

Reference: FOI.ICB-2223/250

Subject: Gold Standards Framework in Primary Care

I can confirm that the ICB does hold some of the information requested; please see responses below:

QUESTION	RESPONSE
<p>With reference to the following statement on the website of North Bristol NHS Trust (NBT) - link here:</p> <p>https://gbr01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.nbt.nhs.uk%2Four-services%2Fa-z-services%2Fpalliative-end-life-care%2Flocal-palliative-end-life-care-services&data=05%7C01%7Cbnsq.foi%40nhs.net%7C92be9fc8d43f4367343a08db25fbaf45%7C37c354b285b047f5b22207b48d774ee3%7C0%7C0%7C638145535130880245%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWljiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzliLCJBTil6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCi6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=DM9Knn7aJynvweVdZEyFaGmyg%2FnCXQxw5VbmwUyP2YY%3D&reserved=0</p> <p>“General Practitioners (GPs) and Community Nurses are the main providers of palliative and end of life care in the community. Most GP practices use the Gold Standards Framework (GSF) - a simple tried and tested framework to help primary health care teams deliver the best possible care for</p>	<p>BNSSG ICB (Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire Integrated Care Board) does not hold a formal list of Practices within BNSSG who use the Gold Standard Framework as there is not a sign-up process for this. However, we believe most of our Practices follow the framework.</p>

people nearing the end of their lives. Initially developed for cancer patients, it is now used for any patient with a life limiting illness and in other settings such as care homes. For patients with complex palliative and end of life care needs the primary health care team may work alongside specialist community palliative care teams.”

Under the FOIA, please provide the names and addresses of all the GP practices within BNSSG (Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire) that use the Gold Standards Framework.

The information provided in this response is accurate as of 4 April 2023 and has been approved for release by David Jarrett, Director of Integrated and Primary Care for NHS Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire ICB.