

Mapping patient flow to reduce practice demand while improving patient experience

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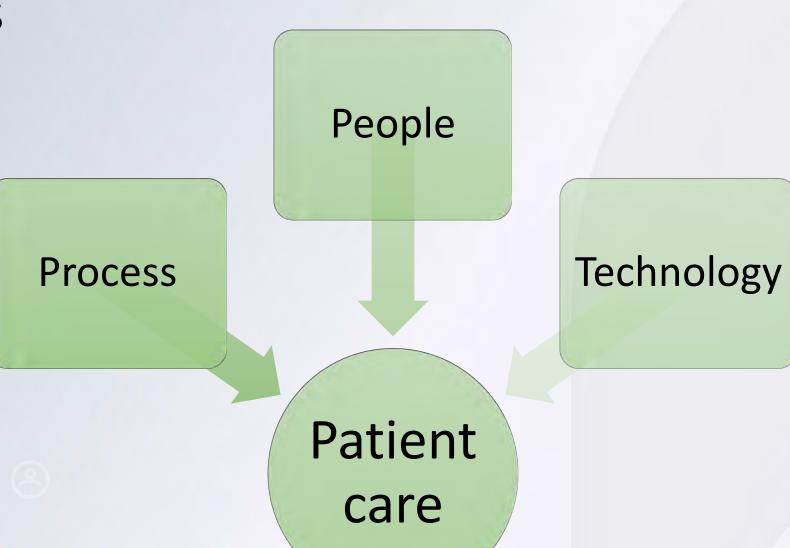
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"Trainers were very clear with lots of knowledge. They demonstrated the best ways to implement and when we receive our reports we will know exactly what to do."







"Very knowledgeable speaker. Glad I brought my report for my practice... can understand my report better now."





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"Very helpful – explained scenarios, quick use of linked shortcuts and consultations for better use of codes."



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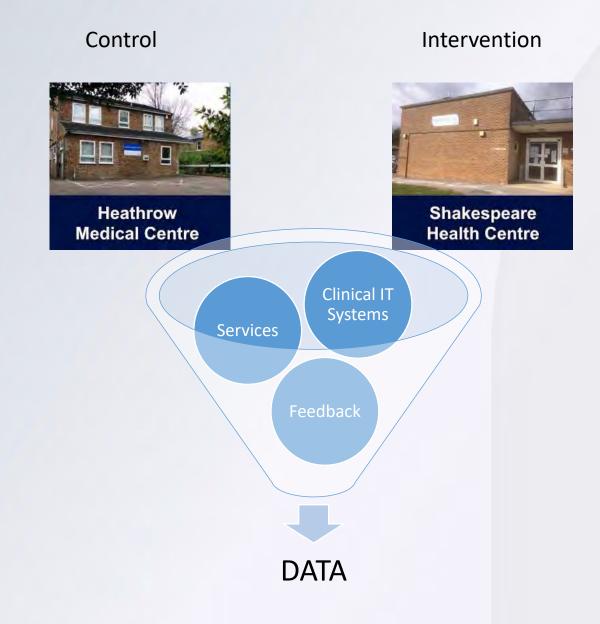
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Technology team in India consisting of six engineers



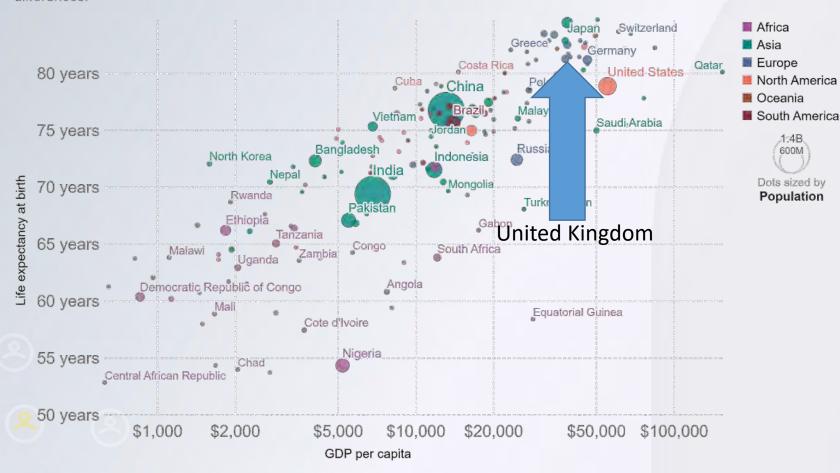




Life expectancy vs. GDP per capita, 2018



GDP per capita is measured in 2011 international dollars, which corrects for inflation and cross-country price differences.







