Care Quality Commission

Inspection Evidence Table

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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
There were policies 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).	
There was active and appropriate engagement in local safeguarding processes.	
There were systems to identify vulnerable patients on record.	
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.	
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

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
There were systems to ensure the registration of clinical staff (including nurses and pharmacists) was checked and regularly monitored.	Yes
Staff had any necessary medical indemnity insurance.	Yes

- Vaccination information was collected during the recruitment and induction process. All staff either had, or had been offered, Flu, Hepatitis B and MMR vaccinations and the immunisation status for all non-clinical and clinical staff was recorded.
- Clinical staff registration was checked as part of the recruitment process and formed part of the ongoing monitoring of the workforce.
- Indemnity checks were made when using locums.
- A comprehensive induction check list was completed for all new staff.
- All staff are covered by the newly introduced Clinical Negligence Scheme for General Practice but clinical staff have additional cover for any non-NHS work that they might undertake e.g. medicals or insurance reports.

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: 5 th December 2017	Yes
There was a record of equipment calibration. Date of last calibration: 3 rd December 2018	Yes
There were risk assessments for any storage of hazardous substances for example, liquid nitrogen, storage of chemicals.	Yes
There was a fire procedure.	Yes
There was a record of fire extinguisher checks. Date of last check: June 2019	Yes
There was a log of fire drills. Date of last drill: 24 th June 2019	Yes
There was a record of fire alarm checks. Date of last check: 27 th June 2019	Yes
There was a record of fire training for staff. Date of last training: 20 th March 2019	Yes
There were fire marshals.	Yes
A fire risk assessment had been completed.	Yes

Date of completion: 24 th June 2019	
Actions from fire risk assessment were identified and completed.	Yes

- Risk assessments and safety data sheets were in place for the storage of hazardous chemicals.
- We saw evidence of fire drills being regularly carried out and the fire alarm being tested on a weekly basis.
- PAT testing was done every three years, but the practice manager completed a visual check every three months.
- Fire drills were carried out every six months or whenever a new staff member started.
- Fire alarm testing was carried out on a weekly basis.
- A fire risk assessment was carried out on an annual basis. During the last risk assessment, carried out just prior to our visit, it was noted that some doors needed new smoke seals to be fitted. The parts were on order at the time of our inspection.

Health and safety	Y/N/Partial
Premises/security risk assessment had been carried out.	Voc
Date of last assessment: 24 th June 2019	Yes
Health and safety risk assessments had been carried out and appropriate actions taken. Date of last assessment: 24 th June 2019	Yes
Explanation of any answers and additional evidence:	

Annual assessments are carried out with further spot checks carried out for security purposes.

Infection prevention and control

Appropriate standards of cleanliness and hygiene were met.

	Y/N/Partial
There was an infection risk assessment and policy.	Yes
Staff had received effective training on infection prevention and control.	Yes
Date of last infection prevention and control audit: 19th June 2019	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

- We saw the infection control policy, a completed risk assessment and evidence of room checks being carried out.
- We saw evidence that action points highlighted in the previous infection control audit in February 2019 had been completed.
- Procedures were in place for the management of spillages and the safe handling of specimens.
- Personal protective equipment, including aprons, eye protection and gloves was available and

- biohazard spill kits were seen.
- Clinical waste policies and procedures were checked, and we saw colour coded waste bins and
 posters in clinical rooms to help staff deal with clinical waste appropriately. A clinical waste bin
 was stored in the car park and chained to the building. Waste was removed weekly and
 consignment notes retained for over three years.

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.	
There were systems 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 mpact on safety.	Yes

- A risk register and assessment for planned and unplanned staff absence was in place to promote continuity of service and patient safety. Annual leave was planned with only one staff member taking leave at a time.
- Staff were able to cross cover and support each other in cases of planned and unplanned leave.
- The clinical system had an alarm to alert other staff members if necessary.
- All clinicians were up to date with identifying severe infections including sepsis and we saw leaflets in the waiting area and clinical rooms.
- Reception would alert a GP if a patient was acutely unwell or deteriorating and the GP would see the patient as a matter of urgency with an ambulance being requested if necessary.

