

Re: New GP practices for Nottingham City PCT – Public Consultation

Dear Colleague

I am writing to ask for your assistance towards the public consultation for the new GP practices and health centre planned for Nottingham City.

The three areas of Bestwood, Bilborough and City Centre proposed for the new practices experience higher levels of poor health than across the whole of Nottingham City PCT, and primary care is an important mechanism through which to deliver improvements. The commissioning arrangements for these new services allow an opportunity to consider new approaches on the type and range of services that may be offered, which may improve access and contribute towards the reduction of health inequalities.

Your help would be appreciated in 2 ways:

1. Promotion of the consultation with patients, public and partners in other organisations. This may take the form of opportunistic promotion and/or a designated day where it may be possible to raise this with all of your day's contacts.
2. We would like your views too. If you work in or with primary care:
 - Do you have any suggestions on how primary care services might be further improved in your field?
 - Who might deliver these services e.g. practice staff or others?
 - What impact do you think these may have on patient access or health improvement?
 - And/or anything else you may wish to comment on?

Comments may be made via the PCT Internet: <http://www.nottinghamcity-pct.nhs.uk/> or by completing the last page of the purple consultation document available from all PCT sites. Multiple copies may be obtained from:

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Many thanks for your help

Yours faithfully

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New practices consultation – staff and stakeholders

1. Where should the new GP practices and health centre be located – and why?
2. What opening hours would you like to see for these new GP Practices and/or health centre?
3. Do you have any suggestions on how GP primary care services might be further improved in your field?
4. Who might deliver these services e.g. practice staff or others?
5. What impact do you think these may have on patient access or health improvement?
6. Any other comments or recommendations?

Please return by e-mail to alison.challenger@nottinghamcity-pct.nhs.uk or by post to The Directorate of Health Equality, Standard Court, before the 24th May 2008