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# Improving Practice Questionnaire Report

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Dear Mrs Cullen

This report outlines your patient feedback from the Improving Practice Questionnaire (IPQ). Your results have been illustrated in tables and graphs with associated benchmarks where applicable. Details of score calculation and statistical methods have been provided to help you in the interpretation and understanding of your results. You will also receive an A4 poster summarising your results and a certificate of completion which you may like to display to patients to indicate that you value their views in order to inform positive change within your practice.

If you are carrying out this survey in order to help meet the requirements of the patient participation directed enhanced service (DES) for GMS contract, a guidance template for discussion of these local survey findings and an action plan have been included which may help facilitate discussions with your patient reference group (PRG).

The format of this report has been updated, which we hope will provide you with a clearer picture of performance.

We hope these results give you useful feedback as to how patients rated the practice and its service, and provide you with a basis for reflection. In order to enable us to improve our services we would be grateful if you could complete a feedback form using the following link:

http://www.cfepsurveys.co.uk/questionnaires/feedback/default.aspx?psid=162398

Please contact the office on 0845 5197493 or reports@cfepsurveys.co.uk if you require further information about your report.

Yours sincerely

Helen Powell Survey Manager

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#### Introduction

#### About the IPQ

The IPQ is a well-established questionnaire widely used in the UK.

Since 2004, over 3,000,000 patients have completed an IPQ providing valuable patient feedback to over 4,000 practices and over 16,000 health practitioners, many of these practices and health practitioners having completed the survey on more than one occasion.

Extensive published validation studies have established that the IPQ is a reliable and sensitive tool: accurately measuring patient satisfaction in designated areas and is sensitive to change - if the IPQ is carried out on more than one occasion any change in patient perception of service can be clearly and reliably monitored.

This report outlines the feedback that has been collected and analysed from a sample of your patients. Full explanation on how to interpret this information can be found in the report. We hope that this feedback is useful and a basis for reflection.

A sample of the IPQ questionnaire is included at the end of this report for reference.

#### About the benchmarks

Benchmarks are a useful guide as to how your practice performed in relation to all the practices who have carried out an IPQ survey. Benchmark data provided relates to either all practices or according to practice list size (the practice list size benchmarks displayed in this report are representative of your practice), as we have established this plays a part in scores achieved. However, it should be noted that other factors such as geographical location and clinical setting may also affect scores and benchmarks may not always be truly representative. Furthermore as it is not mandatory for a practice to carry out an IPQ survey, benchmarks provided are effectively based on data collected from a *volunteer* sample. Volunteer samples often perform better than an 'average' sample which could make the benchmarks provided artificially high.

#### Your feedback

From the report you will be able to clearly pinpoint areas where you scored well and also those areas where you might feel that improvements may be needed. However, it is advisable to take time to assimilate all the feedback and to avoid scanning the report and noting specific scores on which too much emphasis can be placed. In fact, the clearest reflection of patient satisfaction can often be seen in the frequency and distribution of patient ratings and in their written comments.

A page by page guide to the interpretation of your report has been incorporated in the supporting documentation at the end of this report which you may find useful.

#### Other useful information

Together with your report you will receive:

- An A4 poster: to enable you to share the results of your local survey with the patients in your practice.
- A 'Guidance template for discussion of local findings and action plan': completion of which may help you meet the requirements of the patient participation directed enhanced services (DES) for GMS contract, if required.

