

# The Experience of Health, Care and Community 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 health, social care and community services.

**Reporting Period: 1 July 2022 - 30 September 2022**

## Index and overview of findings



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### Data Source

This report is based on the experience of 689 people. Feedback has been obtained from a variety of sources, including general engagement and comments posted online (including Care Opinion, NHS and social media). More on page 4.



62%

### Overall Satisfaction

*Overall satisfaction is at 62% positive, 37% negative and 1% neutral, according to comments.*

Feedback suggests people receive good quality, compassionate treatment and care on the whole, with good levels of involvement and communication. Administration and service access remain as leading negative issues.



73%

### Information, Involvement and Support

*Satisfaction is at 73% positive, 25% negative and 2% neutral, comments suggest.*

This quarter complaints are down by 3% on support and marginally by 1% on user involvement, while increasing by 3% on communication. More on page 5.



77%

### Quality and Empathy

*According to comments, Satisfaction is at 77% positive, 21% negative and 2% neutral.*

Good levels of quality and empathy continue to be reported. More on page 5.



30%

### Access to Services

*Satisfaction is at 30% positive, 69% negative and 1% neutral.*

This quarter complaints are down by 10% on waiting lists, by 7% on waiting times, and by 6% on ability to book appointments. More on page 5.

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"A lovely service at maternity, both myself and my partner were looked after well at all times. Would have liked a designated community midwife - continuity is important."



347

### GP Services

*Satisfaction is at 48% positive, 50% negative and 2% neutral, according to feedback.*

347 people comment on GP services. The majority of patients receive good quality, compassionate treatment and care. Access related trends are clearly negative overall, this includes on booking processes, telephone access, administration and waiting lists. More on page 9.



262

### Dentists

*Comments suggest satisfaction is at 85% positive and 15% negative.*

262 people comment on dentists, with accounts of excellent treatment, care and customer service recorded. Good levels of information and involvement are also reported. More on page 10.



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### Royal London Hospital

*Satisfaction is 41% positive, 54% negative and 5% neutral, comments suggest.*

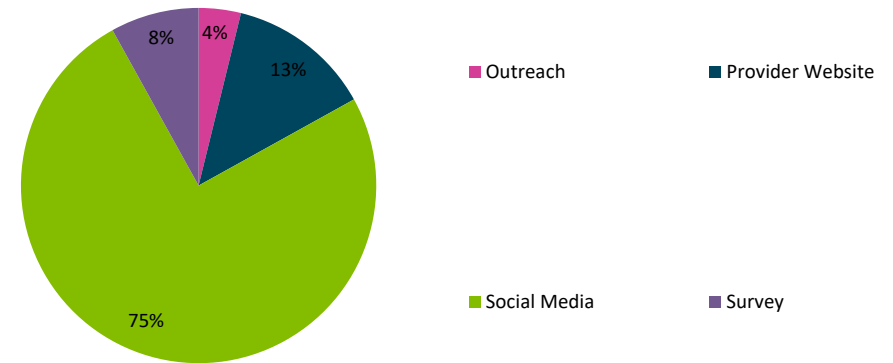
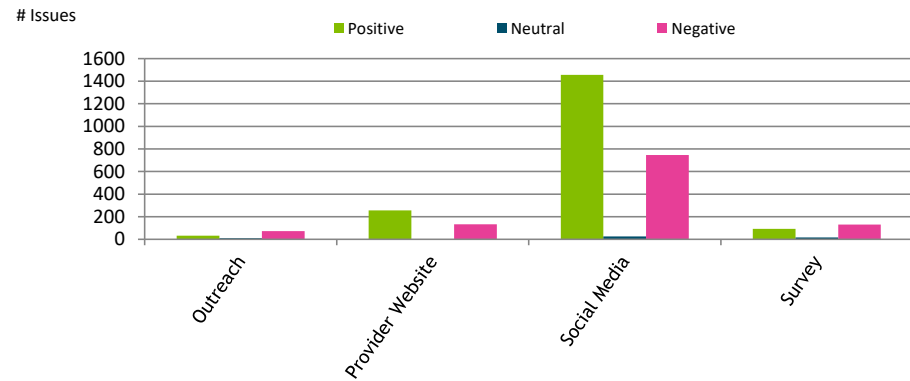
59 people comment this quarter. Feedback suggests patients would like greater levels of support, empathy, communication and involvement, and shorter waiting times. More on page 11.

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# 1. Data Source: Where did we collect the feedback?

