



SHEFFIELD CITY COUNCIL (SCC) HEALTH & HOUSING SERVICES REQUESTS FOR MEDICAL REPORTS

Guidance for Sheffield GPs

We have recently been in contact with Die Green, Health and Housing Team Manager, Care and Support Services at SCC regarding SCC's Health & Housing Services requesting medical reports from GPs.

Agreement has been reached between the LMC and the Health & Housing Services that patients will **not** be asked to obtain medical evidence to support their medical re-housing applications.

In circumstances where a medical report is necessary, SCC Health & Housing Services will write directly to the GP enclosing the patient's written consent.

As this work is not part of a GP's contract of employment or terms and conditions of service, and is not part of the NHS, GPs are entitled to charge a fee (fees are no longer set by the DDRB - the last DDRB set fee was £25.15 in 2005/06).

An invoice should be forwarded to SCC's Health & Housing Service with the medical report. It is not possible for payment to be made in advance.

If practices have any problems with this process, please forward details to the LMC office via manager@sheffieldlmc.org.uk.