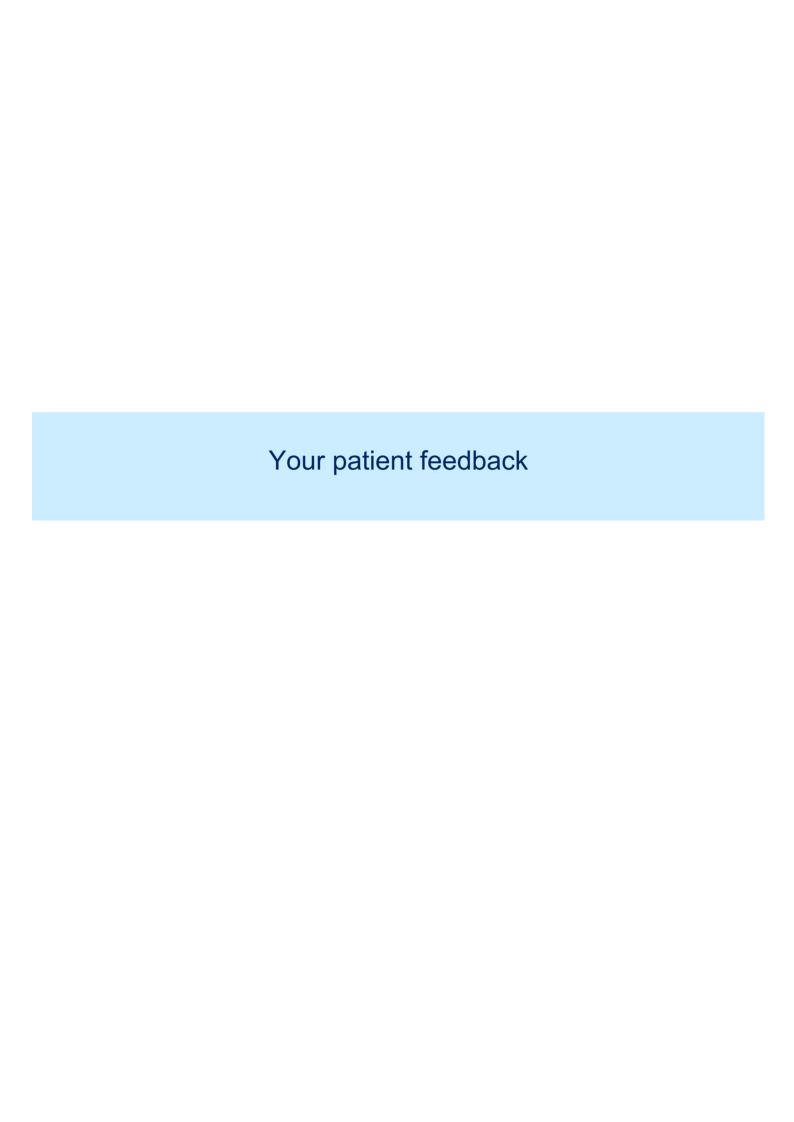


Table 1: Distribution and frequency of ratings, questions 1-28

Question	Poor	Fair	Good	Very Good	Excellent	Blank/spoilt
Q1 Opening hours satisfaction	0	3	13	32	35	1
Q2 Telephone access	0	0	8	26	50	0
Q3 Appointment satisfaction	0	1	15	24	44	0
Q4 See practitioner within 48hrs	0	1	22	26	34	1
Q5 See practitioner of choice	1	2	16	36	29	0
Q6 Speak to practitioner on phone	1	8	15	18	18	24
Q7 Comfort of waiting room	0	0	26	30	27	1
Q8 Waiting time	0	6	14	30	33	1
Q9 Satisfaction with visit	1	2	5	26	49	1
Q10 Warmth of greeting	0	2	7	13	62	0
Q11 Ability to listen	2	0	7	15	60	0
Q12 Explanations	2	0	9	19	54	0
Q13 Reassurance	2	0	9	22	51	0
Q14 Confidence in ability	2	0	9	18	55	0
Q15 Express concerns/fears	2	0	5	25	52	0
Q16 Respect shown	0	1	8	16	57	2
Q17 Time for visit	0	2	8	21	53	0
Q18 Consideration	1	1	8	25	48	1
Q19 Concern for patient	0	2	11	18	52	1
Q20 Self care	0	2	11	18	51	2
Q21 Recommendation	2	0	10	13	56	3
Q22 Reception staff	0	1	6	18	57	2
Q23 Respect for privacy/confidentiality	0	0	9	17	57	1
Q24 Information of services	0	0	11	22	49	2
Q25 Complaints/compliments	0	0	20	27	32	5
Q26 Illness prevention	0	0	21	26	36	1
Q27 Reminder systems	0	4	11	31	37	1
Q28 Second opinion / comp medicine	1	2	12	30	31	8

