

SWAN Primary Care Network



Welcome to our first newsletter!

What is a Primary Care Network?

A primary care network (PCN) consists of groups of general practices working together with a range of local providers, including across primary care, community services, social care and the voluntary sector, to offer more personalised, coordinated health and social care to their local populations. Networks would normally be based around natural local communities typically serving populations of at least 30,000 and not tending to exceed 50,000. They should be small enough to maintain the traditional strengths of general practice but at the same time large enough to provide resilience and support the development of integrated teams.

Our PCN covers **South Wigan & Ashton North (SWAN)** and has approximately a patient population circa of 35000 and we believe we are the optimum size to enable us to continue to work effectively together and improve patient services and health outcomes.

What are PCNs designed to do?

Primary care networks will provide proactive, coordinated care to their local populations, in different ways to match different people's needs, with a strong focus on prevention and personalised care. This means supporting patients to make informed decisions about their own health and care and connecting them to a wide range of statutory and voluntary services to ensure they can access the care they need first time.

Swan PCN will try and focus on the health of our local population and look for ways to reduce health inequalities. We will have better access to information about our local population to support working at scale with other health and social care services by working in collaboration.

FEEDCK/ SUGGESTIONS

Either by completing our Friends & Family slips at your GP practice reception desk.

or

By emailing/phoning our

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Which Practices are part of SWAN PCN?

- Bryn Cross Surgery
- Chandler Surgery
- Hawkley Brook Surgery
- Marus Bridge Practice
- Medicentre
- Shakespeare Surgery
- The Grange Practice
- Winstanley Medical Centre

THE TEAM So far.....

Clinical Director

Dr Nikesh Vallabh

Practice Manager Lead

Sharon Chamley

Operational Lead

Ashleigh Elms

Care Home Project Lead

Lyndsey Jones

Workforce Project Lead

Nadine Bristow

Finance Lead

Shelley Ryder

We are on Facebook

Check in for regular news and updates



Network Updates

Nasal Flu 2019

From November 19 to January 20 the Swan cluster practices have collaboratively vaccinated children between the ages of 2-4 years in nurseries and pre-schools with the Nasal Flu vaccine as well as worked closely with neighboring clusters to vaccinate their patients with great success. This is a great achievement for our PCN and special mention to our Operational Lead Ash for all her hard work in complementing and coordinating this delivery program!

Number nurseries/ Preschools	Total Children Vaccinated	Total Swan patients	Total None Swan patients
14	221	125	96

Care Home Service

We have been working jointly with our community colleagues to improve the overall quality of care provided to people living in Care Homes. To enable us to do this we have a dedicated Advanced Nurse Practitioner assigned to our local Nursing Home to provide individualised care plans care plans and regular ward rounds.

Workforce

Welcome to our new member of staff Nida Aslam, Clinical Pharmacist who will be starting with us on the 17th February 20. We are making arrangements for her to meet you all. Further details to follow.

Enhanced Services

Locally Commissioned Services have historically been delivered individually by practices, sometimes allowing for inter-practice referrals, but without the consistency to ensure that they were accessible to the whole of the local population.

Swan Practices are now working collaboratively, to ensure that services that can be delivered within Primary Care and that there is equity in the delivery of service.

The services that are currently in scope are:

- Anti-coagulation Initiation & Monitoring
- Influenza & Pneumonia Vaccinations
- End of Life Care
- Near Patient Testing
- Ring Pessary
- Minor Surgery DES

OUR PCN PRACTICES

Chandler Surgery, Shakespeare Surgery
Hawkey Brook Medical Practice
The Grange Practice, Marus Bridge Practice
Chandler House
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