

# Byfield 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?	Requires improvement	
Are services effective?	Good	
Are services caring?	Good	
Are services responsive?	Good	
Are services well-led?	Good	

# Overall summary

#### This practice is rated as Good overall.

The key questions are rated as:

Are services safe? - Requires improvement

Are services effective? - Good

Are services caring? - Good

Are services responsive? - Good

Are services well-led? - Good

We carried out an announced comprehensive inspection at Byfield Medical Centre on 14 June 2018 as part of our inspection programme.

At this inspection we found:

- The practice had clear systems to manage risk so that safety incidents were less likely to happen in most areas. When incidents did happen, the practice learned from them and improved their processes.
- The practice routinely reviewed the effectiveness and appropriateness of the care it provided. It ensured that care and treatment was delivered according to evidence-based guidelines.
- Staff had the skills, knowledge and experience to carry out their roles.
- Staff involved and treated patients with compassion, kindness, dignity and respect. Results from the latest National GP Patient Survey showed patients were satisfied with their interactions with reception staff and consultations with GPs and nurses.
- Patients found the appointment system easy to use and reported that they were able to access care when they needed it.
- There were clear responsibilities, roles and systems of accountability to support good governance and management.
- There was a strong focus on continuous learning and improvement at all levels of the organisation.

The area where the provider **must** make improvements as they are in breach of regulations is:

• Ensure care and treatment is provided in a safe way to patients.

The areas where the provider **should** make improvements are:

- Review the process in place to ensure all relevant staff members are aware of risks to patients, such as sepsis.
- Complete a risk assessment of the branch facility and dispensary delivery service.
- Continue to identify and support carers.

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Please refer to the detailed report and the evidence tables for further information.

### 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. The team included a GP specialist adviser and a second CQC inspector.

### Background to Byfield Medical Centre

- The registered provider of the service is Dr R Harvey.
- The address of the registered provider is Byfield medical Centre, Church Street, Byfield, Daventry, NN11 6XN.
- The practice website is www.byfieldmedicalcentre.co.uk.
- Services are provided on a General Medical Services (GMS) contract (a nationally agreed contract) to approximately 8,142 patients.
- The practice offers dispensing services to those patients on the practice list who lived more than one mile (1.6km) from their nearest pharmacy. The practice provides a dispensing service for approximately 4,486 patients.
- The service is registered with the CQC to provide the following regulated activites:
- Diagnostic and screening procedures
- Treatment of disease, disorder or injury
- Maternity and midwifery services
- Family planning
- Surgical procedures
- The practice operates from single storey premises and has a branch facility which opens daily between 9am

- and 10am at the local Memorial Hall at Woodford Halse for GP consultations only. This is a historic arrangement. We did not inspect the consulting room as part of this inspection.
- The practice population is predominantly white British. The practice serves a slightly lower than average population of those aged 18 years and under and a slightly higher than average population of those aged 65 years and over. The area served is less deprived compared to England as a whole.
- The practice team consists of two male GP Partners and one female GP Partner who was currently on leave. A locum female GP covered her duties in her absence. There are two female salaried GPs. The practice has one nurse prescriber, two practice nurses, one health care assistant, a practice manager, a reception manager, a dispensary supervisor and a team of reception, administrative and dispensary staff members. The practice also employs a counsellor to support patients experiencing mental health
- Home visits are available to those patients who are unable to attend the surgery. The Northamptonshire Out of Hours service is provided by South East Health Limited and can be accessed via the NHS 111 service.



### Are services safe?

#### We rated the practice as requires improvement for providing safe services.

The practice was rated as requires improvement for providing safe services because:

Prescriptions were not signed in accordance with the current regulations before they were dispensed and given to patients. The practice did not have risk assessments in place to ensure good fire safety and health and safety.

#### Safety systems and processes

The practice had clear systems to keep people safe and safeguarded from abuse.

- The practice had appropriate systems to safeguard children and vulnerable adults from abuse. All staff received up to date safeguarding and safety training appropriate to their role. They knew how to identify and report concerns. Learning from safeguarding incidents were available to staff. Staff who acted as chaperones were trained for their role and had received a Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check. (DBS checks identify whether a person has a criminal record or is on an official list of people barred from working in roles where they may have contact with children or adults who may be vulnerable).
- Staff took steps, including working with other agencies, to protect patients from abuse, neglect, discrimination and breaches of their dignity and respect.
- The practice carried out appropriate staff checks at the time of recruitment and on an ongoing basis.
- There was an effective system to manage infection prevention and control.
- The practice had arrangements to ensure that facilities and equipment were safe and in good working order.
- Arrangements for managing waste and clinical specimens kept people safe.

