

# **Enhanced Access to General Practice Service via the PCN DES contract**

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# What is the Enhanced Access section of the PCN DES?

- In early 2022 the Government announced that the PCN DES contract would be altered and a new section introduced
- The Enhanced Access section required PCNs to deliver additional care to their patients (for us that is Rutland as we have only one PCN) in the hours detailed overleaf
- GP Practices could opt out of the PCN DES but would lose the ARRS section of the contract (additional funding for additional activity)
- All the surgeries in Rutland Health PCN stayed with no resignations
- Service starts on October 1<sup>st</sup> 2022

# Nationally - GMS Access vs Enhanced Access

## **GMS contract (GP Contract)**

- Monday to Friday
- 8.00 am to 6.30 pm
- Weekends covered by Out Of Hours service
- GP does not need to be onsite but can supervise MDT remotely
- Extended access some hours either early or late or at the weekend
- Building is open

## **Enhanced Access via the PCN**

- One site of the PCN is to be open Monday to Friday 6.30 pm to 8.00 pm
- One site to be open on a Saturday from 9.00 am to 5.00 pm
- GP does not need to be onsite but can supervise MDT remotely
- No walk in appointments, only scheduled appointments
- Building is open

# Rutland Health PCN Enhanced Access

- Enhanced Access survey received 9000 responses
- The PCN will deliver 44 hours of clinician contact time per week (relating to the 44,000 patients that we serve)
- GPs agreed to be onsite and to deliver face-to-face clinics
- To ensure care remains close to home, and in a manner that is deliverable with our given workforce we will:
  - Rotate the surgeries that open during the week (details overleaf)
  - Rotate the surgeries that open at the weekend (details overleaf)
  - Deliver remote clinics on a Friday with a GP by telephone
- The Acute Care Services at Rutland Memorial Hospital remain unchanged

# Rutland Health PCN Enhanced Access

**Weekdays**                      **6.30 - 8.00 pm**

**Saturdays**                      **9.00 – 5.00 pm**

- Monday                      Oakham
- Tuesday                      Uppingham
- Wednesday                      Market Overton
- Thursday                      Empingham
- Friday                      (Closed – Remote GPs)
- Saturday's                      Rotating (Oakham/Uppingham/Oakham/Empingham)

# Rutland Health PCN Enhanced Access - Weekends

Delegated to a Provider Company based in LLR, who are providing clinical staff who want to work at the weekends

- 2 x Phlebotomists - morning only as blood gets collected at midday
- 2 x Nurses working all day
  
- Nurses delivering Cervical Smears, Long Term Conditions such as Diabetes Checks, supervised by remote GP in Oadby
- Patients booked by their own surgery targeting patients who have trouble accessing healthcare during the working week

# **Rutland Health PCN Enhanced Access - Weekdays**

## **Your surgery open with one of your local GPs**

GPs seeing complicated patients who need extra time, or perhaps patients who need their relatives to be present at the consultation

- Complex Care Reviews
- Cancer Care Reviews
- Palliative Care Reviews

## **Clinical Pharmacists**

- Long term conditions medication reviews
- Patients who have difficulty accessing healthcare during the daytime



# Rutland Health PCN Enhanced Access - Weekends

## Rotational Opening

- Oakham 1<sup>st</sup> weekend of the month
- Uppingham 2<sup>nd</sup> weekend of the month
- Oakham 3<sup>rd</sup> weekend of the month
- Empingham 4<sup>th</sup> weekend of the month
- To be advertised 5<sup>th</sup> weekend of the month

Questions?