

Statement of purpose

Health and Social Care Act 2008

Part 2

Aims and objectives

Please read the guidance document *Statement of purpose: Guidance for providers*.

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What are your aims and objectives in providing the regulated activities and locations shown in part 3 of this statement of purpose

The Yorkshire Health Network is a Federation of 17 GP practices in the Harrogate and Rural District who work together to deliver local, high-quality primary care that is better for patients. By working together we can achieve economies of scale and develop new services for the whole district. Everything we do aims to deliver better care for our patients. The network of practices covers a population of approximately 164,500 patients.

The 17 practices consist of:

Dr Akester & Partners, Masham

Nidderdale Group Practice, Pateley Bridge

Church Lane Surgery, Boroughbridge

Springbank Surgery, Green Hammerton

Dr Ingram & Partners, Ripon

Ripon Spa Surgery, Ripon

North House Surgery, Ripon

Beech House Surgery, Knaresborough

Stockwell Road Surgery, Knaresborough

Eastgate Medical group, Knaresborough

East Parade Surgery, Harrogate

Kingswood Surgery, Harrogate

The Leeds Road Practice, Harrogate

Moss Healthcare, Harrogate

Park Parade Surgery, Harrogate

The Spa Surgery, Harrogate

Church Avenue Medical Group, Harrogate

All 17 practices are all included in the 4 PCN's (Primary Care Networks) that work closely with Yorkshire Health Network. The 4 PCN's are:

Heart of Harrogate

Mowbray Square Medical Centre

Knaresborough and Rural

Ripon and Masham

Our Enhanced Access service provides pre-bookable routine primary care appointments for patients. These are for patients within all 4 primary care networks in the Harrogate and Rural District area. Appointments can be booked for patients by their registered surgery at hubs which will cover all of the district population. The three hubs are based in Harrogate, Knaresborough and Ripon. YHN works with the primary care Clinical Directors to offer these

appointments in line with the PCN DES and local need.

The three Enhanced Access hub sites consist of YHN's CQC registered clinical rooms at Grove Park Court, Harrogate, one local GP surgery in Knaresborough (Beech House) and one NHSPS owned building (The Leon Smallwood Unit at Ripon Hospital). As such YHN strives to provide the highest possible standards of clinical facilities and care for our patients. Yorkshire Health Network strives to provide better access for patients of all ages to routine primary care across Harrogate and Rural District areas.

YHN also offers a travel vaccination service for patients from 13 member practices to book patients for appropriate travel advice and vaccination. This is provided at the Grove Park Court site.

YHN offers some private spirometry provision at Grove Park Court clinical treatment rooms through BUPA.

YHN also offers a ProActive Care Team (PACT) on behalf of the 4 PCN's. The ProActive Care Team (PACT) consists of occupational therapists and care coordinators who provide a holistic health service to older adults living with frailty. These patients are known to and recommended by their registered GP practice, as those who could benefit from a home wellbeing assessment. The PACT team work with practices to ensure that patients understand that they have been recommended for an occupational therapy wellbeing assessment and arranged to visit the patient at home to offer this service. PACT interventions help reduce health inequalities by treating patients who cannot easily access existing service provision. The PACT service is inclusive of any medical background, supporting patients to address difficulties that their health issues may cause with everyday activities. The Team aims to support patients to remain safe and as independent as possible at home. PACT always prioritise effective lone working safeguards and staff safety alongside patient safety. The team is now an embedded service for the Primary Care Networks (PCNs) and is supported by the Integrated Care Board (ICB).

YHN supports the Heart of Harrogate PCN in employing a care home team on their behalf. Harrogate population has a higher proportion of elder residents compared to the national average and an increasing number of care homes. Providing quality general practice to these care homes is challenging and the care home team operates with Enhanced care practitioners, nurses, pharmacists, admin staff and managers. Clinical governance and guidance for patient care remains with the registered practice and YHN employs the staff for this service in order to enable this care. Employment checks are undertaken with YHN's employment policies.

YHN is working with local provider [Dementia Forward](#) to enable memory support advisors a referral route from primary care and access (with data governance) to patients records with appropriate consent. This service is primarily for the increasing numbers of patients with memory decline (often without a diagnosis of dementia). This reflects the population health of our area and looks to reduce inequalities due to memory decline.

YHN VISION:
Sustainable Local Primary Care

YHN VALUES:

- **We care about the people we work with**
- **We are trustworthy**
- **We add value**
- **We are accountable.**

YHN PURPOSE (3-5 years updated January 2024):

- **Work strategically with partners to support sustainability of primary care for local people**
- **Enable services for primary care locally, promoting shared working and collaboration**
- **Support our primary care networks development and function**

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