The Experience of GP Services

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Healthwatch is the official consumer champion for users of health and social care services. We listen to people's stories, good and bad, and report on their collective experience. In this report, we examine the experience of local GP services.

Reporting Period: 1 April 2021 - 31 March 2022



Index and overview of findings

Data Source (Page 4)

This report is based on the experience of 843 people. Feedback has been obtained from a variety of sources, including outreach, surveys and comments posted online (NHS, Care Opinion and social media).

Top Themes (Page 5)

A broad majority of people receive good quality treatment and nursing care. According to feedback, patients would like greater levels of service access, communication, empathy, involvement and support.

Overall sentiment is 44% positive, 55% negative and 1% neutral.

Trends...

According to feedback, overall satisfaction has improved by 1% this quarter.

St James Medical Practice, The Old Church Surgery and Kingshead Medical Practice receive a notable volume and ratio of positive comments, while The Allum Medical Centre receives a notable volume and ratio of negative feedback.

Service Access (Page 6)

People continue to report difficulties with telephone access, associated problems with booking, and longer than expected waits for routine appointments.

Trends...

Satisfaction on service access has improved marginally by 1%, however remains low at 17% positive. Complaints about booking processes and telephone access have decreased, while increasing on waiting lists and online systems.

Comments suggest satisfaction at most practices is noticeably negative overall.

Clinical Treatment and Staff Attitude (Pages 7-8)

Experiences indicate a broad majority of people receive good quality treatment and nursing care, however support is in cases lacking. On staff attitude, there is general praise for clinicians, while notable criticism of reception staff.

Trends...

This quarter, complaints about levels of support have increased by 5%, while decreasing by 3% on staff attitude.

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Administration and Communication (Pages 9-10)

Many people complain of general administration, and some would like greater levels of support from reception staff, and levels of communication service wide. The ability to register, or obtain prescriptions are also cited as issues.

Trends...

Complaints about communication have decreased by a notable 21% this quarter, while decreasing by 5% on administration.

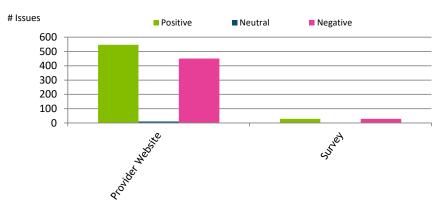
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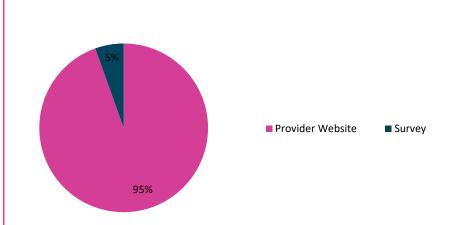
Disclaimer: The trends within this report are based on service user comments we have obtained from sources outlined on Page 4. Comments obtained from these sources may not be representative of all service users experiences or opinions.

