The Experience of GP Services

A trends analysis report by Healthwatch Tower Hamlets, 5 October 2022



Healthwatch is the official consumer champion for users of health and social care services. We listen to people's stories, good and bad, and report on their collective experience. In this report, we examine the experience of local GP services.

Reporting Period: 1 October 2021 - 30 September 2022



Index and overview of findings

Data Source (Page 4)

This report is based on the experience of 1,194 people. Feedback has been obtained from a variety of sources, including engagement, surveys and comments posted online (NHS, Care Opinion and social media).

Top Themes (Page 5)

A broad majority of people receive good quality treatment and nursing care. According to feedback, patients would like greater levels of service access, communication, empathy, involvement and support.

Overall sentiment is 47% positive, 50% negative and 3% neutral.

Trends...

According to feedback, overall satisfaction has improved by 7% this quarter.

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Service Access (Page 6)

People continue to report difficulties with telephone access, associated problems with booking, and longer than expected waits for routine appointments.

Trends...

Satisfaction on service access has improved by 9%, comments suggest. Complaints are down by a notable 17% on waiting lists, by 13% on online systems and by 11% on ability to book appointments.

Comments suggest satisfaction at most practices is noticeably negative overall.

Clinical Treatment and Staff Attitude (Pages 7-8)

Experiences indicate a broad majority of people receive good quality treatment and nursing care, however support is in cases lacking. On staff attitude, there is general praise for clinicians, while notable criticism of reception staff.

Trends...

Comments suggest satisfaction has improved by 11% on clinical treatment and care, and by 5% on staff attitude.

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Administration and Communication (Pages 9-10)

Many people complain of general administration, and some would like greater levels of support from reception staff, and levels of communication service wide. The ability to obtain prescriptions is also cited as an issue.

Trends...

Complaints about communication have decreased by 11% this quarter, while decreasing marginally by 1% on administration.

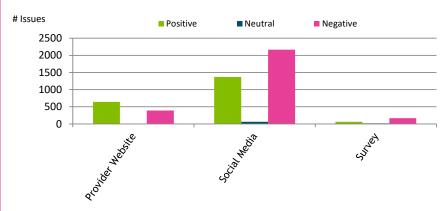
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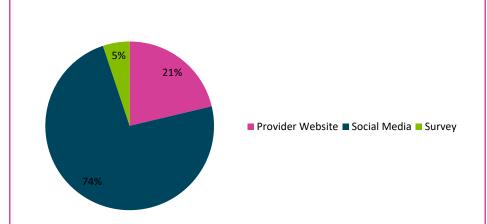
Disclaimer: The trends within this report are based on service user comments we have obtained from sources outlined on Page 4. Comments obtained from these sources may not be representative of all service users experiences or opinions.

1. Data Source and Conditions/Topics



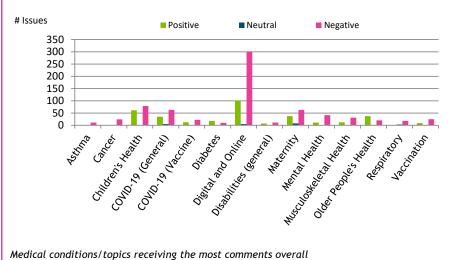
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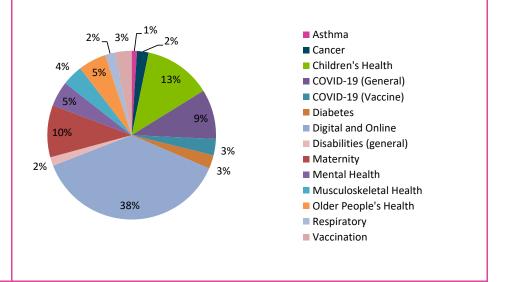




Sources providing the most comments overall

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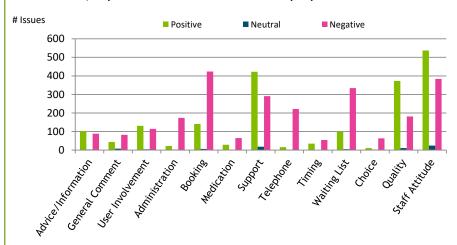