#### Risks to patients

There were adequate systems to assess, monitor and manage risks to patient safety in most areas.

- Arrangements were in place for planning and monitoring the number and mix of staff needed to meet patients' needs, including planning for holidays, sickness, busy periods and epidemics.
- There was an effective induction system for temporary staff tailored to their role.
- The practice was equipped to deal with medical emergencies and staff were suitably trained in emergency procedures.
- Staff understood their responsibilities to manage emergencies on the premises and to recognise those in need of urgent medical attention. Clinicians knew how to identify and manage patients with severe infections including sepsis. However, during our inspection we found not all non-clinical staff members had a clear understanding 'red flag' sepsis symptoms. (Sepsis is a life-threatening illness caused by the body's response to an infection). Shortly after the inspection, the practice confirmed that non-clinical staff members had received training on sepsis on 15 June 2018.
- When there were changes to services or staff the practice assessed and monitored the impact on safety.

#### Information to deliver safe care and treatment

Staff had the information they needed to deliver safe care and treatment to patients.

- The care records we saw showed that information needed to deliver safe care and treatment was available to staff.
- The practice had systems for sharing information with staff and other agencies to enable them to deliver safe care and treatment.
- Clinicians made timely referrals in line with protocols.

#### Appropriate and safe use of medicines



### Are services safe?

The practice had reliable systems for appropriate and safe handling of medicines in most areas.

- The systems for managing and storing medicines, including vaccines, medical gases, emergency medicines and equipment, minimised risks.
- · Staff prescribed and administered or supplied medicines to patients and gave advice on medicines in line with current national guidance. The practice had reviewed its antibiotic prescribing and taken action to support good antimicrobial stewardship in line with local and national guidance.
- At the time of inspection, prescriptions were not routinely signed before they were dispensed and given to patients. Shortly after the inspection, the practice reviewed and updated their processes to ensure prescriptions were produced and signed in accordance with the current regulations.
- Patients' health was monitored in relation to the use of medicines and followed up on appropriately. Patients were involved in regular reviews of their medicines.
- Arrangements for dispensing medicines at the practice kept patients safe in most areas. The practice had arrangements in place for volunteers from three local villages to collect and deliver medicines to a small number of patients. However, the practice did not have a risk assessment in place for this arrangement and the records kept by the practice were minimal and did not ensure safety and traceability.

#### Track record on safety

We reviewed the practice's track recond on safety.

• There were some risk assessments in relation to safety issues. However at the time of inspection, the practice did not have adequate fire and health and safety risk assessments in place. The practice had not risk assessed the service provided at their branch facility.

#### Lessons learned and improvements made

The practice learned and made improvements when things went wrong.

- Staff understood their duty to raise concerns and report incidents and near misses. Leaders and managers supported them when they did so.
- There were adequate systems for reviewing and investigating when things went wrong. The practice learned and shared lessons, identified themes and took action to improve safety in the practice.
- The practice acted on and learned from external safety events as well as patient and medicine safety alerts.



# We rated the practice and all of the population groups as good for providing effective services overall. Effective needs assessment, care and treatment

The practice had systems to keep clinicians up to date with current evidence-based practice. We saw that clinicians assessed needs and delivered care and treatment in line with current legislation, standards and guidance supported by clear clinical pathways and protocols.

- Patients' immediate and ongoing needs were fully assessed. This included their clinical needs and their mental and physical wellbeing.
- We saw no evidence of discrimination when making care and treatment decisions.
- Senior staff engaged with the local NHS Nene Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) and accessed CCG guidelines. The practice demonstrated how this information was used to plan care in order to meet identified needs.
- Staff advised patients what to do if their condition got worse and where to seek further help and support.

#### Older people:

- Older patients who are frail or may be vulnerable received a full assessment of their physical, mental and social needs. The practice used an appropriate tool to identify patients aged 65 and over who were living with moderate or severe frailty. Those identified as being frail had a clinical review including a review of medication.
- The practice followed up on older patients discharged from hospital. It ensured that their care plans and prescriptions were updated to reflect any extra or changed needs.
- Staff had appropriate knowledge of treating older people including their psychological, mental and communication needs.