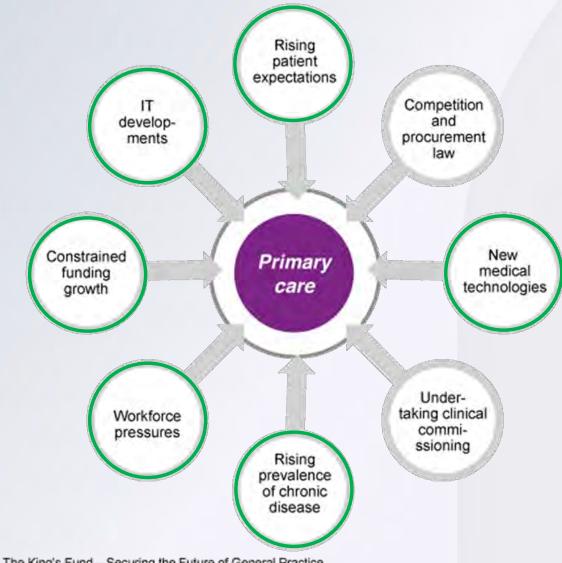






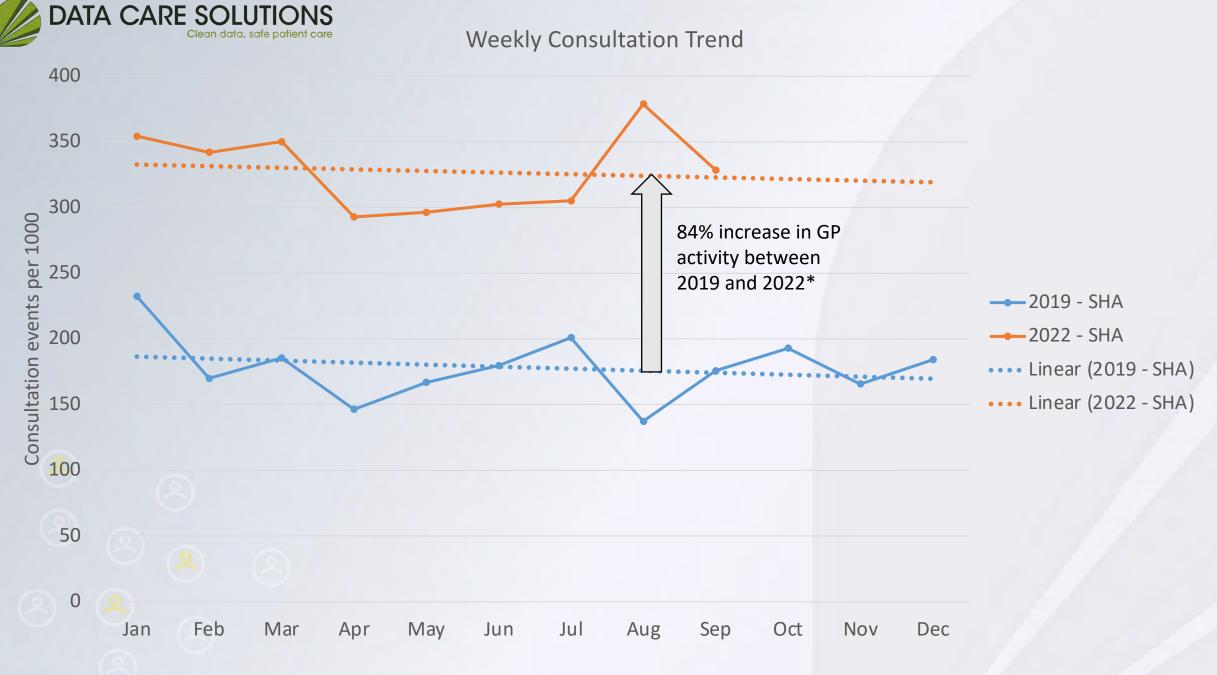


Pressures on primary care in England









^{*} Source: Shakespeare Health Centre. GP consultations types; face to face, telephone, admin, SMS, video, visit



Applying ML methods to predicting alternative clinicians



Supervised Learning Classification

Regression

Unsupervised Learning

Clustering

ML



Why predict alternative clinicians?