Blank/spoilt responses are not included in the analysis (see score explanation)



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Table 2: Your mean percentage scores and benchmarks from all participating practices

	Your mean		Benc	hmark da	ata (%)*		
	score (%)	National mean score (%)	Min	Lower quartile	Median	Upper quartile	Max
About the practice							
Q1 Opening hours satisfaction	80	69	23	64	68	73	92
Q2 Telephone access	88	62	13	53	63	71	92
Q3 Appointment satisfaction	83	68	23	63	68	74	92
Q4 See practitioner within 48hrs	78	62	18	54	62	70	96
Q5 See practitioner of choice	77	58	22	48	57	65	95
Q6 Speak to practitioner on phone	68	61	25	54	61	67	92
Q7 Comfort of waiting room	75	66	27	60	66	71	90
Q8 Waiting time	77	56	25	50	56	62	90
About the practitioner							
Q9 Satisfaction with visit	86	80	41	76	81	85	97
Q10 Warmth of greeting	90	82	45	78	82	86	96
Q11 Ability to listen	89	82	46	78	83	87	97
Q12 Explanations	87	81	42	77	81	85	97
Q13 Reassurance	86	79	41	75	80	84	98
Q14 Confidence in ability	87	82	43	79	83	87	99
Q15 Express concerns/fears	87	80	45	76	81	85	96
Q16 Respect shown	89	84	49	80	85	88	98
Q17 Time for visit	87	79	38	75	80	84	96
Q18 Consideration	86	79	41	75	79	83	98
Q19 Concern for patient	86	80	43	76	80	84	97
Q20 Self care	86	79	38	75	79	83	97
Q21 Recommendation	87	81	41	78	82	86	99
About the staff	O.	01		70	02	00	00
Q22 Reception staff	90	76	29	72	77	81	96
Q23 Respect for privacy/confidentiality	89	76	43	72	76	80	96
Q24 Information of services	87	73	29	68	73	77	96
Finally							
Q25 Complaints/compliments	79	66	31	62	66	70	96
Q26 Illness prevention	80	69	34	64	68	72	96
Q27 Reminder systems	80	68	27	63	68	72	96
Q28 Second opinion / comp medicine	79	67	30	62	67	71	96
Overall score	84	73	35	69	73	77	95

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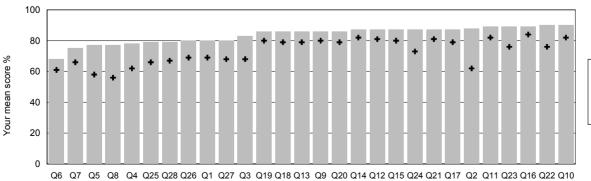
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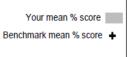
\*Based on data from 927 practices carrying out 1,326 surveys between April 2010 and March 2013 with 25 or more responses.

Please note the reliability of your patient feedback may be marginally reduced if less than 25 patient ratings per question is achieved (see table 1). In the event that there are less than 5 patient responses for any question, the corresponding score will not be illustrated.

Please see the supporting documents at the end of this report for percentage score calculation and quartile information.

Graph 1: Your mean percentage scores in ascending order of performance with benchmark mean scores from all participating practices





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Table 3: Mean percentage scores and benchmarks by practice list size (2001-4000 patients)

