

Reference: FOI.ICB-2324/485

Subject: Community Pharmacy Independent Pathfinder Programme

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

QUESTION	RESPONSE							
1. How many Pathfinder sites did you have within your area as at 31 January 2024?	3							
2. How many Pathfinder sites do you have within your area now?	3							
3. How many expressions of interest/applications were received to take part in the Pathfinder pilot in your area?	13							
4. What criteria were used to score expressions of interest/applications?	<p>STEP 1: An interview – all remaining sites were invited to a 30 minute interview;</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="1099 1209 2096 1364"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="1099 1209 1182 1249"></th> <th data-bbox="1182 1209 1585 1249">Question</th> <th data-bbox="1585 1209 2096 1249">Scoring</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="1099 1249 1182 1364">1.</td> <td data-bbox="1182 1249 1585 1364">Describe how you currently work with your local GP practices/PCN</td> <td data-bbox="1585 1249 2096 1364">1 = very limited current engagement or no plan to engage</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>			Question	Scoring	1.	Describe how you currently work with your local GP practices/PCN	1 = very limited current engagement or no plan to engage
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		<p>and how you plan to engage with them as part of the Pathfinder Programme?</p>	<p>2 = able to demonstrate that engagement has been sought or some plans to engage 3 = established relationship or robust plans to engage as part of this programme</p>
	2.	<p>Describe any clinical services (for example: hypertension case finding; working to PGDs, private prescribing, etc) you currently offer and how many patients are approximately served by those services (NHS and/or private).</p>	<p>1 = limited services currently offered 2 = evidence of experience of delivering clinical services 3 = evidence of well-established services</p>
	3.	<p>Describe how the pharmacy team will work together to support the delivery of this programme and how you envisage the patient journey. How will the team ensure there is adequate capacity to provide this new programme along with</p>	<p>1 = limited evidence that wider team have been involved or consulted 2 = evidence that pharmacy owner; IP; wider team have considered the delivery of the programme 3 = robust and well considered evidence of involvement of wider team in planning the delivery of this programme</p>

	existing services of the Pharmacy.	
3b.	How many hours does you IP work in the pharmacy and what time commitment will they be able to give to the sessions on a weekly basis	Not scored but for information
4.	Has your IP undertaken any additional training which will support their consultation skills e.g. Physical examination, clinical reasoning/other clinical skills training.	1 = no additional training 2 = some additional training undertaken 3 = significant additional training undertaken which is relevant to the IP role and minor ailments service
5.	What key challenges might you expect to come across while implementing the programme and how might you work to mitigate these.	1 = limited evidence that the programme implementation has been considered 2 = evidence that the pharmacy owner and IP have already been considering the implementation of the programme 3 = robust and well considered evidence that the pharmacy owner and IP have considered carefully how this programme

		would work in their individual setting
6.	Discuss how you envisage the role of an IP Community Pharmacist in the future	1 = limited ideas 2 = Some ideas of how to develop the IP role 3 = robust plans on how to develop the IP role in the future
	Total	/18
<p>STEP 2: The Original EOIs were anonymously scored according to the table below:</p>		
		Evidence from EOI
1.	Number of Consultation rooms (they all have at least 1 consultation room)	0 = 0-1 1 = more than 1 consultation room
2.	Current Scope of practice and experience	1 = limited services currently offered 2 = evidence of experience of delivering clinical services 3 = evidence of well-established services
3.	Is there any operational or implementation information you would like to share to support your EOI. You may wish to include additional	1 = limited additional information provided 2 = evidence that pharmacy owner; IP; wider team have considered the delivery of

		information regarding your consultation room, the pharmacy workforce skill mix at the site, IP interest and experience and current working relationship with your network GP Practices	the programme 3 = robust and well considered evidence of involvement of wider team in planning the delivery of this programme												
	4.	PGD information for the last 3/12	1 = Limited delivery <20 2 = Medium delivery 20-100 4 = Extensive delivery >100												
	Total		/11												
	<p>STEP 3: At the final Shortlisting panel meeting to consider all the scoring along with three other factors were considered particularly where there were close scoring contractors. We aimed to have a range of contractor types, e.g. not all independent or large multiples, across a geographical spread with a focus on health inequalities.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="1099 1031 2089 1222"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>Criteria</th> <th>Not ranked</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>1</td> <td>Mix of contractor types</td> <td>Not ranked</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2</td> <td>Geographical spread</td> <td>Not ranked</td> </tr> <tr> <td>3</td> <td>Local service need (e.g. deprivation)</td> <td>Not ranked</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>				Criteria	Not ranked	1	Mix of contractor types	Not ranked	2	Geographical spread	Not ranked	3	Local service need (e.g. deprivation)	Not ranked
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5. How many of those who expressed an interest/applicants were accepted from the total that applied?	3														



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<p>6. Please provide details of much will those (i.e. a contractor) receive for taking part in the Pathfinder programme including any set up payment, monthly payments etc.</p>	<p>As per national payments set up fee = £1,500 Payments according to sessions = £198/4 hours Currently up to 96 hours allowed prior to starting pilot. Awaiting national information on sessions once pilot begins / 24 sessions/month</p>
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The information provided in this response is accurate as of 26 March 2024 and has been approved for release by Dr Geeta Iyer, Deputy Chief Medical Officer for NHS Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire ICB.