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Active Signposting

Active Signposting is part of the GP 5 year forward view. Active Signposting offers the patient 'choice not triage' to access the most appropriate service first.

Active Signposters do not make clinical decisions

Active Signposting is designed to connect patients more directly with the most appropriate source of help or advice; this may include services in the community as well as within the Practice.

So for example when a patient presents with symptoms that meet the access criteria for other services such as a pharmacist, optician or a social prescribing service, the Signposter can confidently offer these choices and enable the patient to go straight to the service which best meets their health and wellbeing needs. This saves GP time.

Patients receive the right care, by the right professional, at the right time. This means one visit, not two for the patient.

Benefits to General Practice include:

- Greater access for patients that need a GP appointment, as other patients are signposted to more appropriate services.
- Improved patient outcomes
- Improved patient experience
- Improved job satisfaction for staff





forms.



Practice Resources

GP Phone Message

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Clinician Matrix Template

EMIS Template Guidance

S1 Template Guidance

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