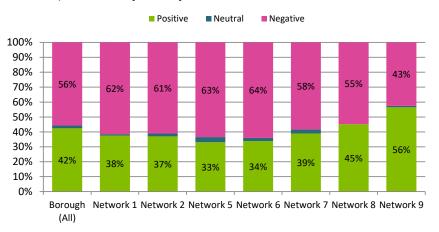
2.1 Overall Themes and Sentiment



2.1.1 Overall, Top Trends: 4895 issues from 1194 people



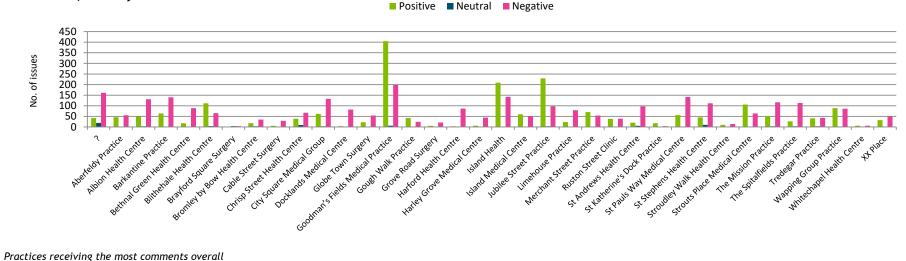
2.1.2 Overall, Sentiment by Primary Care Network



Issues receiving the most comments overall. See pages 12-13 for issue descriptions



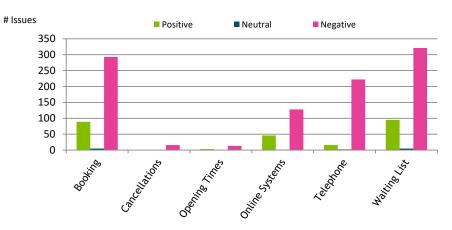
2.1.3 Overall, Issues by Practice



2.2 Service Access

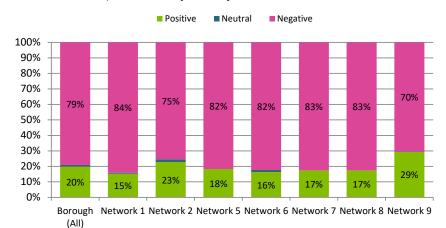


2.2.1 Service Access: 1255 issues detected



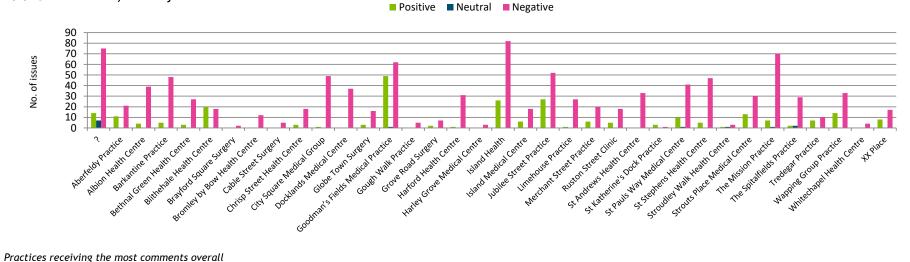
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2.2.2 Service Access, Sentiment by Primary Care Network



Sentiment by PCN

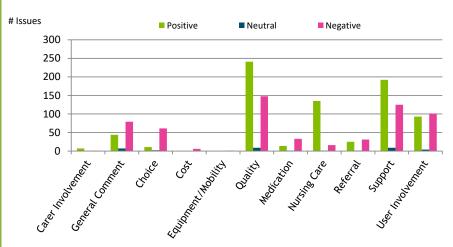
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2.3 Clinical Treatment and Care

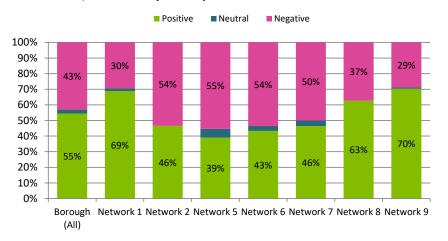


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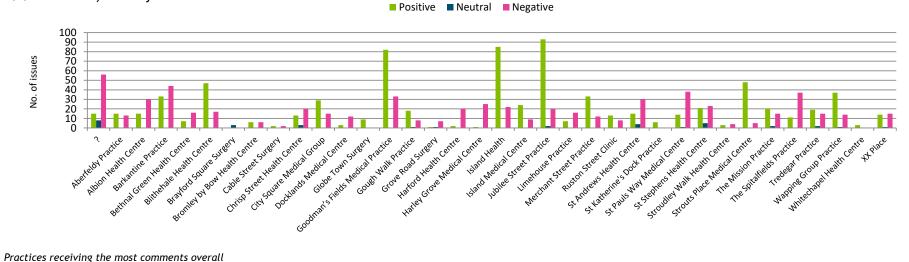
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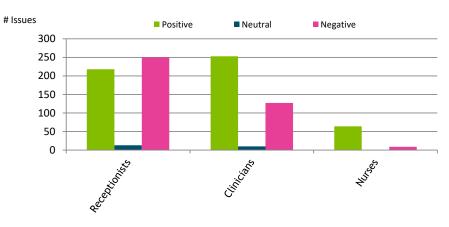
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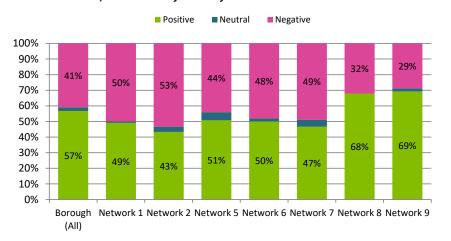