Prospective

- Better triage
- Improved patient pathways
- Reduce variation

Retrospective

- Understand current efficiency
- Plan for optimum practice/PCN skill mix
- Target training needs (e.g. prescriber pharmacists to manage pain)







860 consultations





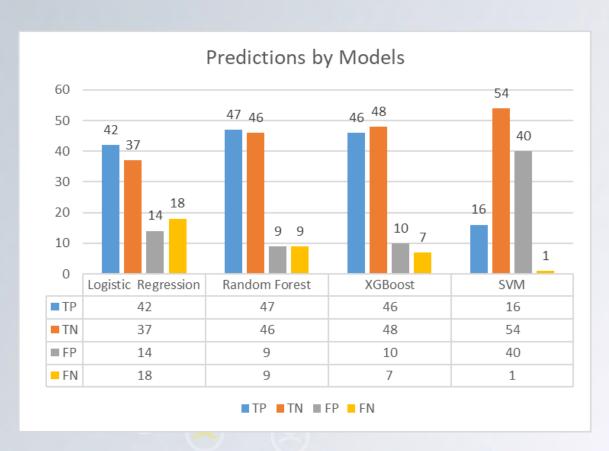


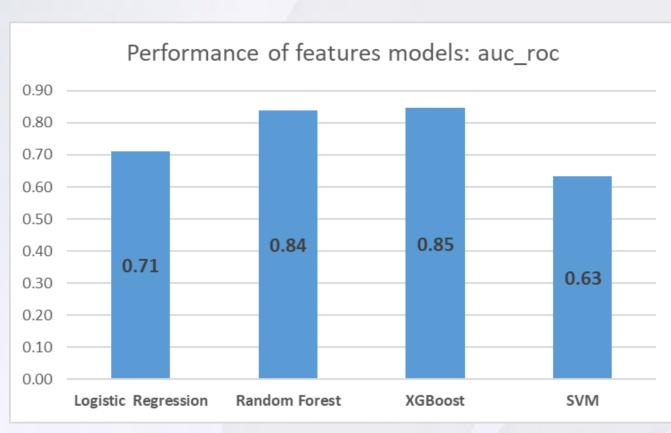






Results for feature models





TP = True Positives (the model correctly predicts a positive GP result)

TN = True Negatives (the model correctly predicts a negative non-GP result)

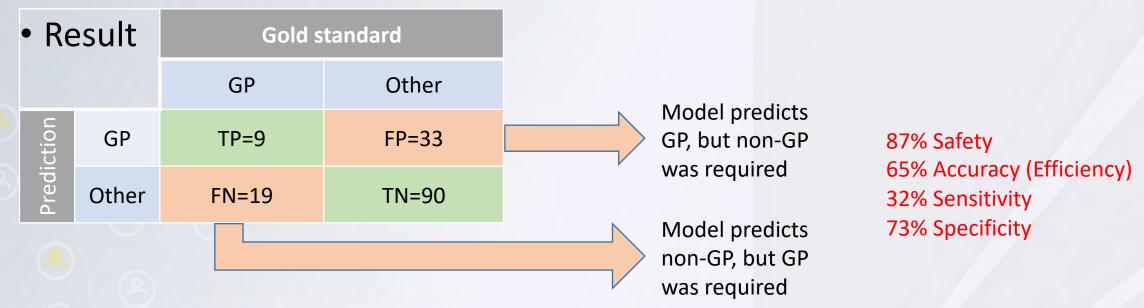
FP = False positives (the model incorrectly predicts a positive GP result)

FN = False negatives (the model incorrectly predicts negative non-GP result)



Are the results generalisable?

- Alternative clinician predicted made for all GP consultations
- Scope: 1 month (Oct 22)
- Target: 1508 consultation identified and all predicted
- Validated: 151 (10%) audited to check the accuracy of predictions



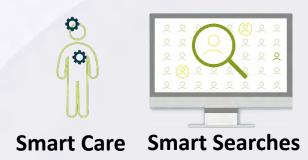


Next steps for generalisability

• Challenges – Getting gold standard results at scale

- Improve the quality of features
 - Consider use of Deep Learning to identify potential new features
 - Consider semi-supervised learning:
 - Minor conditions that can be managed by "non-GP"
 - Use of red flags
- Use text data for improved features