#### People with long-term conditions:

- Patients with long-term conditions had a structured annual review to check their health and medicines needs were being met. For patients with the most complex needs, the GP worked with other health and care professionals to deliver a coordinated package of care.
- Staff who were responsible for reviews of patients with long term conditions had received specific training. The nursing team had lead roles in long-term disease management.
- GPs followed up patients who had received treatment in hospital or through out of hours services for an acute exacerbation of asthma.
- Adults with newly diagnosed cardiovascular disease were offered statins which are medicines that reduce levels of
  cholesterol in the blood and help reduce the risk of exacerbation of cardiovascular disease. People with suspected
  hypertension were offered ambulatory blood pressure monitoring and patients with atrial fibrillation were assessed
  for stroke risk and treated as appropriate.
- The practice was able to demonstrate how it identified patients with commonly undiagnosed conditions, for example diabetes, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), atrial fibrillation and hypertension.
- The practice had an effective patient review and recall system. Data from the latest Quality and Outcomes Framework (QOF) 2016/2017 showed patient outcomes were above average for the locality and compared to the national average for all long-term conditions indicators.

#### Families, children and young people:

- Childhood immunisation uptake rates were above the target percentage of 90%. The practice had taken proactive steps to ensure they achieved high uptake rates for childhood immunisation.
- The practice had arrangements for following up failed attendance of children's appointments following an appointment in secondary care or for immunisation.



• The practice offered a range of family planning services including weekly post-natal and child health surgeries for six week checks. Baby vaccination clinics and ante-natal clinics were held at the practice on a regular basis.

Working age people (including those recently retired and students):

- The practice's uptake for cervical screening was 76%, which was in line with the 80% coverage target for the national screening programme.
- The practice's uptake for breast and bowel cancer screening was in line with the national average.
- The practice had systems to inform eligible patients to have the meningitis vaccine, for example before attending university for the first time.
- Patients had access to appropriate health assessments and checks including NHS checks for patients aged 40-74. There was appropriate follow-up on the outcome of health assessments and checks where abnormalities or risk factors were identified.

People whose circumstances make them vulnerable:

- End of life care was delivered in a coordinated way which took into account the needs of those whose circumstances may make them vulnerable.
- The practice held a register of patients living in vulnerable circumstances including homeless people, people dependent on drugs and alcohol and those with a learning disability.
- The practice offered annual health checks to patients with a learning disability. The practice had 62 patients on their learning disability register and had completed 58 health checks with these patients in the 2017/2018 year.
- The practice had a system for vaccinating patients with an underlying medical condition according to the recommended schedule.

People experiencing poor mental health (including people with dementia):

- The practice assessed and monitored the physical health of people with mental illness, severe mental illness, and personality disorder by providing access to health checks, interventions for physical activity, obesity, diabetes, heart disease, cancer and access to 'stop smoking' services. There was a system for following up patients who failed to attend for administration of long term medication.
- When patients were assessed to be at risk of suicide or self-harm the practice had arrangements in place to help them to remain safe.
- Patients at risk of dementia were identified and offered an assessment to detect possible signs of dementia. When dementia was suspected there was an appropriate referral for diagnosis.
- The practice employed a counsellor who provided support to patients experiencing poor mental health. The practice also had access to an additional counsellor who was employed by NENE Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) and worked across all of the practices within the locality.

#### Monitoring care and treatment

The practice had a comprehensive programme of quality improvement activity and routinely reviewed the effectiveness and appropriateness of the care provided. Where appropriate, clinicians took part in local and national improvement initiatives. The practice used information about care and treatment to make improvements. For example, the practice had completed an audit on the monitoring of patients diagnosed with gestational diabetes (high blood sugar levels that develops during pregnancy). This audit led to an improvement in the monitoring of these patients.



Data from the latest Quality and Outcomes Framework (QOF) 2016/2017 showed overall patient outcomes were above average for the locality and compared to the national average. Overall exception reporting was below the local and national average. (Exception reporting is the removal of patients from QOF calculations where, for example, the patients are unable to attend a review meeting or certain medicines cannot be prescribed because of side effects).

#### **Effective staffing**

Staff had the skills, knowledge and experience to carry out their roles.

- Staff had appropriate knowledge for their role, for example, to carry out reviews for people with long term conditions, older people and people requiring contraceptive reviews.
- Staff whose role included immunisation and taking samples for the cervical screening programme had received specific training and could demonstrate how they stayed up to date.
- The practice understood the learning needs of staff and provided protected time and training to meet them. Up to date records of skills, qualifications and training were maintained. Staff were encouraged and given opportunities to develop.
- The practice provided staff with ongoing support. There was an induction programme for new staff. This included one to one meetings, appraisals, coaching and mentoring, clinical supervision and revalidation.
- There was a clear approach for supporting and managing staff when their performance was poor or variable.
- Dispensary staff were appropriately qualified and their competence was assessed regularly. They could demonstrate how they kept up to date.

#### **Coordinating care and treatment**

Staff worked together and with other health and social care professionals to deliver effective care and treatment.

- We saw records that showed that all appropriate staff, including those in different teams and organisations, were involved in assessing, planning and delivering care and treatment.
- The practice shared clear and accurate information with relevant professionals when discussing care delivery for people with long term conditions and when coordinating healthcare for care home residents. They shared information with, and liaised, with community services, social services and carers for housebound patients and with health visitors and community services for children who had relocated into the local area.
- A named GP provided a weekly visit to a local residential care home. We spoke to a staff member at the home who described the service provided as very good and responsive to the needs of the residents.
- The practice worked closely with a local learning disability home. Staff at the home provided positive feedback about the services provided by the practice.
- Patients received coordinated and person-centred care. This included when they moved between services, when they were referred, or after they were discharged from hospital. The practice worked with patients to develop personal care plans that were shared with relevant agencies.
- The practice ensured that end of life care was delivered in a coordinated way which took into account the needs of different patients, including those who may be vulnerable because of their circumstances.

#### Helping patients to live healthier lives

Staff were consistent and proactive in helping patients to live healthier lives.

- The practice identified patients who may be in need of extra support and directed them to relevant services. This included patients in the last 12 months of their lives, patients at risk of developing a long-term condition and carers.
- Staff encouraged and supported patients to be involved in monitoring and managing their own health. The nursing team provided information and advice on healthy living and smoking cessation.
- Staff discussed changes to care or treatment with patients and their carers as necessary.



• The practice supported national priorities and initiatives to improve the population's health, for example, stop smoking campaigns, tackling obesity.

#### **Consent to care and treatment**

The practice obtained consent to care and treatment in line with legislation and guidance.

- Clinicians understood the requirements of legislation and guidance when considering consent and decision making.
- Clinicians supported patients to make decisions. Where appropriate, they assessed and recorded a patient's mental capacity to make a decision.
- The practice monitored the process for seeking consent appropriately.



# Are services caring?

#### We rated the practice as good for caring.

#### Kindness, respect and compassion

Staff treated patients with kindness, respect and compassion.

- Feedback from patients was positive about the way staff treat people.
- Staff understood patients' personal, cultural, social and religious needs.
- The practice gave patients timely support and information.
- Results from the latest National GP Patient Survey published in July 2017 showed patient satisfaction was higher than local and national averages and feedback from patients showed patients felt they were treated with kindness, respect and compassion.

#### Involvement in decisions about care and treatment

Staff helped patients to be involved in decisions about care and treatment. They were aware of the Accessible Information Standard (a requirement to make sure that patients and their carers can access and understand the information that they are given).

- Staff communicated with people in a way that they could understand, for example, communication aids and easy read materials were available.
- Staff helped patients and their carers find further information and access community and advocacy services. They helped them ask questions about their care and treatment.
- The practice had taken steps to identify carers and provide support to these patients.

#### **Privacy and dignity**

The practice respected patients' privacy and dignity.

- When patients wanted to discuss sensitive issues or appeared distressed reception staff offered them a private room to discuss their needs.
- Staff recognised the importance of people's dignity and respect. They challenged behaviour that fell short of this.



# Are services responsive to people's needs?

#### We rated the practice, and all of the population groups, as good for providing responsive services.

#### Responding to and meeting people's needs

The practice organised and delivered services to meet patients' needs. It took account of patient needs and preferences.

- The practice understood the needs of its population and tailored services in response to those needs.
- Telephone GP consultations were available which supported patients who were unable to attend the practice during normal working hours.
- The facilities and premises were appropriate for the services delivered.
- The practice made reasonable adjustments when patients found it hard to access services.
- The practice provided effective care coordination for patients who are more vulnerable or who have complex needs. They supported them to access services both within and outside the practice.
- Care and treatment for patients with multiple long-term conditions and patients approaching the end of life was coordinated with other services.
- Members of the nursing team were able to offer a phlebotomy service to patients who required testing.
- The practice provided dispensary services for people who needed additional support with their medicines.

#### Older people:

- All patients had a named GP who supported them in whatever setting they lived, whether it was at home or in a care home or supported living scheme.
- The practice was responsive to the needs of older patients, and offered home visits and urgent appointments for those with enhanced needs. The GPs also accommodated home visits for those who had difficulties getting to the practice due to limited local public transport availability.
- There was a medicines delivery service for housebound patients.

#### People with long-term conditions:

- Patients with a long-term condition received an annual review to check their health and medicines needs were being appropriately met. Multiple conditions were reviewed at one appointment, and consultation times were flexible to meet each patient's specific needs.
- The practice held regular meetings with the local district nursing team to discuss and manage the needs of patients with complex medical issues.

#### Families, children and young people:

- We found there were systems to identify and follow up children living in disadvantaged circumstances and who were at risk, for example, children and young people who had a high number of accident and emergency (A&E) attendances. Records we looked at confirmed this.
- All parents or guardians calling with concerns about a child under the age of 18 were offered a same day appointment when necessary.
- A community midwife held a clinic at the practice on a regular basis.

#### Working age people (including those recently retired and students):

- The needs of this population group had been identified and the practice had adjusted the services it offered to ensure these were accessible, flexible and offered continuity of care. For example, extended opening hours.
- An electronic prescribing service (EPS) was available which enabled GPs to send prescriptions electronically to a pharmacy of patients' choice.
- Patients were able to contact the practice via e-mail.



# Are services responsive to people's needs?

• A GP was available at a branch facility in the neighbouring village every weekday to offer consultations.

People whose circumstances make them vulnerable:

- The practice held a register of patients living in vulnerable circumstances including homeless people, travellers and those with a learning disability.
- There were longer appointments available for patients with a learning disability.
- People in vulnerable circumstances were easily able to register with the practice, including those with no fixed abode.

People experiencing poor mental health (including people with dementia):

- Staff interviewed had a good understanding of how to support patients with mental health needs and those patients living with dementia.
- The practice held a register of patients experiencing poor mental health and offered regular reviews and same day contact.
- Patients who failed to attend their appointment were proactively followed up by a phone call from a member of the practice team.

#### Timely access to care and treatment

Patients were able to access care and treatment from the practice within an acceptable timescale for their needs.

- Patients had timely access to initial assessment, test results, diagnosis and treatment.
- Waiting times, delays and cancellations were minimal and managed appropriately.
- Patients with the most urgent needs had their care and treatment prioritised.
- Patients reported that the appointment system was easy to use.
- Results from the latest National GP Patient Survey published in July 2017 showed patient satisfaction with how they could access care and treatment was higher than local and national averages.

#### Listening and learning from concerns and complaints

The practice took complaints and concerns seriously and responded to them appropriately to improve the quality of care.

- Information about how to make a complaint or raise concerns was available. Staff treated patients who made complaints compassionately.
- The complaint policy and procedures were in line with recognised guidance. The practice learned lessons from individual concerns and complaints and also from analysis of trends. It acted as a result to improve the quality of care.



## Are services well-led?

#### We rated the practice as good for providing a well-led service.

#### Leadership capacity and capability

Leaders had the capacity and skills to deliver high-quality, sustainable care.

- Leaders were knowledgeable about issues and priorities relating to the quality and future of services. They understood the challenges and were addressing them.
- Leaders at all levels were visible and approachable. They worked closely with staff and others to make sure they prioritised compassionate and inclusive leadership.
- The practice had effective processes to develop leadership capacity and skills, including planning for the future leadership of the practice.

#### Vision and strategy

The practice had a clear vision and credible strategy to deliver high quality, sustainable care.

- There was a clear vision and set of values. The practice had a clear strategy and supporting business plans to achieve priorities.
- Staff were aware of and understood the vision, values and strategy and their role in achieving them.
- The strategy was in line with health and social care priorities across the region. The practice planned its services to meet the needs of the practice population.
- The practice monitored progress against delivery of the strategy.

