3
2	Variation (positive)	-3 < Z ≤ -2
3	No statistical variation	-2 < Z < 2
4	Variation (negative)	2 ≤ Z < 3
5	Significant variation (negative)	Z ≥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.
- 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 uses a rules based approach for scoring, due to the distribution of the data. This indicator does not have a CCG 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.