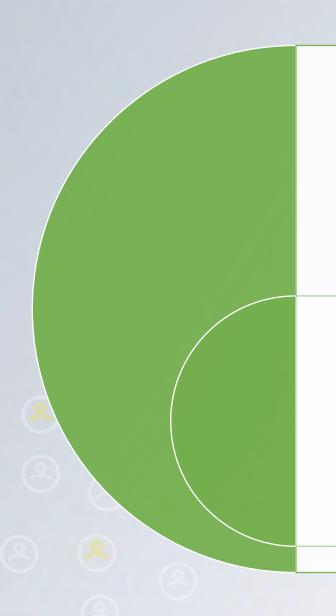






A PCN Case Study





Demand

- Online access
- Incoming telephone calls
- Practice-led

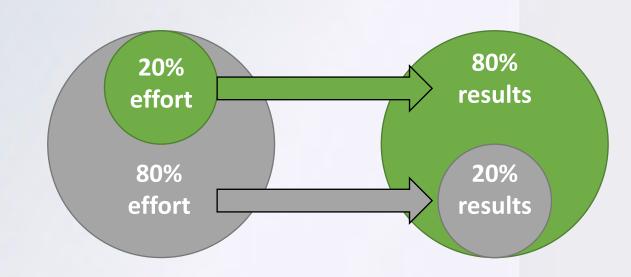
Capacity

- Consultation workload
- Clinician efficiency
- Alternative pathways



80:20 Principle

- The Pareto principle states that for many outcomes, roughly 80% of consequences come from 20% of causes.
- Examples
 - 80% of a company's output is produced by 20% of its workers
 - 80% of the public uses 20% of their computers' features
 - 80% of crimes are committed by 20% of criminals