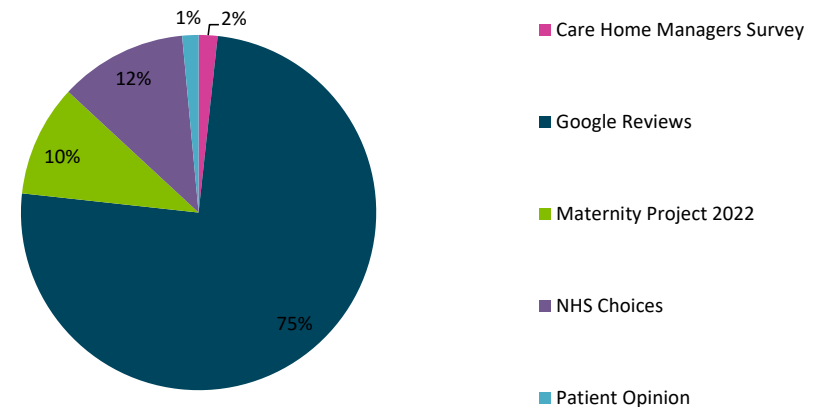
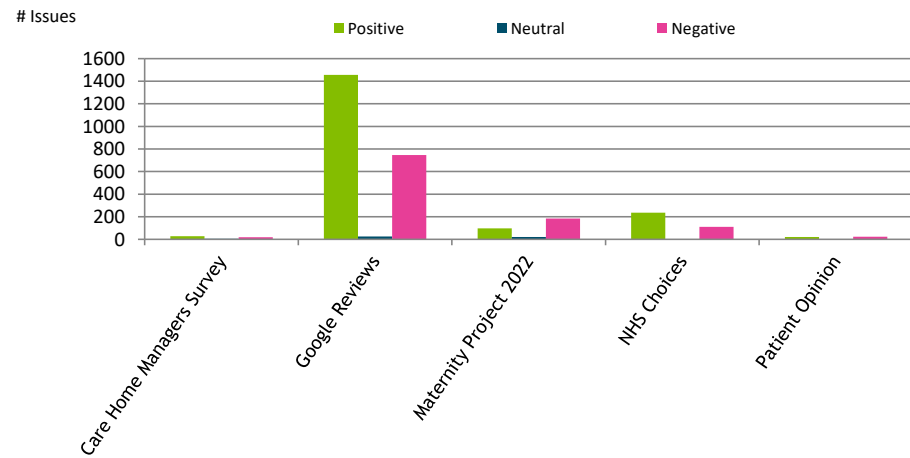


## 1.1 Source: 2970 issues from 689 people



Sources providing the most comments overall

## 1.2 Origin

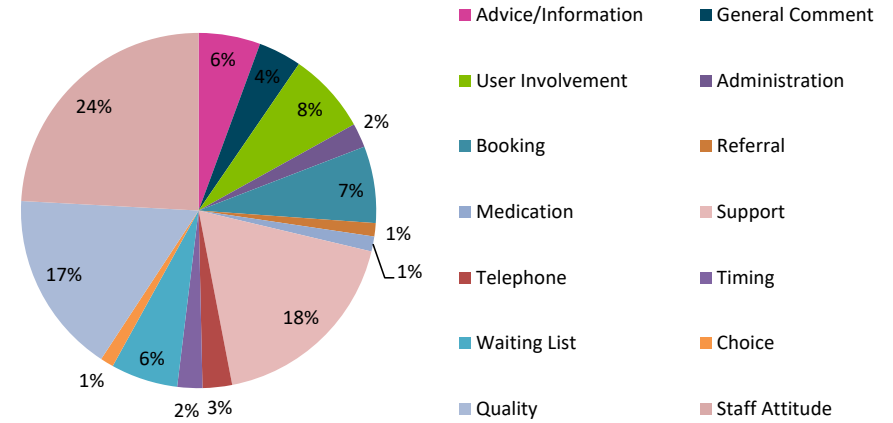
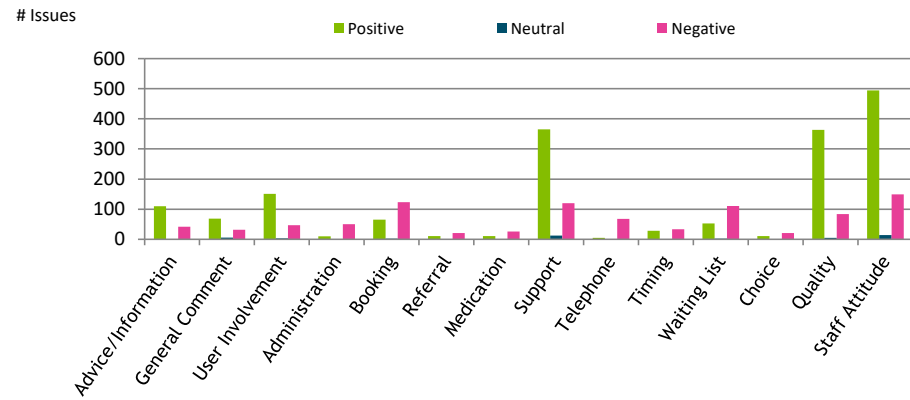