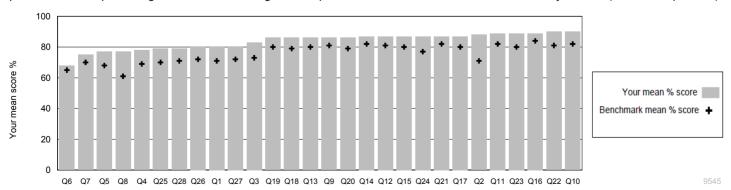
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	score (%)	National mean score	Min	Lower	Median	Upper quartile	Max
About the practice							
Q1 Opening hours satisfaction	80	71	42	66	72	77	91
Q2 Telephone access	88	71	35	64	73	80	91
Q3 Appointment satisfaction	83	73	38	67	74	80	92
Q4 See practitioner within 48hrs	78	69	31	61	69	77	93
Q5 See practitioner of choice	77	68	33	60	69	76	92
Q6 Speak to practitioner on phone	68	65	38	58	66	72	92
Q7 Comfort of waiting room	75	70	44	64	71	76	90
Q8 Waiting time	77	61	35	53	61	69	90
About the practitioner							
Q9 Satisfaction with visit	86	81	54	76	82	87	97
Q10 Warmth of greeting	90	82	57	77	83	88	96
Q11 Ability to listen	89	82	55	77	83	88	97
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See the supporting documents at the end of this report for percentage score calculation and quartile information.

Graph 2: Your mean percentage scores in ascending order of performance with benchmark mean scores by list size (2001-4000 patients)





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<sup>\*</sup>Based on data from 185 practices carrying out 248 surveys between April 2010 and March 2013 with 25 or more responses.

Table 4: Your patient demographics

Number of patient responses by category, your mean percentage scores and benchmarks by practice list size (2001-4000 patients)

Number of	Your mean		Benchmark data (%)*				
responses	score (%)	National mean score (%)	Minimum	Lower Quartile	Median	Upper Quartile	Maximur

#### Age

Under 25	8	78
25 - 59	38	86
60 +	33	82
Blank	5	87

73	46	67	73	80	95
75	50	71	76	81	94
78	47	74	79	83	96
73	47	65	73	80	100

#### Gender

Female	40	82
Male	39	85
Blank	5	87

76	48	70	77	82	93
77	51	73	77	82	95
73	43	66	74	81	99

#### Visit usual practitioner

Yes	69	86
No	9	71
Blank	6	80

77	50	73	78	82	95
72	38	66	72	79	93
74	49	68	73	80	99

#### Years attending

< 5 years	12	81
5 - 10 years	18	84
> 10 years	47	85
Blank	7	82

76	51	71	77	81	93
75	49	70	76	81	95
76	48	72	77	82	96
73	47	66	74	81	100

<sup>\*</sup>Based on data from 185 practices carrying out 248 surveys between April 2010 and March 2013 with 25 or more responses.

Demographic category mean percentage scores are calculated from all the ratings from all questions for that demographic group.

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All written patient comments have been included in their entirety but details which could identify a specific patient have been removed to ensure anonymity.

#### Any comments about how this practice could improve its service?

I did specifically ask to see a female doctor due to the nature of my daughter's complaint. However she was not in and I was not informed by phone to give me the opportunity to rearrange as no notes had been entered. However, the doctor asked the nurse to intervene which I was satisfied with.

Lose one doctor from the practice (not this one).

None, as availability to see a doctor or nurse is really quick and waiting time is minimal. I feel comfortable when visiting this surgery and the reception staff are always friendly and helpful.

Very happy with service provided.

Excellent and friendly.

Excellent service and staff.

To be open over weekend, everything else is fantastic and the reception staff are really helpful and always kind and professional.

Everything concerning the doctor, nurses and staff is first class (5 star).

Extremely happy with this practice.

A top class team.

Reminder for annual blood tests.

The very best. The new doctor is a good team member.

None, I love it as it is, thank you.

None.

#### Any comments about how the doctor/nurse could improve?

None. This doctor is always concerned about my wellbeing and health. Although he is now semi-retired now I have no concerns about the other GPs.

No his work is exceptional.

Does not listen, does not explain things. Doesn't put you at ease, feel like I get nowhere when seeing a particular doctor people skills are quite poor and don't feel when you come out the doctors room it doesn't feel resolved and your medical problems ongoing.

Extremely happy with my doctor.

No.

None.





### Supporting documents

#### Details of score calculation

The score provided for each question in this questionnaire is the mean (average) value of all of the ratings from all patients who completed the question. It is expressed as a percentage - so the best possible score is 100%.