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

Explanation of any answers and additional evidence:

- The clinical system used by the practice (SystmOne) is used by other local healthcare organisations, with data sharing agreements in place, to allow information to be shared where necessary and where agreed with the patient.
- The referral facilitation service (RFS) was used to monitor referrals and prevent inappropriate referrals.
- Urgent referrals or "two week waits" (2WW) were submitted to the RFS team. An internal register
 was kept and was regularly checked by an admin staff member to ensure that an appointment
 had been made. GPs maintained contact with the patient to ensure that they attended their
 appointments. A leaflet was also given to each patient by the GP which stressed the importance
 of attending 2WW appointments.

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) (01/04/2018 to 31/03/2019) (NHS Business Service Authority - NHSBSA)	0.70	0.74	0.88	No statistical variation
The number of prescription items for co- amoxiclav, cephalosporins and quinolones as a percentage of the total	7.2%	9.9%	8.7%	No statistical variation

Indicator	Practice	CCG average	England average	England comparison
number of prescription items for selected antibacterial drugs (BNF 5.1 sub-set). (01/04/2018 to 31/03/2019) (NHSBSA)				
Average daily quantity per item for Nitrofurantoin 50 mg tablets and capsules, Nitrofurantoin 100 mg m/r capsules, Pivmecillinam 200 mg tablets and Trimethoprim 200 mg tablets prescribed for uncomplicated urinary tract infection (01/10/2018 to 31/03/2019)	7.30	5.98	5.61	Tending towards variation (negative)
Average daily quantity of oral NSAIDs prescribed per Specific Therapeutic Group Age-sex Related Prescribing Unit (STAR-PU) (01/10/2018 to 31/03/2019)	1.23	1.21	2.07	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 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 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
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 for verifying patient identity.	Yes

Medicines management	Y/N/Partial
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 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

- We inspected 13 Patient Group Directions (PGDs) and found that whilst they had all been signed by the nurses and a GP, they were signed in the wrong place. This was rectified on the day of the inspection.
- All medicines were stored safely and securely.
- Prescriptions were kept securely in a locked cupboard in reception and we saw the procedure for logging prescriptions and recording their serial numbers and location. There were locks on consulting room doors to prevent unauthorised removal of prescriptions.

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:	2
Number of events that required action:	2

Explanation of any answers and additional evidence:

- Significant events, complaints, comments, compliments, near misses and errors were used to monitor, review, learn and make improvements for safety.
- An annual review of significant events took place and staff were updated regarding outcomes of events and any changes of procedure or learning.
- Staff were aware of how to raise concerns and said that when things went wrong at the practice there was a culture of openness and support.

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

Event				Specific action taken
Both aggres	significant sive and abus	events sive patien	nts.	In both instances, staff dealt with the situation, although one did involve police attendance. Staff were counselled, and training and learning took place regarding how to deal with similar instances. Staff were reminded of the need to consider their own personal safety as well as that of the patients in the surgery at the time.

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

- The practice manager and GPs were registered to receive alerts via email.
- For alerts that need action, searches are undertaken either by a GP or the practice manager. The GP would then take whatever action was necessary.
- All details were entered onto a central spreadsheet log which contained the details of alerts and any actions taken.

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
There were 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:

- We saw evidence of social prescribing taking place and the practice was working to provide further support to patients. Social prescribing is a way of linking patients in primary care with sources of support within the community. It provides GPs with a non-medical referral option that can operate alongside existing treatments to improve health and well-being.
- The practice provided further advice to patients by providing leaflets and website links to encourage patient self-care.

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) (01/04/2018 to 31/03/2019) (NHSBSA)	0.53	0.52	0.77	No statistical variation

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.

People with long-term conditions

Population group rating: Good

- 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.