Origins providing the most comments overall

## 2. Health and Care Services: Which service aspects are people most commenting on?

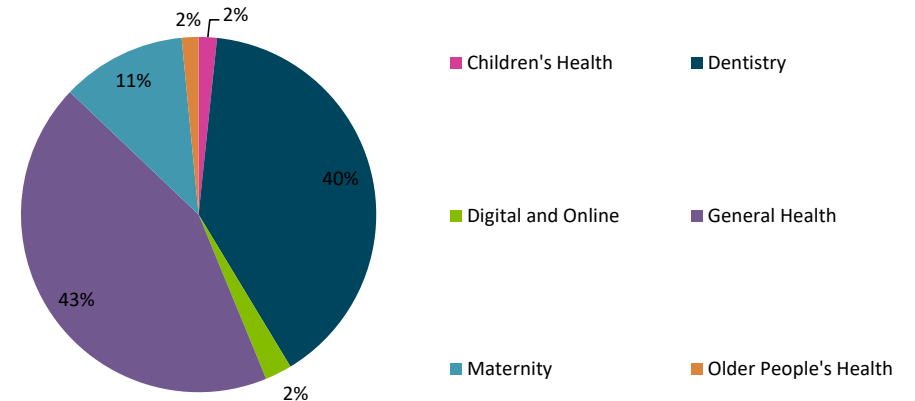
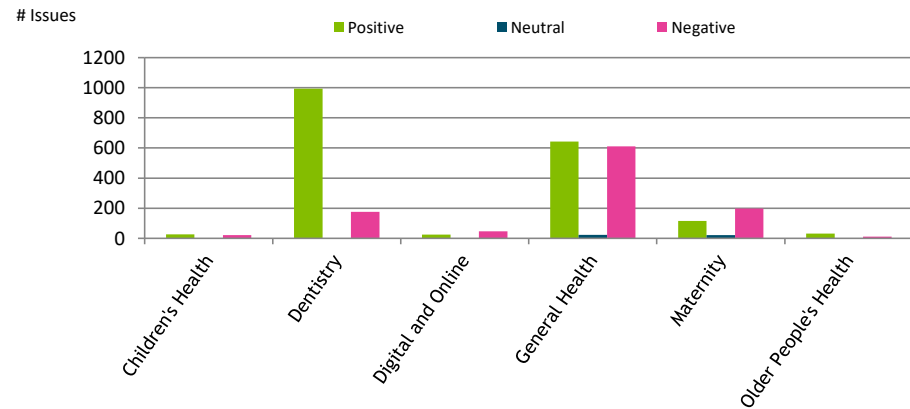


### 2.1 Top Trends: 2968 issues from 689 people



Issues receiving the most comments overall. See pages 19-20 for issue descriptions.

