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Submission to APPG enquiry on demand in primary care

We have now submitted our response to the All-Party Parliamentary Group (APPG) on Primary Care and Public Health's inquiry into managing demand in primary care. Our submission focused on the following points:

Good and effective care is person-centred; based on the GP registered list and empowered by the shared record approach. Hospitals should be supported to do what hospitals do best. For the rest of society's care needs – invest in general practice.

Services for people who have health and wellbeing needs that do not require hospital care, or for which the advice of expert specialists is not needed, should be based where such services are best delivered. In the communities where people live, co-ordinated by the GPs and practices with whom they are registered, working in multi-disciplinary systems which are sufficiently financed to meet the health and wellbeing needs of people in those communities.

London primary care providers face special challenges; not least the need for service planning and infrastructure design to effectively recognise and capture the need for healthcare to be considered when mapping out the built and public service environment.

The enquiry is expected to resume after the June 2017 general election.

[Read the full submission here.](#)