



## Lincolnshire LMC Weekly Update 14/03/2025

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### Government Announcement Regarding NHS England and ICBs

It is likely that you are all aware of recent announcement made by the Prime Minister that there will be "major reforms to NHS England to empower NHS staff and put patients first".

Additionally it was announced that ICBs, including Lincolnshire, will have to reduce operating costs by 50%.

Lincolnshire LMC is currently awaiting further information to see how this will affect Lincolnshire General Practice and we will keep members updated as new information comes to light.



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## Summary of Major Changes to the GP Contract for 2025/26

Written by Dr Reid Baker, LMC Medical Director

The high-level detail of the 25/26 GMS contract were released last week and below is a summary of them.

GPC England voted to accept this contract offer dependent on the written commitment of Wes Streeting to develop a new substantive contract for general practice which is currently awaited.

The new contract is a step in the right direction but there are potential challenges the new requirements may bring.

The headline funding uplift of £889m includes cost pressures for increased NI contributions, NMW increases and inflationary pressures. Once these practice costs and the recycling of QOF money into core is taken into account, the £889m uplift is much smaller and does not nearly provide the significant financial uplift general practice requires.

A&G utilisation will be capped and funded at £20 per episode of care. While this is additional funding into practices, is approximately 50% less than it would cost a practice to engage with it. How this cap and the process will work remains to be seen.

Online access being available throughout core hours for patients to send enquiries

and book appointments could be a further demand on practices at a time of great pressure.

There will be further national discussion and updates. For now, we reflect on some positives and thank the hard work of GPCE colleagues but must remain focussed that there is much more our great profession needs to sustain it as the bedrock of the NHS.



## Appointments in Lincolnshire General Practice January 2025



In January 2025 Lincolnshire's GP surgeries completed:

**497K**  
appointments

18K more appointments than in January 2024

65% were face-to-face appointments:

**325K**

52% of appointments were offered within 24 hours

**257K**

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Source of data: NHS Digital

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## Save the dates! Events coming soon!

- **Primary & Secondary Care Interface** - Meet Your Consultants Events - Lincoln 30/04/2025, Grantham 06/2025 TBC, and Boston 24/09/2025
- **NB Medical Hot Topics Update** - Bracebridge Heath, Lincoln - 21/05/2025
- Your LMC Day - Doddington Hall - 01/07/2025
- **Lincolnshire Practice Management Conference** - Residential - Belton Woods Hotel - 18 & 19/09/2025
- **Lincolnshire GP and ACP Conference** - Lincoln - 12/11/2025

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# Vacancy at Lincolnshire LMC

An exciting opportunity has opened up at the Lincolnshire LMC! We are looking for a highly motivated individual to join the LMC Team.

## Administrative Assistant

This will be an important role within our organisation. We will rely on you to provide high quality administrative support to our Operations Officer, and to support the development and delivery of our services to GPs and practices.

This is a permanent post working 37.5 hours per week across 5 days.

**Closing Date: 20th March 2025**

For informal questions around the role or further information, please contact Rosa Wyldeman, Operations Officer on 01522 576659.

**[CLICK HERE](#) for information including job description and application form**



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