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)	65.6%	77.9%	78.8%	Tending towards variation (negative)
Exception rate (number of exceptions).	5.8% (18)	10.4%	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)	82.4%	77.3%	77.7%	No statistical variation
Exception rate (number of exceptions).	6.5% (20)	7.5%	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)	78.5%	77.9%	80.1%	No statistical variation

Exception rate (number of exceptions).	3.9% (12)	8.1%	13.5%	N/A
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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)	80.8%	78.0%	76.0%	No statistical variation
Exception rate (number of exceptions).	2.7% (6)	2.6%	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)	100.0%	91.7%	89.7%	Variation (positive)
Exception rate (number of exceptions).	0 (0)	8.9%	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)	82.3%	82.9%	82.6%	No statistical variation
Exception rate (number of exceptions).	4.6% (26)	3.6%	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)	100.0%	96.3%	90.0%	Variation (positive)
Exception rate (number of exceptions).	0 (0)	10.7%	6.7%	N/A

Families, children and young people Population group rating: Good

Findings

• Childhood immunisation uptake rates were in line with the World Health Organisation (WHO) targets other than for the Pneumococcal booster which was slightly below. All parents had been contacted but some parents had made the decision to decline the Pneumococcal booster for their

- child. However, unverified data shows that 2018/2019 uptake is above 90%.
- 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)	39	42	92.9%	Met 90% minimum (no variation)
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)	25	29	86.2%	Below 90% minimum (variation negative)
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)	27	29	93.1%	Met 90% minimum (no variation)
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)	27	29	93.1%	Met 90% minimum (no variation)

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

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)	67.1%	63.7%	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)	67.4%	66.1%	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)	37.0%	45.8%	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)	100.0%	67.2%	70.2%	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)	60.0%	53.0%	51.9%	No statistical variation

Any additional evidence or comments

• Whilst being above the CCG average, the uptake for cervical screening was below the national target of 80%. Unverified data, however, showed that the cervical screening uptake for 2018/2019 was 84.7%. This had been achieved by explaining to some patients who had previously been reluctant to have a smear the importance of having the procedure. A more robust follow up/recall system had also been introduced with patients being contacted two days prior to their appointment by way of reminder.

People whose circumstances make Population group rating: Good them vulnerable

- End of life care was delivered in a coordinated way which considered the needs of those whose circumstances may make them vulnerable.
- The practice held a register of patients living in vulnerable circumstances including homeless people 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 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.

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)	94.4%	90.9%	89.5%	No statistical variation
Exception rate (number of exceptions).	10.0% (2)	8.0%	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)	100.0%	93.3%	90.0%	Variation (positive)
Exception rate (number of exceptions).	0 (0)	6.4%	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%	87.4%	83.0%	No statistical variation
Exception rate (number of exceptions).	0 (0)	6.4%	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)	529.2	545.6	537.5
Overall QOF exception reporting (all domains)	4.4%	6.4%	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 information about care and treatment to make improvements.	Yes

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

- Because of a recent safety alert, the practice had completed an audit of female patients, of child bearing age, who were being prescribed sodium valproate. (Sodium valproate is a highly effective medicine for the treatment of epilepsy, however, taking it during pregnancy carries a high risk of harm to the developing baby). The practice conducted this audit in March 2019 and June 2019 and in both cases no patients of child bearing age were found to be taking sodium valproate. Due to the ever-changing population, the practice stated they would be repeating this audit at regular six-monthly intervals.
- The practice also conducted an audit of all patients who were on methotrexate, as part of a highrisk medicines management process to ensure that regular blood test monitoring was taking place. The initial, and follow up audit, both found that all patients were being monitored according to recognised guidelines.

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.	Yes
Induction included completion of the Care Certificate for Health Care Assistants employed	Yes

since April 2015.	
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

- There was an induction programme for all new staff with staff learning and development being reviewed annually at appraisals and at three monthly performance reviews.
- The practice had informal briefings during the day, team meetings, whole practice meetings and continuous quality improvement meetings which involved every team member.
- The practice nurse was supported in their revalidation by continuous development and meetings with GPs. They also maintained their CPD and attended appropriate courses e.g. annual immunisation updates.
- Staff had protected time for online training but if they chose to complete it at home they would be paid or have time off in lieu.