### 2.2 Stated medical conditions

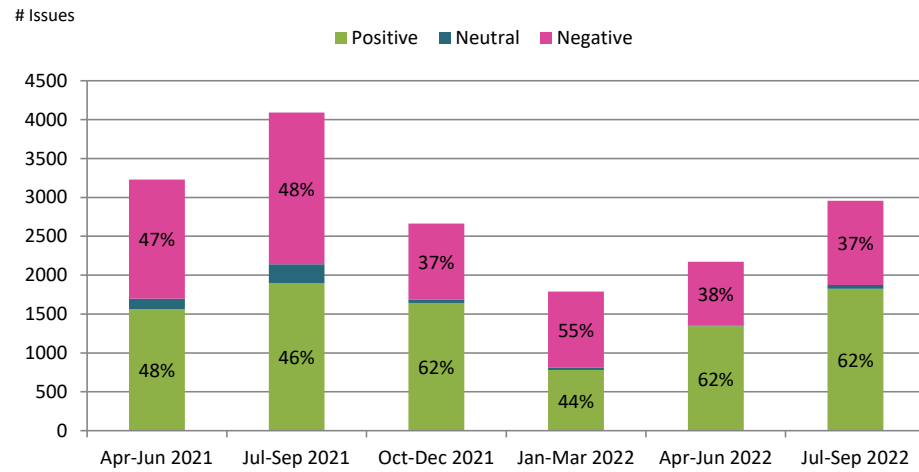


Medical conditions receiving the most comments overall

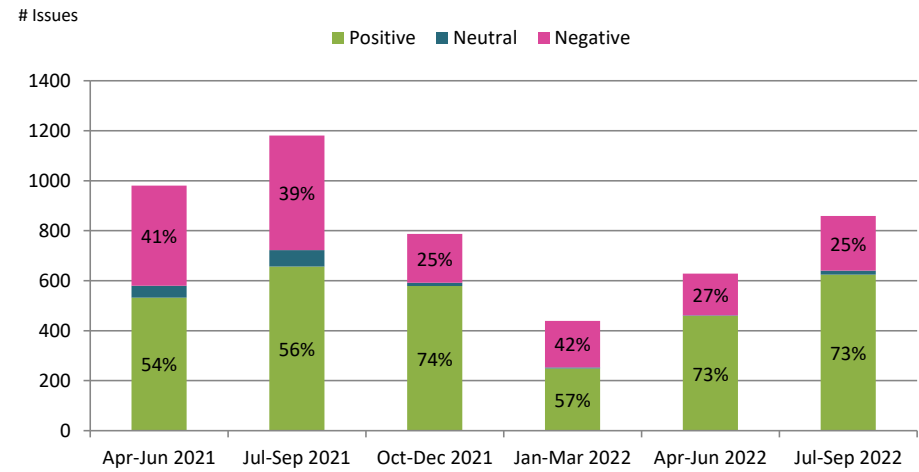
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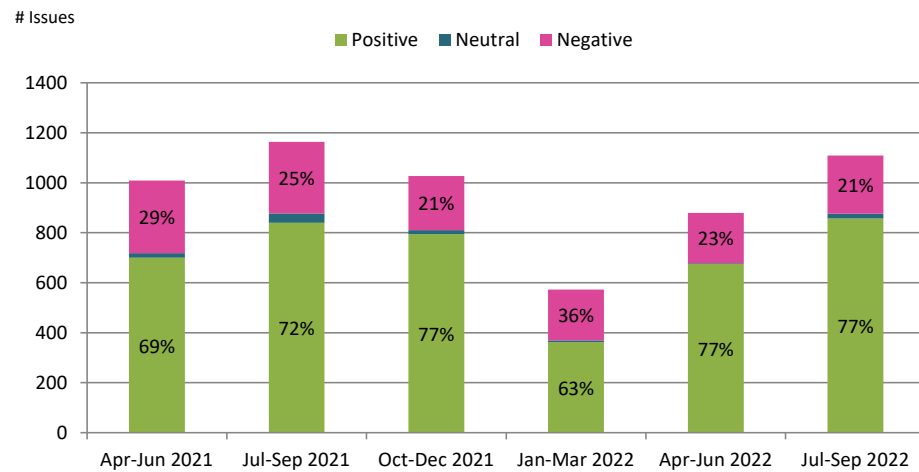
#### 3.1 How do people feel about services overall?



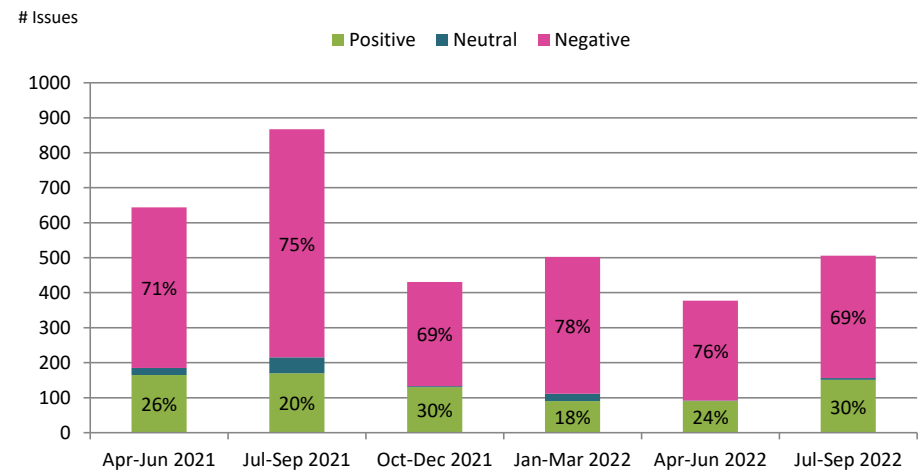
#### 3.2 How well informed, involved and supported do people feel?