1. Data Source and Conditions/Topics



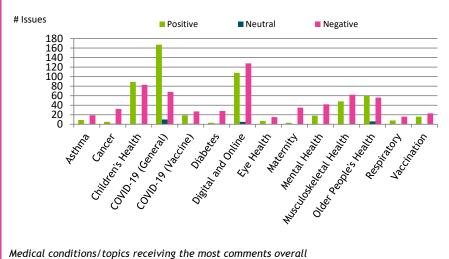


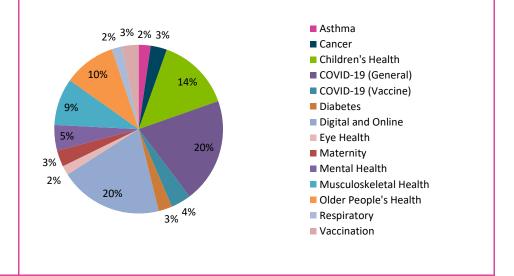




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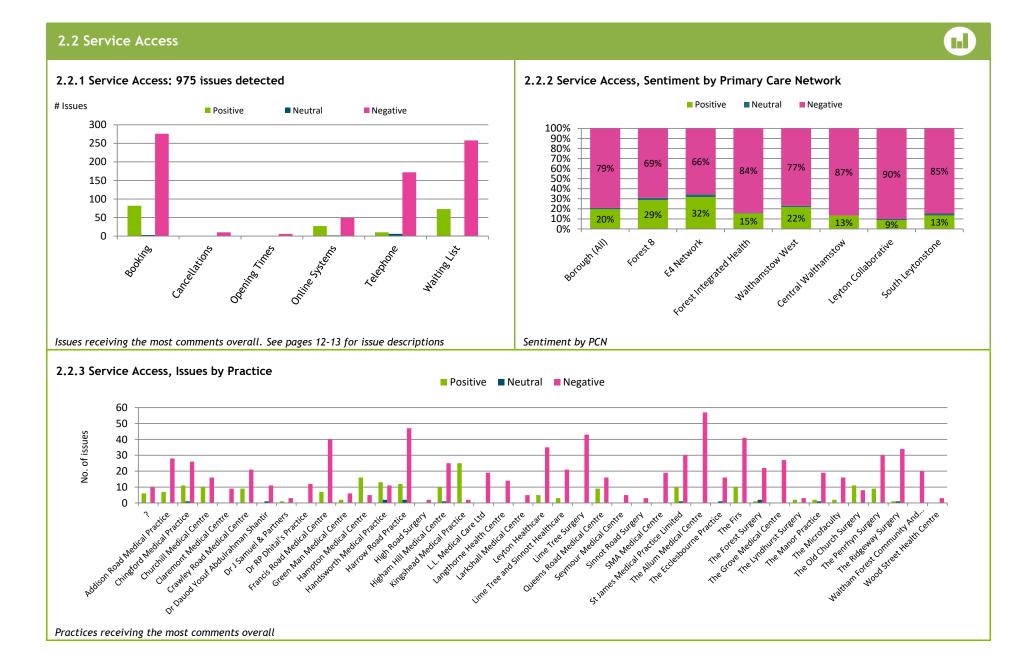
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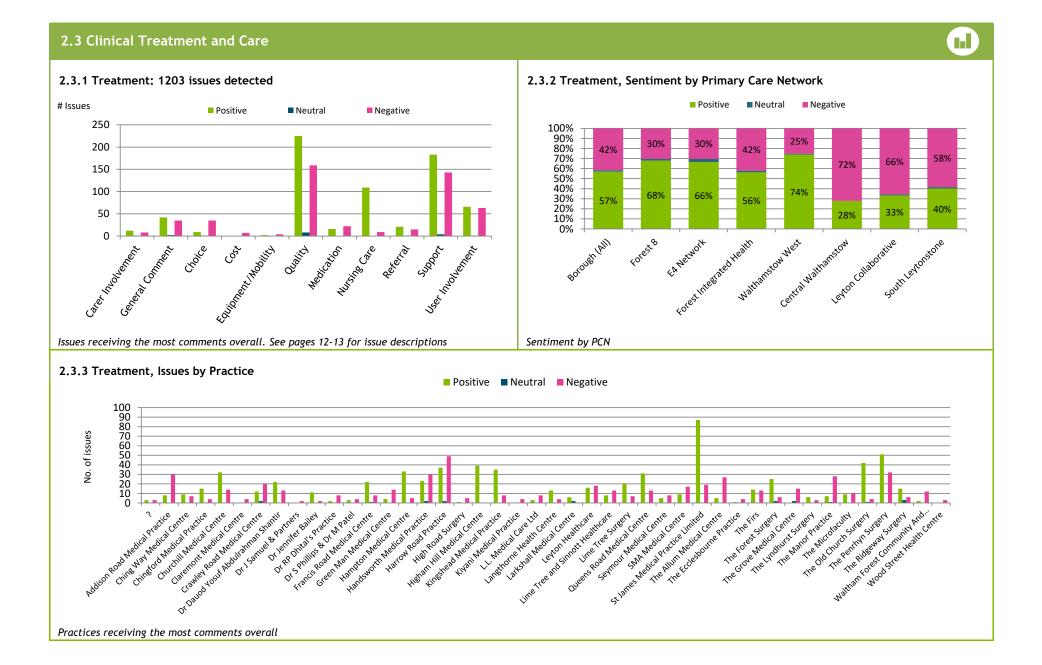