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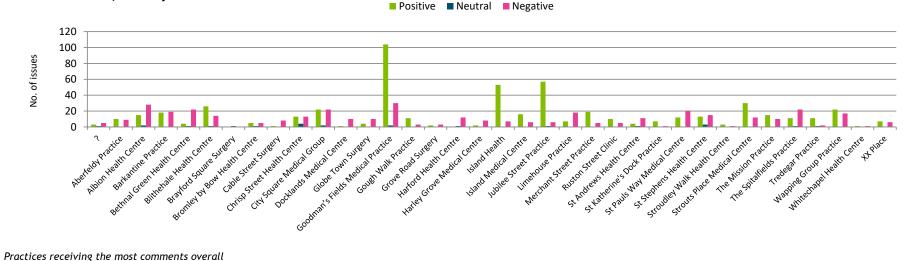
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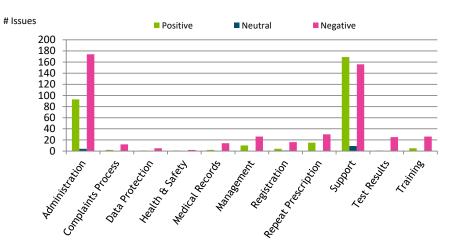
2.4.3 Staff Attitude, Issues by Practice



2.5 Administration

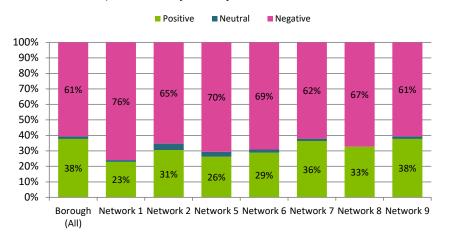


2.5.1 Administration: 803 issues detected



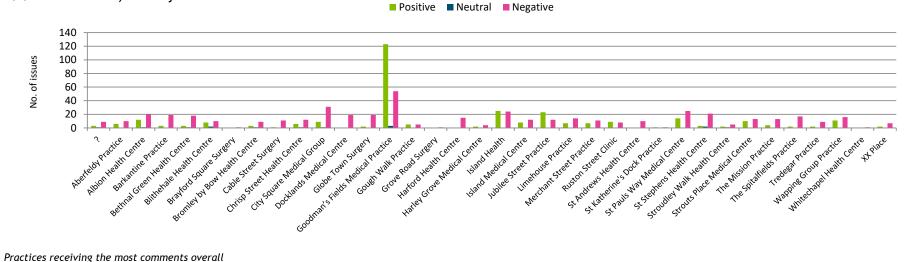
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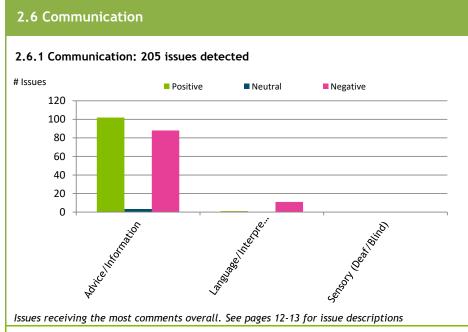
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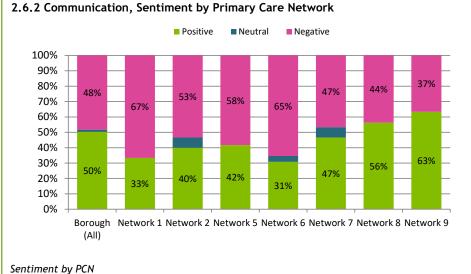
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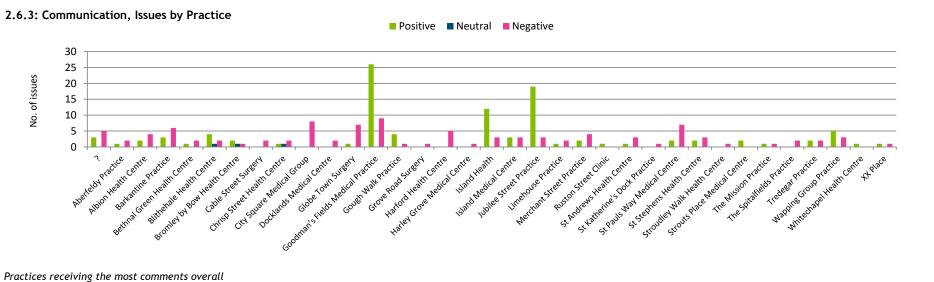
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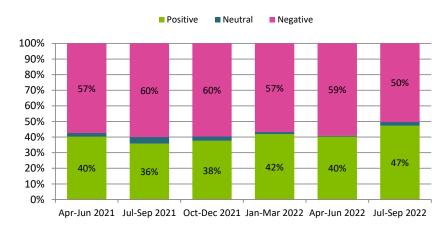




