

Reference: FOI 22407 GLO 11M

Subject: First Contact Physiotherapists in General Practice

QUESTION	RESPONSE
<p>Note on term First contact physiotherapists in General Practice</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • When an individual contacts their GP they can be offered a consultation with the First contact physiotherapists instead of seeing the GP and without needing to see the GP first. • First contact physiotherapists in General Practice provide assessment, diagnosis, exercise/ self-care advice, and if necessary, referral for investigations or treatment. • They are mainly part of musculoskeletal (MSK) services and see people who contact their GP service with MSK issues. • They may work solely in General Practice (s) or they may be both part of the GP team and a physiotherapy team providing services in community or secondary care. • First contact physiotherapists in General Practice have been given a variety of different job titles 	
<p>1. Please tell us about first contact physiotherapy roles in General Practice in your area by answering the following:</p>	
<p>a) Please confirm/deny whether the areas covered by NHS Gloucestershire CCG has any first contact physiotherapists in General Practice (Yes/No)</p>	<p>None currently in post. Scoping work is being undertaken around a pilot delivery for these roles in primary care.</p>

<p>b) If yes to 1(a) please confirm/deny whether this is a pilot service (Yes/No)</p>	<p>Not applicable</p>
<p>c) If yes to 1(a) please confirm/deny whether it is a permanent service (Yes/No)</p>	<p>Not applicable</p>
<p>d) If yes to 1(b) please confirm/deny whether you have plans to roll out the pilot to other GP surgeries in the areas covered by NHS Gloucestershire CCG (Yes/No)</p>	<p>Not applicable</p>
<p>2. Please tell us about how first contact physiotherapy roles in General Practice in your area are funded by answering the following:</p>	
<p>a) If yes to request 1(a) please confirm/deny whether this is funded all or in part by NHS Gloucestershire CCG (Yes/No)</p>	<p>Not applicable</p>
<p>b) If yes to request 1(a) please confirm/deny whether this is funded all are in part by individual GP (s) or GP federation (s) or GP cluster(s) (Yes/No)</p>	<p>Not applicable</p>
<p>c) If yes to request 1(a) please confirm/deny whether this is funded all or in part from temporary national funding (Yes/No)</p>	<p>Not applicable</p>

<p>d) If yes to request 2(c) please specify what this source of funding is (Name of the fund)</p>	<p>Not applicable</p>
<p>3. Where are the services that are using first contact physiotherapist roles in General Practice</p>	
<p>a) If yes to 1(a) please provide the name of the GP (s) practices or GP federation (s) or GP cluster (s) in the areas covered by NHS Gloucestershire CCG that have first contact physiotherapists working in General Practice (Names(s))</p>	<p>Not applicable</p>
<p>b) If yes to 1(a) please provide the name of the physiotherapy provider (s) in the areas covered by NHS Gloucestershire CCG who delivers a service that has a first contact physiotherapist working in General Practice (Name(s))</p>	<p>Not applicable</p>

The information provided in this response is accurate as of 27 September 2017, and has been authorised for release by Ellen Rule, Director of Transformation & Service Redesign for NHS Gloucestershire CCG.