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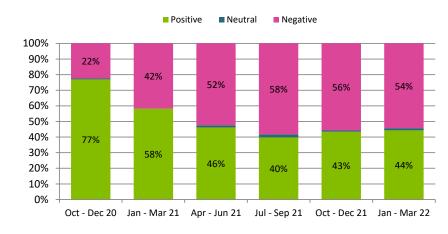
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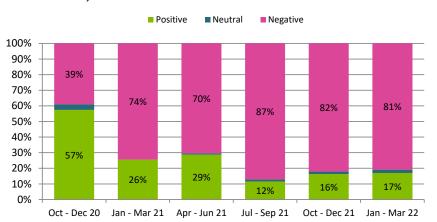
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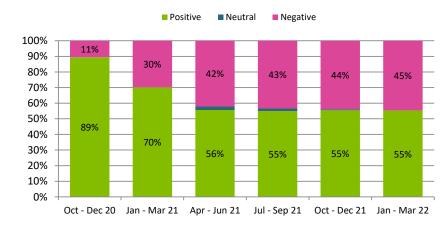
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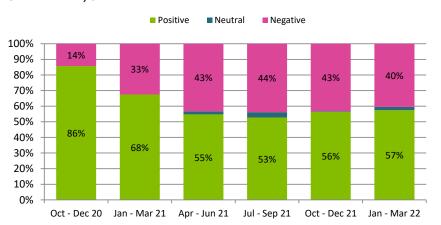
3.2 Service Access, Sentiment



3.3 Treatment and Care, Sentiment



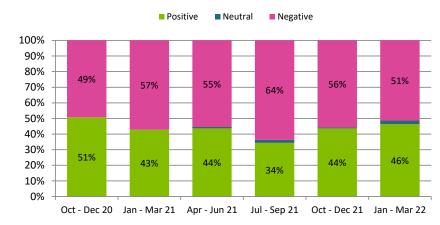
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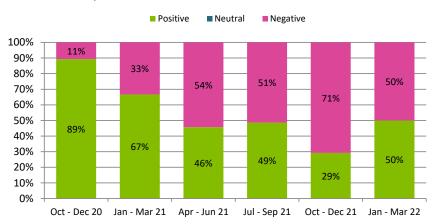
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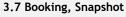


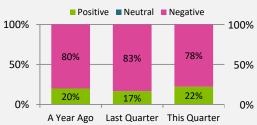
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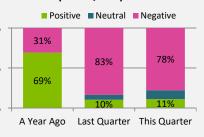
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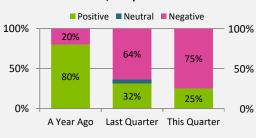




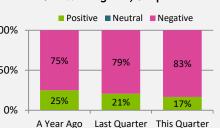
3.8 Telephone, Snapshot



3.9 Online Access, Snapshot



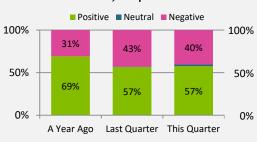
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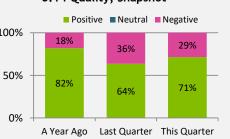
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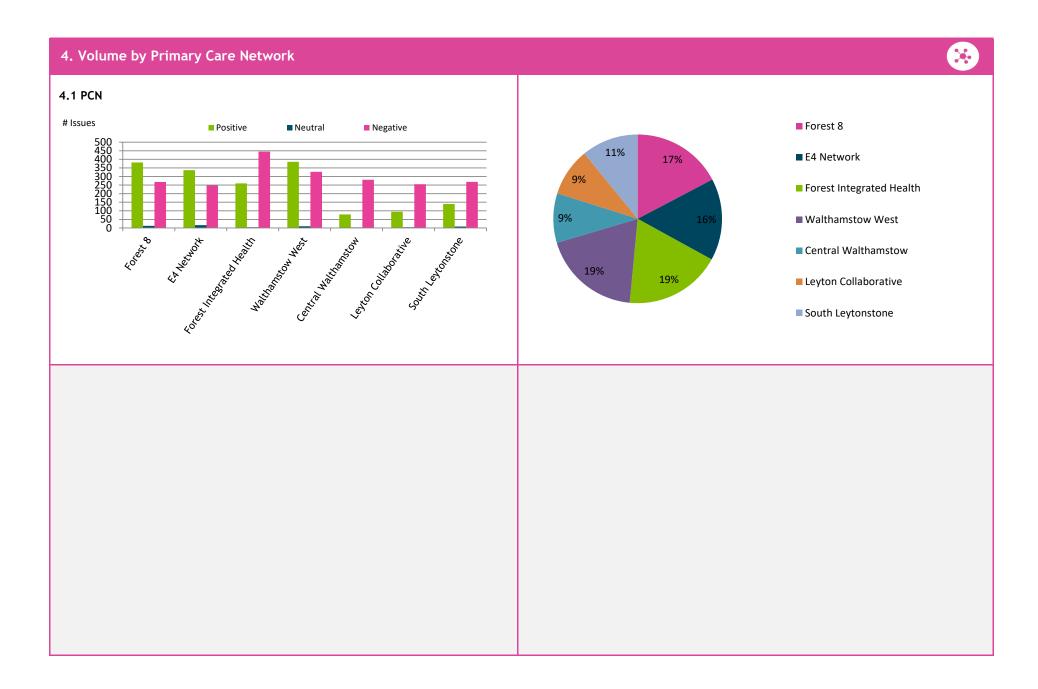