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)	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	Yes
services. This included patients in the last 12 months of their lives, patients at risk of	1.00

developing a long-term condition and carers.	
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)	95.4%	95.9%	95.1%	No statistical variation
Exception rate (number of exceptions).	1.1% (9)	0.9%	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.	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.	46
Number of CQC comments received which were positive about the service.	46
Number of comments cards received which were mixed about the service.	0
Number of CQC comments received which were negative about the service.	0

Source	Feedback
Comment Cards	Patient comments included feedback that the doctors and staff couldn't be faulted; the clinical and non-clinical teams were all extremely good; care needs were met; treatment was good; Staff listened to patients; patients felt cared for; staff went above and beyond with patient care and that the surgery was always clean and well maintained.

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
3660	381	95	24.9%	2.60%

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	58.5%	85.0%	89.0%	Significant Variation (negative)

Indicator	Practice	CCG average	England average	England comparison
31/03/2018)				
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)	52.6%	82.3%	87.4%	Significant Variation (negative)
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)	85.9%	93.3%	95.6%	Tending towards variation (negative)
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)	56.9%	79.5%	83.8%	Variation (negative)

Any additional evidence or comments

• The practice was aware of the results of the survey, had discussed them with staff and put training and support in place to improve. The results of the 2019 survey, which has now been published, show a significant increase in results. For instance, the percentage of respondents who stated that the healthcare professional was good at listening to them increased from 58.5% to 75%. Similarly, the percentage of respondents who stated that the healthcare professional was good at treating them with care and concern rose from 52.6% to 66%.

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

Involvement in decisions about care and treatment

Staff helped patients to be involved in decisions about care and treatment patients were not 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 advocacy services.	Yes

Explanation of any answers and additional evidence:

• Patients were involved in their care, and decisions about their care; they were counselled about choices and offered further information to support their understanding.

- The reception team were very knowledgeable about local facilities and community groups and could advise patients about these.
- Several members of staff were multi-lingual but patients also had access to interpreter services if required.

Source	Feedback
patients.	Patients were positive about the level of service provided by the practice. They understood the pressures on the practice and were particularly appreciative of the efforts provided by all staff.

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)	78.9%	89.9%	93.5%	Variation (negative)

Any additional evidence or comments

• The results of the 2019 survey, which has now been published show that the percentage of respondents 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 rose from 78.9% to 90%.

	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	2.5% of the patient list size had been identified as a carer. This equated to
carers identified.	92 patients out of a practice population of 3630.
How the practice supported	Carers were identified, and their details recorded on a carer's register when
carers.	registering at the practice or opportunistically if they identified themselves,
	or practice staff became aware of them as a carer. They would then be
	given health related information and details of support organisations.

	Flu vaccinations were offered together with health checks and longer appointments. The practice also held carers tea/coffee afternoons where carers can attend and meet representatives from local support groups.
recently bereaved patients.	GPs would contact recently bereaved patients, either by telephone or via a home visit depending on the circumstances. Condolences and offers of emotional and practical support would also be offered.

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.	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

- A room could be made available for patients to discuss sensitive issues or if they were upset.
- Breastfeeding mothers could use a private room if they wished to feed their baby whilst visiting the surgery.
- Due to issues of confidentiality, staff would always keep their voices low. They tried to avoid the use of names and other patient identifiable details which might be overheard by other patients.

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

Explanation of any answers and additional evidence:

every day apart from Bank Holidays which is 8am to 5pm.

- The individual needs of patients were recognised, and the practice worked as a team to offer continuity of care for routine matters with the same GP wherever possible.
- GP consulting rooms were on the ground floor and toilet facilities were available for use by disabled patients.
- The nurse treatment room was located on the first floor, which was only accessible only by stairs.
 If a patient could not use the stairs, then the nurse would see the patient in a downstairs consultation room.

Day	Time
Opening times:	
Monday	8am to 6:30pm
Tuesday	8am to 8pm
Wednesday	8am to 6:30pm
Thursday	8am to 6:30pm
Friday	8am to 6:30pm
Appointments available:	
Monday	9am to 6:20pm
Tuesday	9am to 7:40pm
Wednesday	9am to 6:20pm
Thursday	9am to 6:20pm
Friday	9am to 6:20pm

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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)	80.7%	92.8%	94.8%	Variation (negative)

Any additional evidence or comments

• The results of the 2019 survey, which has now been published show that the percentage of respondents who stated that at their last general practice appointment, their needs were met rose from 80.7% to 92%.

