

Provider news round-up

May 2018

Below is a list of the communications that were sent to prototype practices from the dental contract reform programme during the month of May.

Please note that it is the responsibility of the contract holder to ensure that the information contained in these emails has been communicated to relevant members of the practice team and acted upon.

Monthly survey – sent May 9 at 15.17

The deadline for completion of the monthly survey for April was Tuesday 22 May 2018.

DCR News

Issue 6 of DCR News the quarterly publication which aims to keep the dental community up to date with the work of the Dental Contract Reform programme was published this month. A copy of the newsletter has been uploaded to the DCR dental programme news webpage, the link is; <https://www.pcc-cic.org.uk/article/dental-programme-news>. Please encourage all members of the practice team and other colleagues to read the newsletter to find out what is happening in regard to the prototype system being tested.

Evaluation Report

The third dental contract reform evaluation report has now been published and can be found using this link: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/dental-contract-reform-evaluation-report-2016-to-2017>

It is intended to provide an overview for the NHS Health Sector, Dental Professionals and Patient Groups of the prototyping programme over the first year and focusses on:

- Access and accessibility
- Quality and appropriateness of care
- Oral health
- Sustainability for dental practices
- Value for money

As with DCR News, please encourage your staff and colleagues to read the report to broaden understanding of the prototype system.

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Wave 4 – Prototype applications

The programme team is currently reviewing all expressions of interest received from practices to become a prototype and expects to be in a position to notify all applicants of the outcome during June 2018.

PRDP4 Forms – availability update

Some practices may have encountered problems obtaining the new PRDP4 forms from PCSE. This was due to UDA practices having mistakenly ordered forms causing the stock to run out. Supplies will be available shortly and NHSBSA are currently liaising with PCSE about the situation.

Up to date information on the availability of all NHS Stationary items will be posted on the PCSE website <https://pcse.england.nhs.uk/news/2018/may/important-update-regarding-paper-stock-itemssupplies-availability/>