

Diabetes enhanced service 2016/17

The enhanced service this year will focus on the following:

- Patients with diabetes receiving 8 of the 9 care processes for diabetes (QOF indicators and NICE)
- Patients at risk of diabetes are identified within general practice and offered the support and advice to reduce their risk of developing diabetes.
- Patients with type 2 diabetes requiring insulin, to be managed within general practice where clinically appropriate.

By commissioning this service differently this year, we aim to:

- significantly increase the number of people with diabetes receiving 8 of the 9 care processes. The CCG is currently an outlier compared to peers.
- increase the identification and support to patients at risk of diabetes and a reduced HBA1c over time.
- maximise the volume of patients with type 2 diabetes on insulin, being managed in general practice where clinically appropriate.
- maximise use of skill mix in GP practices, community setting and secondary care.
- achieve excellent patient experience and emphasis on patient education and support to effectively manage diabetes.

The service specification is currently being finalised and will be shared with practices early July. An update will also be provided at the members meetings in June.

For practices to qualify for achievement against the 8 care processes, practices will need to participate in the National Diabetes Audit. We encourage practices to ensure their data is extracted/provided to the National Diabetes Audit team. The provisional dates for the National Diabetes Audit 2015-2016 are Monday 20 June to Friday 29 July 2016. The audit will collect data for the period 1 January 2015 to 31 March 2016. Practices will only be required to make one audit year submission during this collection window. Please find attached a resource outlining the benefits to participating in the audit. If you have any questions please contact the diabetes team by emailing diabetes@hscic.gov.uk or call 0300 303 5678. Please note lines are open 9:00 – 17:00 Monday to Friday.