Older people

Population group rating: Good

Findings

- 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.
- In recognition of the religious and cultural observances of some patients, the GP would respond
 quickly, if required, to provide the necessary death certification to enable prompt burial in line with
 families' wishes when bereavement occurred.

People with long-term conditions

Population group rating: Good

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.
- Care and treatment for people with long-term conditions approaching the end of life was coordinated with other services.

Families, children and young people Population group rating: Good

- Appointments were available outside of school times and improved access appointments at the local hubs were also available in the evenings so that children did not need to miss school.
- 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.

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.
- Pre-bookable appointments were available to all patients during the evening and at weekends via the extended access hub. Appointments were available between 8am and 8pm every day apart from Bank Holidays which is 8am to 5pm

People whose circumstances make them vulnerable

Population group rating: Good

Findings

- The practice held a register of patients living in vulnerable circumstances including homeless people and 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.

People experiencing poor mental health Population group rating: Good (including people with dementia)

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 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.

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	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

- The reception team followed procedures to identify sick patients and would inform a GP of any potentially life-threatening situations.
- Home visit requests were recorded on the clinical system. A GP would ring the patient/carer to
 establish the problem and clinical need for the visit. Advice would be given as to whether the visit
 was needed or alternative options (e.g. ambulance, surgery appointment, etc.) would be agreed.

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)	51.5%	N/A	70.3%	No statistical variation
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)	53.1%	65.6%	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)	56.7%	63.0%	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)	67.2%	69.0%	74.4%	No statistical variation

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.	3
Number of complaints we examined.	3
Number of complaints we examined that were satisfactorily handled in a timely way.	3
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

Example(s) of learning from complaints.

Complaint	Specific action taken
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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, including a succession plan.	

Explanation of any answers and additional evidence:

- Regular clinical and staff meetings were held to discuss all aspects of the practice. All meetings had an agenda and minutes were recorded.
- The Principal GP and manager met regularly to discuss staffing issues, finance, premises and contracts to ensure that they were reactive and ready to face the challenges of general practice.
- Staff said that they felt part of a strong team and supported by the GPs and manager. They could speak to the practice manager, or the salaried GP, if they had concerns or needed pastoral support.

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 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

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

- Feedback from staff confirmed that they felt supported and valued.
- Staff were aware of the whistleblowing policy and felt able to raise concerns if needed. A no blame culture was in evidence.

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

Source	Feedback
	Members of staff we spoke with told us they were very happy working at the practice, morale was high and they felt well supported by the whole staff team.

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.	Yes
Staff were clear about their roles and responsibilities.	Yes
There were appropriate governance arrangements with third parties.	Yes

Explanation of any answers and additional evidence:

- Policies and procedures were in place and accessible to staff on the computer system. The
 practice manager regularly reviewed and updated the policies as required.
- There was a system in place for investigating, reviewing and learning from complaints and significant events. They were then formally documented centrally and discussed during staff and clinical meetings.
- There were health and safety systems in place and equipment was maintained in line with guidance.

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.	Yes

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

- Examples of clinical audit which evidenced quality improvement were seen.
- The practice had undertaken several risk assessments including infection control and premises risk assessments. Recommendations from risk assessments had been actioned.

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

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

Continuous improvement and innovation

There were 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

• Minutes of meetings across the practice staff team showed that there was a focus on development and improvement and that learning from significant events, complaints, training and patient feedback was shared effectively.

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 Bands	Z-score threshold
Significant variation (positive)	≤-3
Variation (positive)	>-3 and ≤-2
Tending towards variation (positive)	>-2 and ≤-1.5
No statistical variation	<1.5 and >-1.5
Tending towards variation (negative)	≥1.5 and <2
Variation (negative)	≥2 and <3
Significant variation (negative)	≥3

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.