#### 3.3 How do people feel about general quality and empathy?



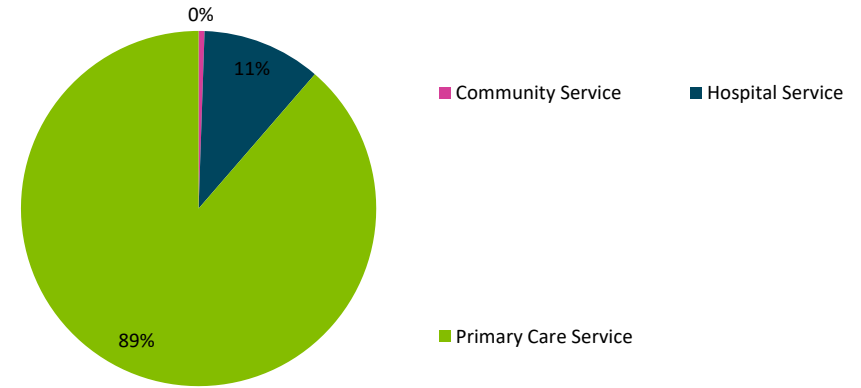
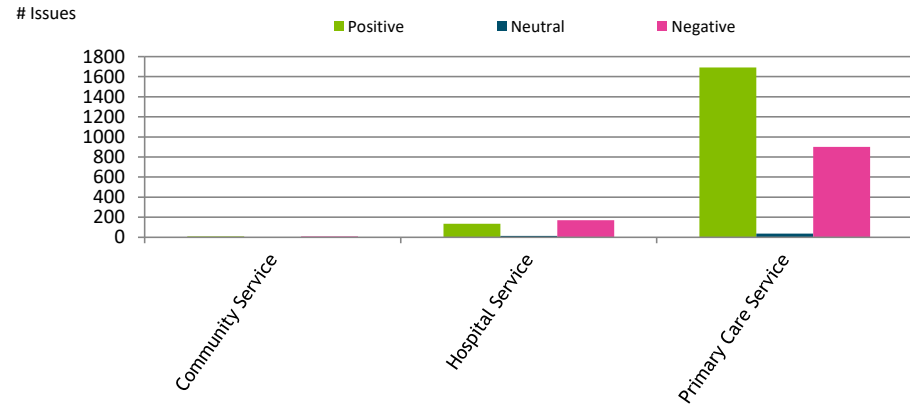
#### 3.4 How do people feel about access to services?



## 4. Trends: Which services are people most commenting on?

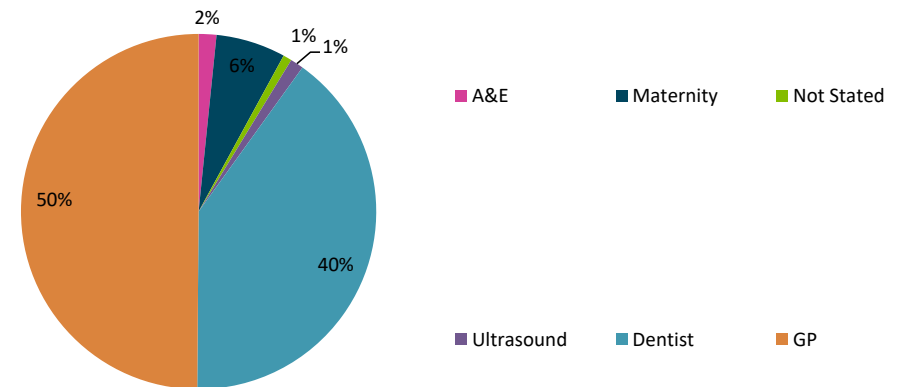
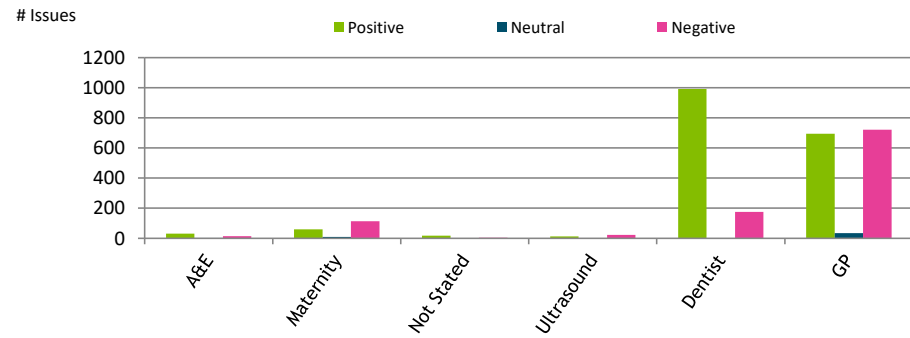