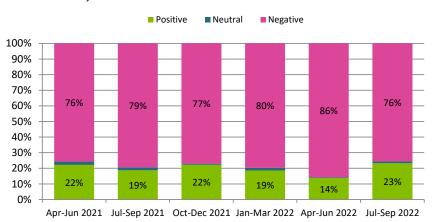
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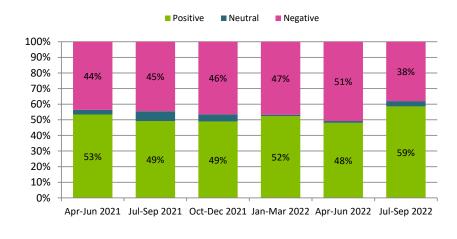
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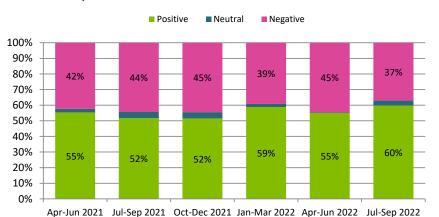
3.2 Service Access, Sentiment



3.3 Treatment and Care, Sentiment



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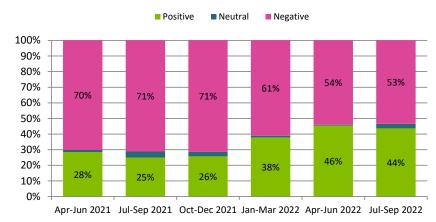
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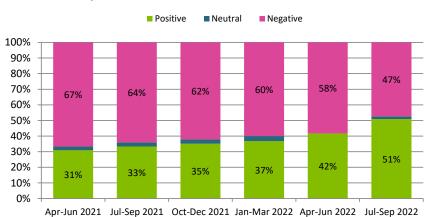
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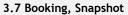
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3.5 Administration, Sentiment



