



## Introduction to prototypes

### Blend types

- The prototypes are based on a blended remuneration system where a practice's contract value and remuneration for mandatory services is split between:
  - a **capitation element** for which the practice is expected to have a minimum number of capitated patients on their list
  - an **activity element** for which the practice is expected to deliver a minimum level of activity
- There are two versions of the blended remuneration system being tested in the prototype arrangements. These are known as prototype blends, which are:
  - **blend A** - the capitation element covers the oral health assessment, oral health review and preventive care (current band 1 care) and the activity element covers routine and more complex treatments (current band 2 and band 3 care).
  - **blend B** – the capitation element of the blend covers oral health assessment, oral health review, preventive care and routine treatment (current band 1 and band 2 care) and the activity element payments covers the more complex treatment (current Band 3 care)
- For prototype practices the activity element is known as a prototype UDA
- Each prototype practice has been allocated a blend type at the point of selection
- Allocation of blend type has been undertaken on a random basis, with an equal number of practices in each blend
- The allocated blend type does not affect the clinical pathway approach. This is the case for both blends