### 4.1 Service Sector



Service sectors receiving the most comments overall

### 4.2 Service Type

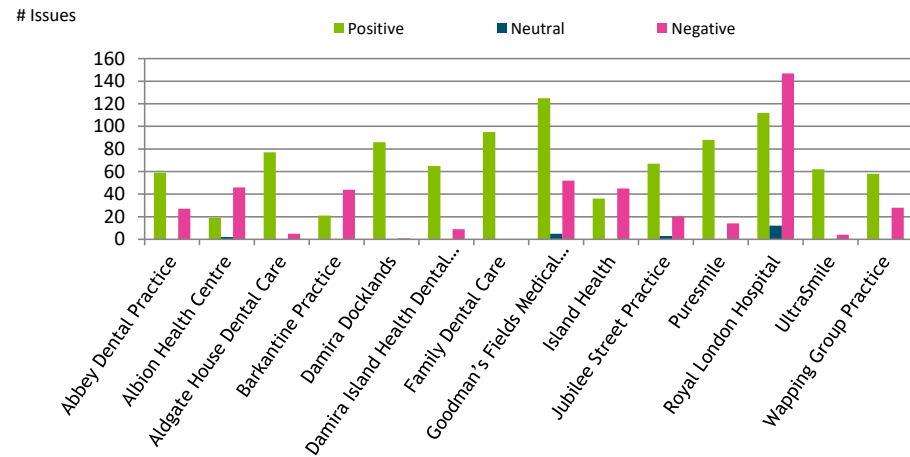


Service type receiving the most comments overall

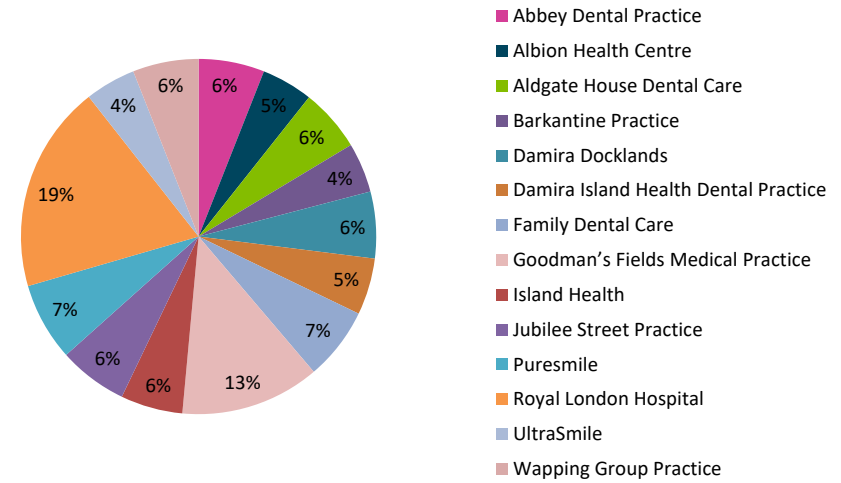
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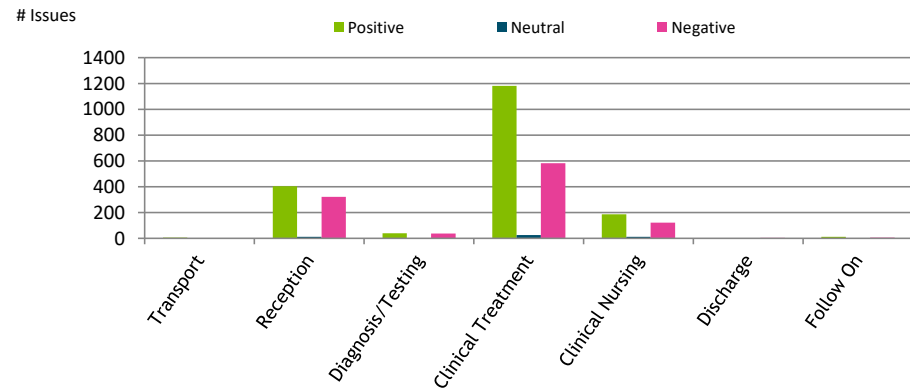
### 4.3 Services



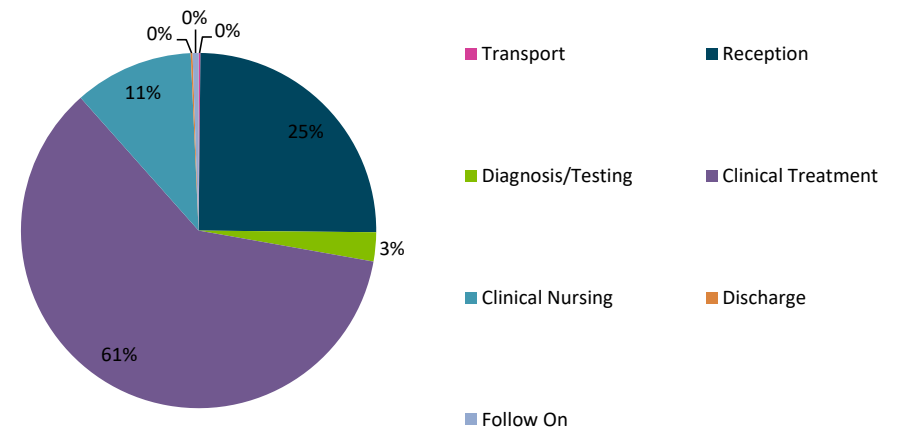
Services receiving the most comments overall



