

1. PCN 2024/25 DES Assurance - Structured Medication Review (SMR) & Med Optimisation

Overview

Please complete the following short survey as part of the 2024/25 PCN DES Assurance process.

This is one of six short surveys which are required to be completed by PCNs by 31st March 2025.

Please see below 'Related' section which provides:

- PCN DES - 2023-24 Good Practice and 2024-25 Assurance Approach
- 2024-25 PCN DES - Part A Clinical & Support Services - Section 8
- 2024-25 PCN DES - Contract Specification - PCN requirements and entitlements

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1 What is your name?

2 What is your email address?

3 Which NCL borough is your PCN located?

Please select only one item

- Barnet
- Camden
- Enfield
- Haringey
- Islington

4 What is your PCN name?

5 What is your PCN code?

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6 Describe the medicines optimisation strategies that the PCN has implemented for:

A) Reducing polypharmacy:

B) Minimising risk of prescribing harm:

C) Reducing over-prescribing:

D) Managing the risk of dependency on prescription drugs:

7 Which of the following tools are used by the PCN to identify and prioritise patients who would benefit from a SMR? (Please select all that apply):

- EMIS searches (either bespoke or ICB)
- NHS BSA Polypharmacy Prescribing comparators
- PINCER
- OpenPrescribing (<http://www.openprescribing.net/>)
- PrescQIPP (<http://www.prescqipp.info/>)
- CPRD (Clinical Practice Research Datalink) prescribing safety reports (<http://www.cprd.com/>)

Any other tool? – Please provide details

8 Describe the PCN process for SMR caseloads so that those patients in greatest need of a SMR are seen in a timely manner:

9 Has the PCN prioritised any of the following areas to focus on?
(Please select all that apply)

- Antimicrobial stewardship
- Items which should not be routinely prescribed in primary care
- STOMP STAMP
- Low carbon inhalers

If none of the above have been selected, please provide further information:

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10 Describe how the PCN are continuing to work with community pharmacies to connect patients appropriately to the New Medicines Service which supports adherence to newly prescribed medicines: