



Community Treatment and Care Services

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They are services you might usually get from your GP practice, from a nurse or healthcare assistant, and include things like:



Getting your blood pressure checked



Getting your height and weight measured



Getting a sample taken for a blood test



Getting a wound cleaned, dressed and cared for

You might regularly have these procedures to monitor a long-term health condition, or you might only need them occasionally or for a short time.

Why are they changing?

General practices are at the heart of the healthcare system and with increased demand on services, Aberdeen City Health & Social Care Partnership (ACHSCP) want to make sure that our services are more accessible. Our priority is improving access for patients.

What is changing?

GP practices are managed by a contract. As a part of this contract, it was agreed that community treatment and care services will become the responsibility of the ACHSCP. This means they will be delivered by NHS Grampian-employed staff in a new CTAC service. You will continue to be cared for by your GP practice and any results will go back to your GP practice to action as needed.

How will this make things better?

It will mean that you have a broader choice of appointment times or locations that suit you. It will help ensure our GP practices remain sustainable and safe, and make sure that GPs have time to focus on the more complex appointments.

What will happen next?

We are still in the planning stage, so you will not see most changes immediately. We will make sure that we continue to keep you and your GP practice up to date. For now, we are asking members of the public to get involved and complete our survey. This survey will help us know what is important to you while we design the new service.

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