### 4.4 Breakdown of care pathway locations



Care pathway locations

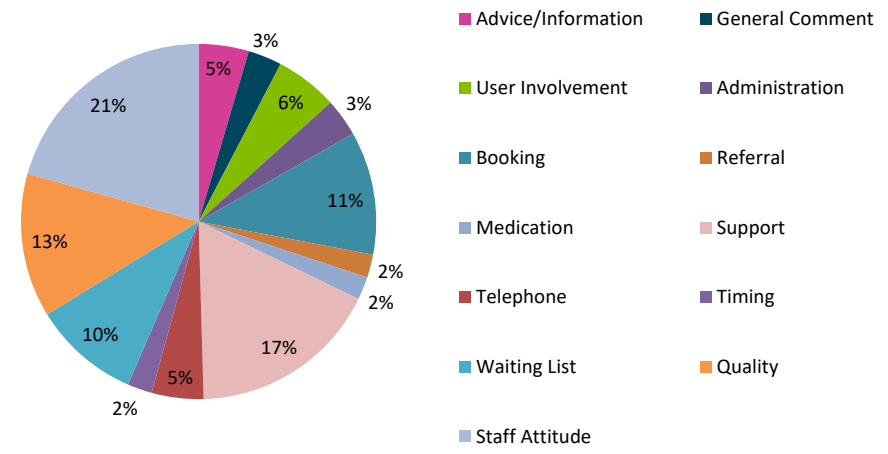
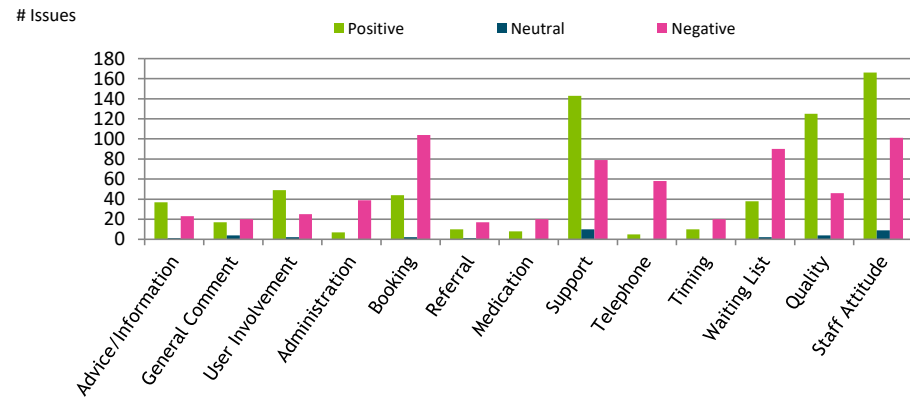




## 5. Trends: GP Services

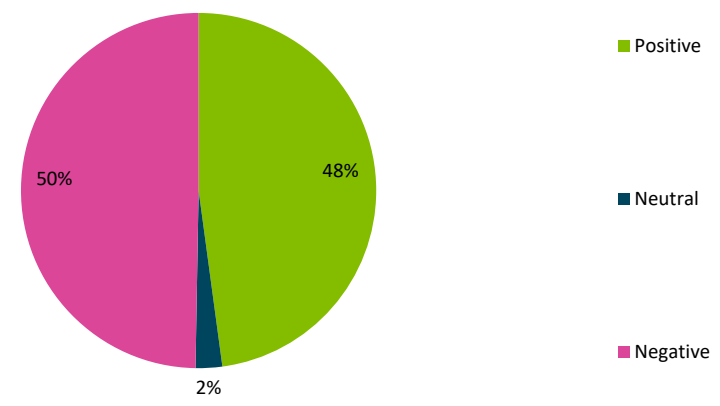
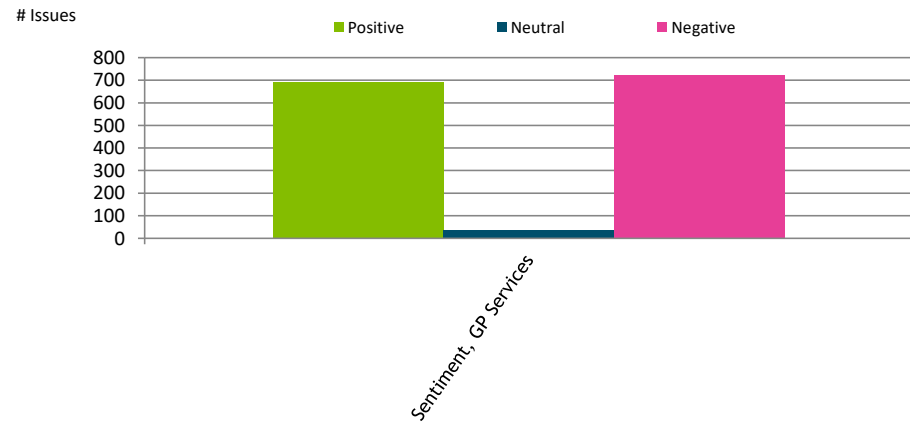


