



PBC Compact for Practices and Primary Care Trusts

Practice Based Commissioning is key to improving local services and health. PCTs and practices should be mutually accountable for its success.

1. PCTs and practices should:-

- Patients are at the heart of PBC. PBC plans should improve convenience and access of services and ensure local initiatives are more cost effective and of equivalent quality.

2. The Primary Care Trust should:-

- Provide timely activity data in an **accessible** format to practices that allows relevant scrutiny and monitoring.
- Provide accurate budgetary information on a monthly basis (or the means of accessing such information).
- Encourage and support practices in bringing about service and organisational development and seek to remove barriers to those changes.
- Provide adequate resource to practices and collectives/localities to do the job.
- Abide by the National Framework for Commissioning and Guidance.

3. Individual Practices or Consortia of Practices should:-

- Involve all their clinicians and managers in the day to day operation of Practice Based Commissioning.
- Draw up and deliver PBC plans that significantly improve patient services and health.
- Focus PBC activity on identified local needs and also support the PCT in its strategic objectives and delivery plan.
- Work collectively with local patients and community professionals and local agencies to deliver PBC in the wider interest.
- To make PBC core to their planning, monitor activity and seek to adhere to indicative budgets.
- Abide by the National Framework for Commissioning and the Guidance.