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Primary care service development funding and general practice IT funding

NHS England has published guidance, including the confirmation of integrated care board (ICB) allocations, for <u>primary care service development funding (SDF) and general practice IT funding</u> <u>2024/25</u>. The SDF (sometimes also referred to as system development funding), is additional to ICB baselines and should be ringfenced to support the delivery of commitments set out in the <u>Delivery</u> <u>plan for recovering access to primary care</u>.

The funding is broken down across the following areas:

- Primary care transformation £126.9 million
 - o To support for general practice to implement the modern general practice model
 - ICBs to use the support level framework (SLF) to help practices understand priority areas (also to include primary care networks (PCNs) where possible)
 - Funding also to be used to support:
 - better integration across primary care
 - development of PCNs
 - development of integrated teams
 - development of neighbourhood teams
- Additional Roles Reimbursement Scheme (ARRS) £534 million
 - Continued increase in the number of additional roles in primary care
 - Provide effective support to PCNs to recruit, embed, and retain new roles
- General Practice Fellowship and Supporting Mentors Schemes £44.3 million and New to Partnerships Payments Scheme £5 million
 - Funding allocated to cover previous commitments
 - No new entrants to the schemes
- GPIT infrastructure and resilience £13 million
 - Additional to the General Practice IT (GPIT) funding
 - Funding to be used for investment in specific technology upgrade initiatives aligned GPIT
- Dental checks in special residential schools £3 million
 - To support oral health checks in residential special education settings
- Eye health in special schools £12 million
 - Sight tests in special education settings, including day and residential schools
- Community pharmacy PCN engagement roles £1,040 per PCN
 - Role supporting schemes including the implementation of the Pharmacy First Service and expanding the Blood Pressure Checks Service and Pharmacy Contraception Service.

PCC continues to work with ICBs to use their SDF allocations across the above areas, including the implementation of modern general practice, better integration, and dental and eye health checks in special residential schools. To find out how we can help you to maximise the effective use of your allocation, contact <u>enquiries@pcc-cic.org.uk</u>.