3.13 Staff Attitude, Snapshot



3.14 Quality, Snapshot





5. Data Table: Number of issues



	Issue Name	Descriptor		Danition	# Issu		Total						
S	Advice/Information	Communication, including access to advice and information.	Г	Positive 71	Neutral 0	Negative 56	Total 127						
Patients/Carers	Carer Involvement	Involvement of carers, friends or family members.		15	1	9	25						
	General Comment	A generalised statement (ie; "The doctor was good.")		42	2	35	79						
ent	User Involvement	Involvement of the service user.		99	1	76	79 176						
Pati	Oser involvement	involvement of the service user.		99	1	76	1/6						
	Administration	Administrative processes and delivery.		20	3	111	134						
	Booking	Ability to book, reschedule or cancel appointments.		113	6	329	448						
	Cancellations	Cancellation of appointment by the service provider.		0	0	10	10						
	Data Protection	General data protection (including GDPR).		0	0	0	0						
S	Referral	Referral to a service.		23	1	15	39						
tem	Medical Records	Management of medical records.		0	0	4	4						
Systems	Medication	Prescription and management of medicines.		23	0	44	67						
o)	Opening Times	Opening times of a service.		0	0	6	6						
	Planning	Leadership and general organisation.		7	0	10	17						
	Registration	Ability to register for a service.		8	1	16	25						
	Support	Levels of support provided.		377	8	298	683						
	Telephone	Ability to contact a service by telephone.		10	6	172	188						
	Timing	Physical timing (ie; length of wait at appointments).		16	1	31	48						
	Waiting List	Length of wait while on a list.		74	1	271	346						
	Choice	General choice.		9	1	37	47						
	Cost	General cost.		0	0	9	9						
ģ	Language	Language, including terminology.		0	0	4	4						
Values	Nutrition	Provision of sustainance.		1	0	1	2						
> >	Privacy	Privacy, personal space and property.		0	0	2	2						
	Quality	General quality of a service, or staff.		344	8	201	553						
	Sensory	Deaf/blind or other sensory issues.		0	0	5	5						
	Stimulation	General stimulation, including access to activities.		0	0	0	0						

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	Issue Name	Descriptor		# Issues				
		·		Positive	Neutral	Negative	Total	
Environment	Catchment/Distance	Distance to a service (and catchment area for eligability).		1	0	6	7	
	Environment/Layout	Physical environment of a service.		3	0	18	21	
	Equipment	General equipment issues.		2	0	4	6	
	Hazard	General hazard to safety (ie; a hospital wide infection).		9	0	4	13	
	Hygiene	Levels of hygiene and general cleanliness.		1	0	3	4	
	Mobility	Physical mobility to, from and within services.		0	0	1	1	
	Travel/Parking	Ability to travel or park.		0	0	0	0	
Staff	Omission	General omission (ie; transport did not arrive).		0	0	7	7	
	Security/Conduct	General security of a service, including conduct of staff.		0	0	0	0	
	Staff Attitude	Attitude, compassion and empathy of staff.		463	17	364	844	
	Complaints	Ability to log and resolve a complaint.		1	0	12	13	
	Staff Training	Training of staff.		2	0	13	15	
	Staffing Levels	General availability of staff.		0	0	8	8	
			Total:	1734	57	2192	3983	

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