

The Beeches Medical Centre

Inspection report

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This report describes our judgement of the quality of care at this service. It is based on a combination of what we found when we inspected, information from our ongoing monitoring of data about services and information given to us from the provider, patients, the public and other organisations.

Ratings

Overall rating for this location

Good



Are services safe?

Good



Overall summary

We carried out an announced comprehensive inspection of The Beeches Medical Centre on 5 June 2018 as part of our inspection programme. The overall rating for the practice was good however due to shortfalls identified during the inspection the practice was found to be requires improvement for the safe domain. The full comprehensive report on the 5 June 2018 inspection can be found by selecting the 'all reports' link for The Beeches Medical Centre on our website at .

This inspection was carried out on 16 May 2019 to confirm that the practice had carried out their plan to meet the legal requirements in relation to the breach in regulation that we identified in our previous inspection on 5 June 2018. This report covers our findings in relation to those requirements and additional improvements made since our last inspection.

Overall the practice is now rated as Good. The population groups are also rated as good.

Our key findings were as follows:

- The practice had introduced a comprehensive system to monitor fire safety at the practice.
- The practice had ensured safety checks such as legionella and inspection of the electrical wiring installation had been carried out.
- The practice had developed an effective system to monitor the safety of the premises.

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Details of our findings and the evidence supporting our ratings are set out in the evidence tables.

Population group ratings

Older people	Good	
People with long-term conditions	Good	
Families, children and young people	Good	
Working age people (including those recently retired and students)	Good	
People whose circumstances may make them vulnerable	Good	
People experiencing poor mental health (including people with dementia)	Good	

Our inspection team

Our inspection team was led by a Care Quality Commission (CQC) lead inspector.

Background to The Beeches Medical Centre

The Beeches Medical Centre is situated at 20 Ditchfield Road, Widnes, WA8 8QS and is part of Halton Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG). The practice website can be found at: www.thebeechesmedicalcentrewidnes.nhs.uk
The practice has a General Medical Services (GMS) contract.

At this practice there are four GP partners (3 female, 1 male) one female salaried GP and a GP registrar, a nurse practitioner and two practice nurses. Clinicians are supported by a full-time practice manager and reception and administration staff.

The practice is registered by CQC to carry out the following regulated activities;

Diagnostic and screening procedures,

Maternity and midwifery services,

Surgical procedures,

Family planning

The Beeches Medical Centre is open from 8am to 6.30pm Monday to Friday. The practice closes on one afternoon a month for training and educational purposes. The practice does not offer extended hours but does have access via a CCG initiative for a GP Extra service from 6.30pm until 9pm Monday to Friday and 9am until 12 noon at weekends. Appointments at the practice can be booked over the telephone, online or in person. Patients requiring a GP urgently are advised to contact the NHS 111 GP out of hours service.