

Primary Care Networks

From 1 July 2019, all GP practices - including ours - will start to work together in 'Primary Care Networks' (PCNs), to share their expertise and resources over wider geographical area.

The NHS's Long Term Plan, published in January 2019, aims to integrate a lot of services which have traditionally worked separately - like mental health services, physiotherapy and social care. By working together in a PCN, practices like ours can offer you a wider range of services than we can on our own, and give you much faster and more efficient access to the right care and support.

Each PCN will develop teams of healthcare professionals, including GPs, pharmacists, community paramedics, physiotherapists and other health workers, to provide tailored care for patients in their community. A 'Social Prescriber' will be appointed in each PCN to help direct people to a whole range of nonmedical services, like social clubs, community support groups and exercise activities, that will help them take greater control of their own health and stay well.

Within the Fareham area, PCNs will deliver personal care valued by patients and GPs, and allow better collaboration between us and other practices. Locally, our PCN details are as follows:

PCN	Practices	Clinical Lead	Managing Lead
Fareham East PCN	Centre Practice Westlands Medical Centre Portchester Practice Gudgeheath Lane Surgery	Dr Kieran Gilmartin	Sue Crowley