3.6 Communication, Sentiment

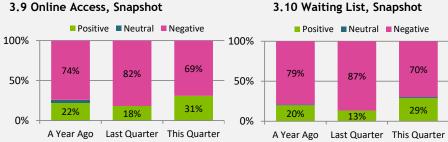






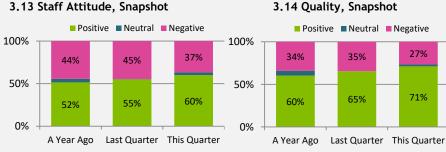
3.8 Telephone, Snapshot

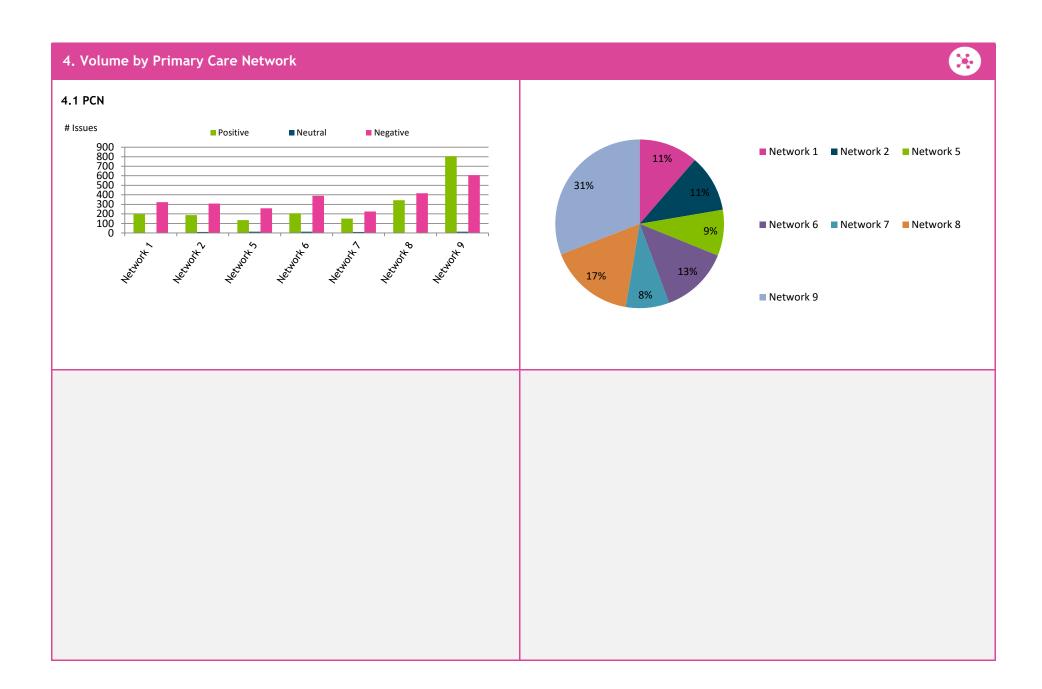
3.9 Online Access, Snapshot





3.13 Staff Attitude, Snapshot





5. Data Table: Number of issues



	Issue Name	Descriptor		Positive	# Issu Neutral					
S	Advice/Information	Communication, including access to advice and information.		102	Neutrai 3	Negative 88	Total 193			
Patients/Carers	Carer Involvement	Involvement of carers, friends or family members.		9	0	2	11			
	General Comment	A generalised statement (ie; "The doctor was good.")		44	8	82	134			
	User Involvement	Involvement of the service user.		131	4	114	249			
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Systems	Administration	Administrative processes and delivery.		22	2	174	198			
	Booking	Ability to book, reschedule or cancel appointments.		141	6	424	571			
	Cancellations	Cancellation of appointment by the service provider.		0	0	20	20			
	Data Protection	General data protection (including GDPR).		1	0	5	6			
	Referral	Referral to a service.		25	1	32	58			
	Medical Records	Management of medical records.		2	0	14	16			
	Medication	Prescription and management of medicines.		29	1	65	95			
	Opening Times	Opening times of a service.		3	0	14	17			
	Planning	Leadership and general organisation.		10	0	28	38			
	Registration	Ability to register for a service.		4	1	17	22			
	Support	Levels of support provided.		422	18	291	731			
	Telephone	Ability to contact a service by telephone.		16	2	222	240			
	Timing	Physical timing (ie; length of wait at appointments).		35	0	54	89			
	Waiting List	Length of wait while on a list.		100	5	334	439			
	Choice	General choice.		11	2	63	76			
	Cost	General cost.		1	0	7	8			
Values	Language	Language, including terminology.		1	0	11	12			
	Nutrition	Provision of sustainance.		1	0	0	1			
	Privacy	Privacy, personal space and property.		0	0	4	4			
	Quality	General quality of a service, or staff.		373	11	181	565			
	Sensory	Deaf/blind or other sensory issues.		0	0	0	0			
	Stimulation	General stimulation, including access to activities.		2	0	1	3			

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	Issue Name	Descriptor		# Issues			
				Positive	Neutral	Negative	Total
Environment	Catchment/Distance	Distance to a service (and catchment area for eligability).		3	0	5	8
	Environment/Layout	Physical environment of a service.		28	0	12	40
	Equipment	General equipment issues.		0	0	7	7
	Hazard	General hazard to safety (ie; a hospital wide infection).		1	0	2	3
	Hygiene	Levels of hygiene and general cleanliness.		13	0	3	16
	Mobility	Physical mobility to, from and within services.		0	0	1	1
	Travel/Parking	Ability to travel or park.		0	0	1	1
Staff	Omission	General omission (ie; transport did not arrive).		0	0	17	17
	Security/Conduct	General security of a service, including conduct of staff.		3	0	2	5
	Staff Attitude	Attitude, compassion and empathy of staff.		537	24	384	945
	Complaints	Ability to log and resolve a complaint.		2	0	12	14
	Staff Training	Training of staff.		5	0	26	31
	Staffing Levels	General availability of staff.		0	1	10	11
			Total:	2077	89	2729	4895

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