#### **Culture**

The practice had a culture of high-quality sustainable care.

- Staff stated they felt respected, supported and valued. They were proud to work in the practice.
- The practice focused on the needs of patients.
- Leaders and managers acted on behaviour and performance inconsistent with the vision and values.
- Openness, honesty and transparency were demonstrated when responding to incidents and complaints. The provider was aware of and had systems to ensure compliance with the requirements of the duty of candour.
- Staff we spoke with told us they were able to raise concerns and were encouraged to do so. They had confidence that these would be addressed.
- There were processes for providing all staff with the development they need. This included appraisal and career development conversations. All staff received regular annual appraisals in the last year. Staff were supported to meet the requirements of professional revalidation where necessary.
- There was a strong emphasis on the safety and well-being of all staff.
- The practice actively promoted equality and diversity. Staff had received equality and diversity training. Staff felt they were treated equally.
- There were positive relationships between staff and teams.

#### **Governance arrangements**

There were clear responsibilities, roles and systems of accountability to support good governance and management.

- Structures, processes and systems to support good governance and management were clearly set out, understood and effective. The governance and management of partnerships, joint working arrangements and shared services promoted co-ordinated person-centred care.
- Staff were clear on their roles and accountabilities including in respect of safeguarding and infection prevention and control.



# Are services well-led?

• Practice leaders had established policies, procedures and activities to ensure safety and assured themselves that they were operating as intended.

#### Managing risks, issues and performance

There were clear and effective processes for managing risks, issues and performance in most areas.

- There was an effective process to identify, understand, monitor and address current and future risks including risks to patient safety. However, at the time of inspection, risk assessment relating to fire safety and health and safety required strengthening.
- The practice had processes to manage current and future performance. Practice leaders had oversight of safety alerts, incidents, and complaints.
- Clinical audit had a positive impact on quality of care and outcomes for patients. There was clear evidence of action to change practice to improve quality.
- The practice had plans in place and had trained staff for major incidents.
- The practice considered and understood the impact on the quality of care of service changes or developments.

#### **Appropriate and accurate information**

The practice acted appropriate and accurate information.

- Quality and operational information was used to ensure and improve performance. Performance information was combined with the views of patients.
- Quality and sustainability were discussed in relevant meetings where all staff had sufficient access to information.
- The practice used performance information which was reported and monitored and management and staff were held to account.
- The information used to monitor performance and the delivery of quality care was accurate and useful. There were plans to address any identified weaknesses.
- The practice used information technology systems to monitor and improve the quality of care.
- The practice submitted data or notifications to external organisations as required.
- There were robust arrangements in line with data security standards for the availability, integrity and confidentiality of patient identifiable data, records and data management systems.

#### Engagement with patients, the public, staff and external partners

The practice involved patients, the public, staff and external partners to support high-quality sustainable services.

- A full and diverse range of patients', staff and external partners' views and concerns were encouraged, heard and acted on to shape services and culture. There was an active patient participation group.
- The service was transparent, collaborative and open with stakeholders about performance.

#### **Continuous improvement and innovation**

There was evidence of systems and processes for learning, continuous improvement and innovation.

- There was a focus on continuous learning and improvement.
- Staff knew about improvement methods and had the skills to use them.
- The practice made use of internal and external reviews of incidents and complaints. Learning was shared and used to make improvements.
- Leaders and managers encouraged staff to take time out to review individual and team objectives, processes and performance.

This section is primarily information for the provider

# Requirement notices

# Action we have told the provider to take

The table below shows the legal requirements that the service provider was not meeting. The provider must send CQC a report that says what action it is going to take to meet these requirements.

Regulated activity	Regulation
Diagnostic and screening procedures  Family planning services  Maternity and midwifery services  Surgical procedures  Treatment of disease, disorder or injury	Regulation 12 HSCA (RA) Regulations 2014 Safe care and treatment  Assessments of the risks to the health and safety of service users receiving care or treatment were not being carried out. In particular:The provider did not ensure all of the risks had been assessed in relation to fire safety and health and safety. The provider did not ensure all prescriptions were routinely signed before medicines were dispensed. This was in breach of regulation 12 of the Health and Social Care Act 2008 (Regulated Activities) Regulations 2014. Safe care and treatment.