

On 1st March, NHSE issued a letter outlining details on the new GP contract which comes into effect on 1st April. We have stripped this down to help you understand what it means for your practice.

General

ICB's	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• CCGs are being replaced by Integrated Care Boards (ICBs) from April who will take over responsibility for commissioning primary care services.
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Funding

QOF	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• QOF income protection comes to an end at the end of this month*.• NHSE is committed to honouring the existing 5 year funding deal, which is due to run until 23/24.
IIF	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Limited expansion of the cardiovascular disease and prevention and diagnosis service, and the anticipatory care and personalised care services• Three new IIF indicators focused on DOAC prescribing (over 70% of AF patients need to be on them)• New indicator for FIT testing for cancer referrals (performed between 7 days before to 14 days after the referral to attract additional funding)

Access

Capacity	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• PCN budget to recruit additional staff increased by £280m to over £1b for 22/23.• PCN's continue to have flexibility to hire into any of 15 different roles.• Doubling of mental health practitioner roles, to support patients with complex mental health needs.
Out of hours	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Extended Access and GP Access combined into 'Enhanced Access' and being managed by PCNs from Oct '22.• Bookable appointments 6:30-8pm weekday evenings and 9am-5pm on Saturdays.• PCN's expected to come up with local plan for their own area. Draft plans due 31st Jul, final iteration agreed by 31st Aug.
Bookings	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Online appointment booking - currently at least 25% of appointments must be available for online booking.• In the new contract, "all appointments which do not require triage are able to be booked online, as well as in person or via the telephone".

Data

Subject Access requests	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Subject Access Requests to continue.• Continuation of funding in Global Sum of £20m for one additional year.• This is relevant to 'accelerated access' or 'prospective access' which come into effect in April (delayed from December) and have a big impact on subject access requests / data access.
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Other

New patients	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 'Modernisation of GP registration', allowing patients to register digitally. No details yet.
Imms	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Minor changes to vaccinations and imms, which reflect updates to the vaccination schedule recommended by the JCVI.

See a more thorough review here <https://www.codepilot.app/posts/gp-contract-2022>.

With the loss of income protection and the changes being made to QOF and IIF, find out how Codepilot can help by connecting us with at:

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