Example using data from your Q1 Opening hours satisfaction

Total number of patients responses = 84

Questionnaire rating scale	Poor	Fair	Good	Very Good	Excellent	Blank/spoilt
Number of ratings	0	3	13	32	35	1
Value assigned to each rating	0	25	50	75	100	n/a

 $\frac{\text{(number of Poor ratings x 0) + (number of Fair ratings x 25)}}{\text{+(number of Good ratings x 50) + (number of Very Good ratings x 75) + (number of Excellent ratings x 100)}}{\text{(Total number of patient responses - number of blank/spoilt)}} = \frac{(0 \times 0) + (3 \times 25) + (13 \times 50) + (32 \times 75) + (35 \times 100)}{(84 - 1)} = 6,625/83$ 

Your mean percentage score for Q1 = 80%

### **Explanation of quartiles**

In statistics a quartile is any one of the three values that divide data into four equal parts, each part represents ¼ of the sampled population.

Quartiles comprise:

Lower quartile, below which lies the lowest 25% of the data The median, cuts the data set in half

Upper quartile, above which lies the top 25% of the data

Please note that the benchmarks presented in this report are based on data obtained from a volunteer sample of practices, and as such may be artificially high.

Question	Your mean score (%)
Q1 Opening hours satisfaction	80

Benchmark data (%)*							
Min	Upper quartile	Max					
23	64	68	73	92			

\*Based on data from 927 practices carrying out 1,326 surveys between April 2010 and March 2013 with 25 or more responses.



#### Supporting documents

Page by page guide to the interpretation of your report

#### Page 1

The frequency distribution table (table 1) shows the number of patient ratings from poor to excellent and the number of 'blank/spoilt' responses for every question (a blank response is where a patient did not respond to the question and a spoilt response is where more than one tick box option was chosen or if the questionnaire was defaced). If these values are added up, for any one question, this will equate to the total number of patients surveyed (shown in the top right hand corner of the page). This table clearly shows the degree of satisfaction patients have with each aspect of the practice considered. Please note the spread of the ratings. Are they widely spread or closely packed around one or two specific ratings? One or two higher or lower ratings can make a big difference to your mean percentage scores illustrated in tables 2 and 3.

#### Page 2

The mean percentage score and benchmark table (table 2) illustrates your mean percentage scores for each question calculated from the data in table 1. Each score is the mean (average) score calculated from valid patient ratings (i.e. not the blank/spoilt responses) expressed as a percentage (see score calculation sheet also in the supporting document section of your report). It has been established by our statisticians that the reliability of your patient feedback for any one question may be marginally reduced if less than 25 valid patient responses is achieved (this number can be determined from table 1). In the event that there are less than 5 patient responses, the corresponding score for the question will not be illustrated.

Your scores have been displayed in colour coded boxes to indicate how your score falls within the benchmark data (within the highest 25%, the middle 50% or the lowest 25% of all the mean percentage scores achieved by all practices in the benchmark sample). The provenance of the benchmark data is provided in the footer below the table.

Graph 1 illustrates your mean percentage scores in ascending order of performance with benchmark means from all participating practices.

#### Page 3

Table 3 and graph 2 are the same as for page 2, but with benchmarks provided relevant to your practice list size. Evidence indicates that practices with smaller list sizes tend to perform better than those with larger list sizes.

#### Page 4

Table 4 shows the number of patient responses from each 'demographic' group detailed on the questionnaire i.e. age, gender, if the patient saw their usual practitioner or not and the number of years attending the practice. Demographic category mean percentage scores are calculated from all the ratings from all questions for that demographic group. Associated benchmark mean scores relevant to your practice list size are also provided.

The same criteria concerning reliability of the feedback as explained in Page 2 above applies.

#### Page 5

Patient comments usually reflect scores achieved. The IPQ was designed to simulate the patient's chronological journey through their visit to the practice. Although the questions in the IPQ are generic, comments can pinpoint specific issues identified by the patient from any part of this journey. If there is a particular problem within the practice e.g. getting through in the morning on the telephone or the lack of chairs in the waiting room suitable for the elderly, this can be clearly picked up in the themes and frequency of comments.