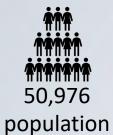




A PCN based in London



4 practices





460 consultations



40 frequent attenders

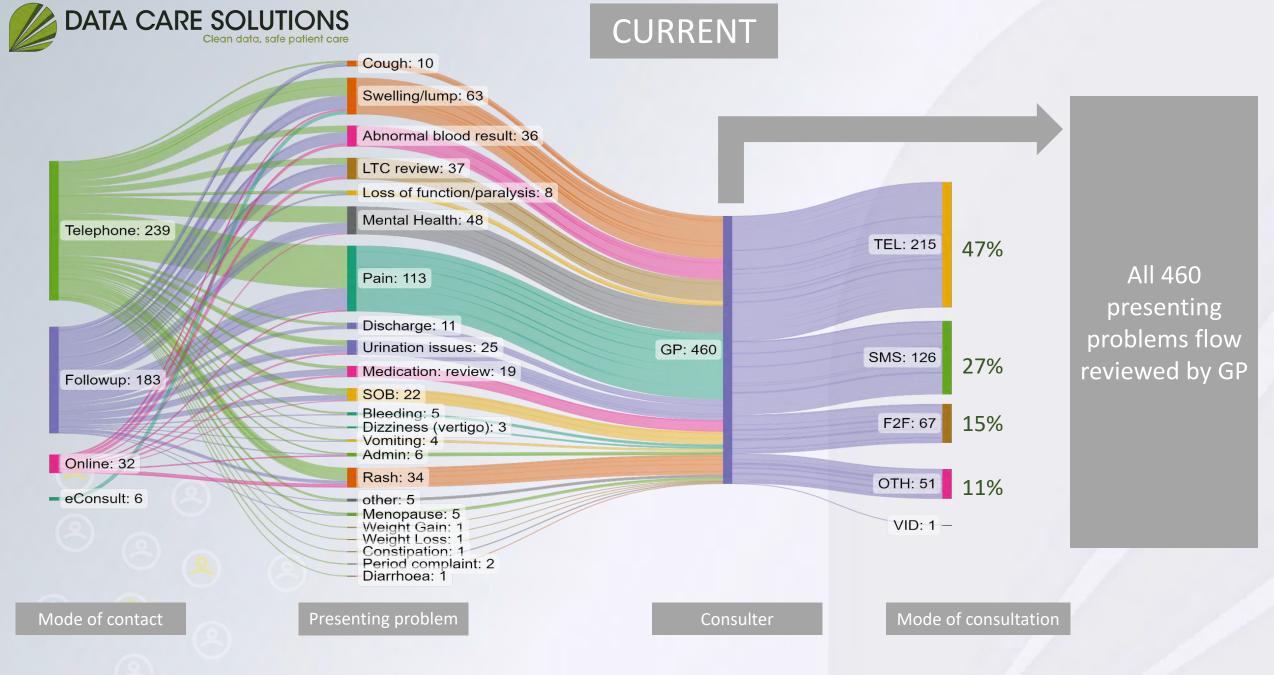




6 month period



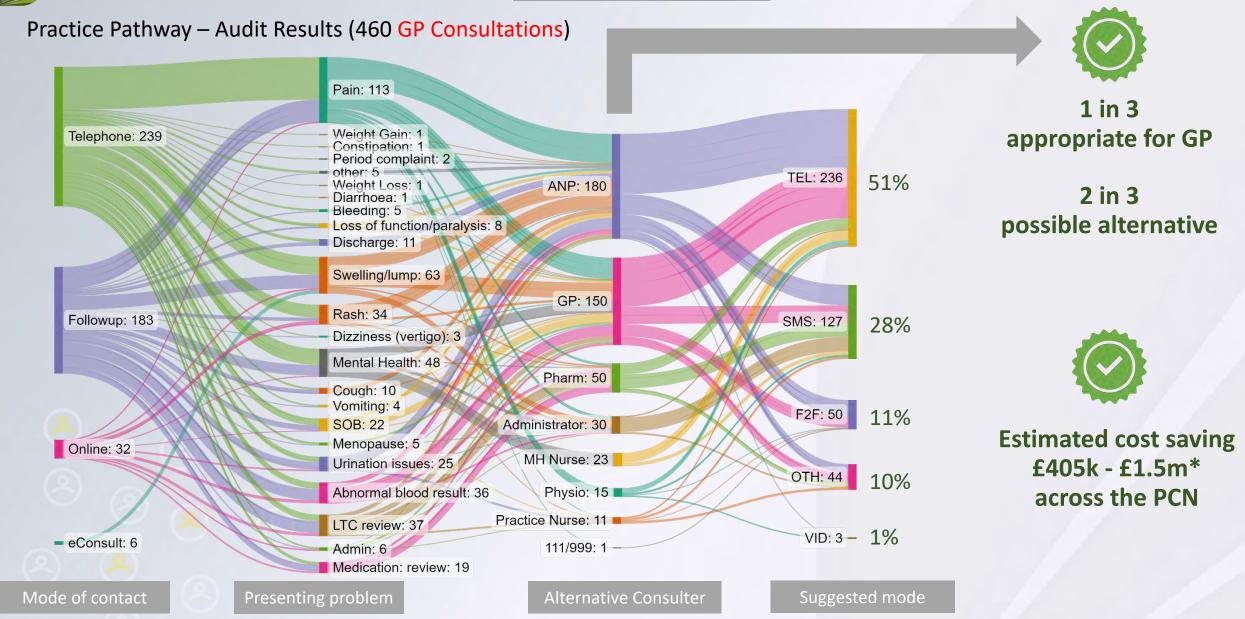




Source: Audit of 460 EMIS consultation entries from 40 frequent attenders selected from 400 random patients with at least one GP consultation between 31 May 2021 – 31 May 2022. Duplicate entries were excluded.



ALTERNATIVE



Source: Data Sources: Clinical consultation entries by GPs between 1 Dec 2021-31 May 2022. (EMIS Web report, duplicated consultation entries removed). *Savings calculated according to the percentages in this audit scaled to total GP consultation activity in a year, see the assumptions page for more details.