In order to ensure patient anonymity, any personal identifiers are removed. In the unlikely event that we receive a written comment which might relate to serious professional misconduct (e.g. allegations of sexual assault), the comment would be referred to our Clinical Associate who would discuss the matter with you.

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# Improving Practice Questionnaire



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# You can help this general practice improve its service

- . This practice would welcome your honest feedback
- · Please read and complete this survey after you have seen the
- All the information provided by patients is put together in a report for the practice. Your answers will not be identifiable.
   Any comments you make will be included but all attempts will be made to remove information that could identify you.
- Once completed, please return this survey to reception in the envelope provided

Please mark the box like this with a blue or black ball-point pen. If you change your mind just cross out your old response and make your new choice.

When giving your feedback, please only consider the consultation you have had today.

Ab	About the practice		Fair	Good	Very good	Excellent
1	Your level of satisfaction with the practice's opening hours					
2	Ease of contacting the practice on the telephone					
3	Satisfaction with the day and time arranged for your appointment					
4	Chances of seeing a doctor/nurse within 48 hours		Ē			
5	Chances of seeing a doctor/nurse of <u>your</u> choice					
6	Opportunity of speaking to a doctor/nurse on the telephone when necessary					
7	Comfort level of waiting room (e.g. chairs, magazines)					
8	Length of time waiting in the practice					
Ab	out the doctor/nurse (whom you have just seen)	Poor	Fair	Good	Very good	Excellent
9	My overall satisfaction with this visit to the doctor/nurse is			1/15		
10	The warmth of the doctor/nurse's greeting to me was					
11	On this visit I would rate the doctor/nurse's ability to really listen to me as					
12	The doctor/nurse's explanations of things to me were					
13	The extent to which I felt reassured by this doctor/nurse was					
14	My confidence in this doctor/nurse's ability is			12		
15	The opportunity the doctor/nurse gave me to express my concerns or fears was					
16	The respect shown to me by this doctor/nurse was					
17	The amount of time given to me for this visit was					

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Ab	out the doctor/nurse (continued)	0 4 0 5 B	Poor	Fair	Good	Very good	Excellent
18	This doctor/nurse's consideration of my persor deciding a treatment or advising me was	nal situation in					
19	The doctor/nurse's concern for me as a persor	on this visit was					
20	The extent to which the doctor/nurse helped n	ne to take care of					
21	The recommendation I would give to my friend doctor/nurse would be	s about this					
Abo	out the staff		Poor	Fair	Good	Very good	Excellent
22	The manner in which you were treated by the	reception staff					
23	Respect shown for your privacy and confidenti	ality					
24	Information provided by the practice about its sprescriptions, test results, cost of private certificates etc)	service (e.g. repeat					
Fin	ally		Poor	Fair	Good	Very good	Excellent
25	The opportunity for making compliments or corpractice about its service and quality of care	mplaints to this					
26	The information provided by this practice about illness and stay healthy (e.g. alcohol use, health risks of	t how to prevent					
27	The availability and administration of reminder health checks is						
28	The practice's respect of your right to seek a s complementary medicine was	econd opinion or					
	comments about how the doctor/nurse could in		240				
TI	he following questions provide us only with general survey. No one at the practic					esponded	to this
How in ye			How many ye been attendir				
	Under 25 Female	Yes		han 5 yea	rs		
	25-59 Male	] No	5-10 y				
Ц	60+		More t	han 10 ye	ears		

Thank you for your time and assistance



# Certificate of Completion

This is to certify that

# **Seaton Surgery**

Station Lane Seaton Carew Hartlepool TS25 1AX

Practice List Size: 2894 Surveys Completed: 84

has completed the

# Improving Practice Questionnaire

Completed on 15 November 2013

Michael Greco
Director



Thank you to all patients who participated in this survey.

By letting the practice know your views, positive changes can be made for the benefit of all patients.