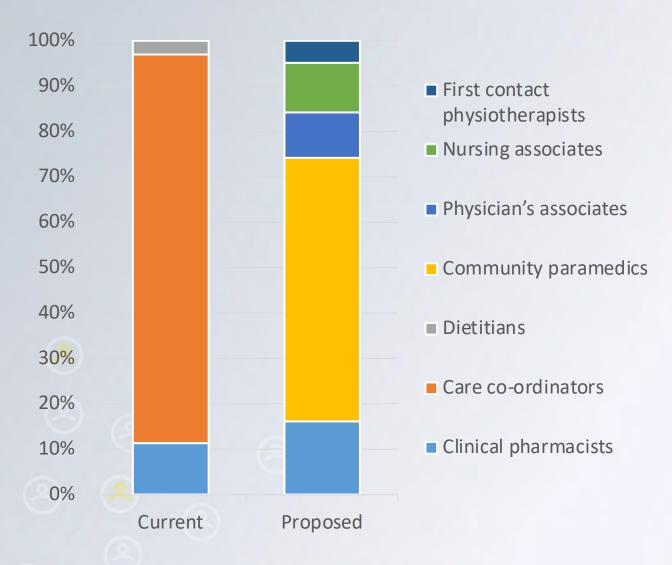


80% of savings by top 7 problems

Pain £ Swelling/lump £ Rash £ Mental Health £ LTC review £	580.92 228.50 222.00 216.83 208.58
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Urination issues £	126.75
Abnormal blood result £	98.17
Medication: review £	97.83
SOB £	71.42
Discharge £	64.17
Cough £	45.00
Loss of function/paralysis £	41.67
Bleeding £	21.67
Admin £	13.92
Period complaint £	10.83
Constipation £	8.33
Weight Gain £	8.33
Dizziness (vertigo) £	8.33
Menopause £	4.25
Vomiting £	2.50
Weight Loss £	-
Diarrhoea £	-
Grand Total £	2,080.00



SKILL MIX



Estimated remaining ARRS budget £475,000

AARS Role	Band	WTE		Max		Cost
Clinical pharmacists	7-8a	1	£	59,312	£	59,312
Pharmacy technicians					£	-
First contact physiotherapists					£	-
Physician's associates					£	/ -/
Dietitians	7	0.25	£	57,465	£	14,366
Podiatrists					£	-
Occupational therapists					£	-
Community paramedics					£	-
Nursing associates					£	-
Social prescribing link workers					£	-
Care co-ordinators	4	8	£	31,746	£	253,968
Health and wellbeing coaches					£	- 7
Current Total					£	327,646







Triage experiment

	Baseline	Intervention	Change
Workforce (clinical WTE)	1.7 GP + 1.5 HCPs	1.0 GP+ 1.5 HCPs + 0.5 ACP	0.7 GP
Cost	N/A	20%	Reduced**
Patient access (response time)	By the end of the <u>next</u> working day	24hrs	Improved
Patient experience (Friends and Family recommendation)^	61%	83%	Improved

Key notes:

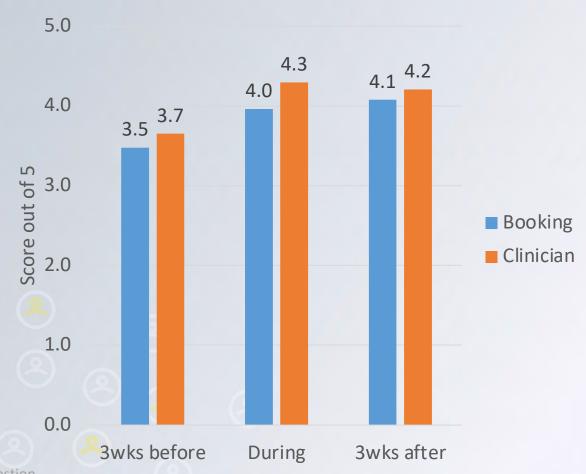
^{*}Promised all eConsults reviewed by GP same day if they submitted before 2pm

^{**} Assuming Band 8 ACP

[^]Brief survey sent by SMS to ALL patients with GP consultations



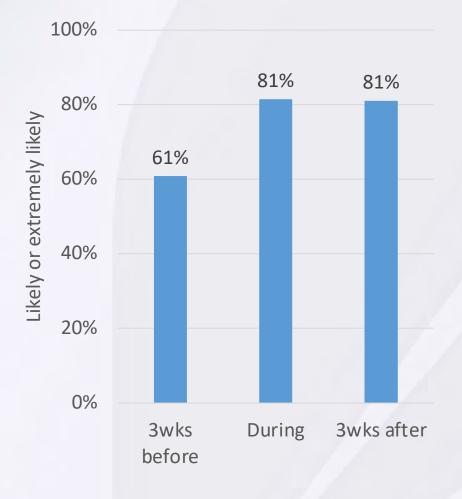
How you rate booking process & clinician?



Question

2. How would you rate the clinician who contacted you Feedback from 87 patients

Would you recommend to friends and family



Question 3. How likely are you to recommend our GP surgery to friends and family if they needed similar care or treatment?

^{1.} How would you rate your booking experience



Consultation event by GP (A)

Consultation event by GP B

Patient journey (Bounce back)



1. Patient:

- a) Anxiety-led behaviour
- b) Miscommunication
- c) Misunderstanding of clinical information

2. Clinician:

- a) Confidence
- b) Risk averseness
- c) Lack of awareness of clinical guidance

3. Event:

- a) Practice processes
- b) Condition remains
- c) Deterioration of condition