### 5.1 Trends, GP Services: 1450 issues from 347 people



Issues receiving the most comments overall

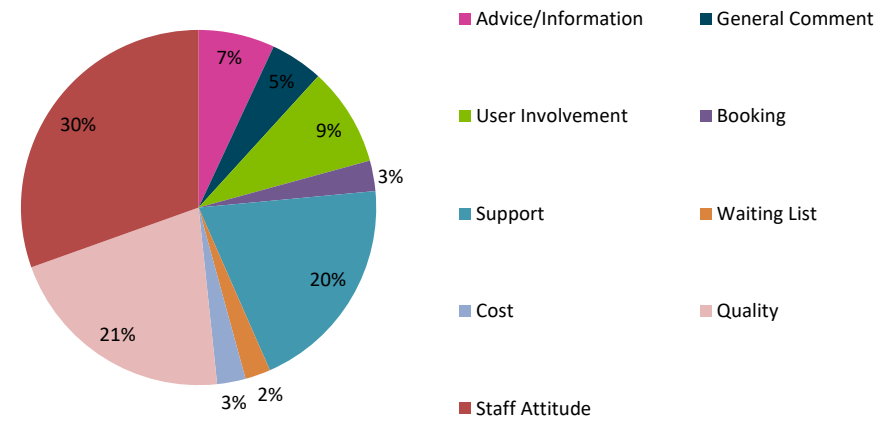
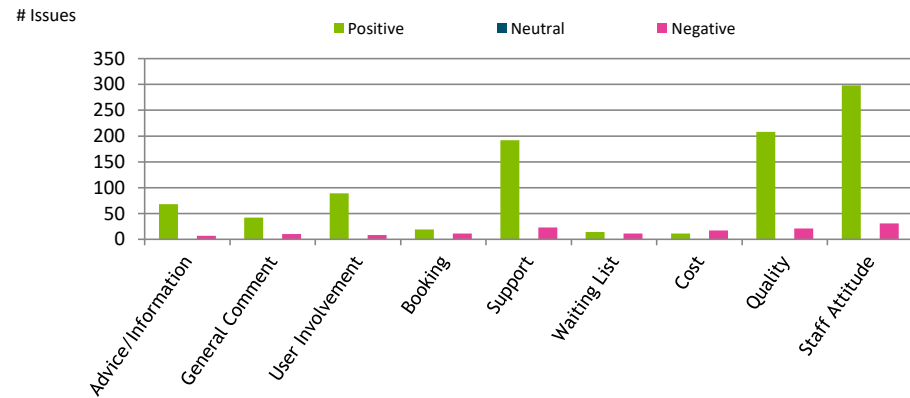
### 5.2 Sentiment, GP Services



## 5. Trends: Dentists

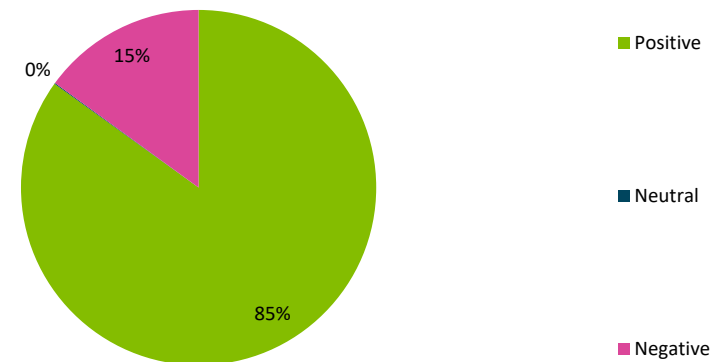
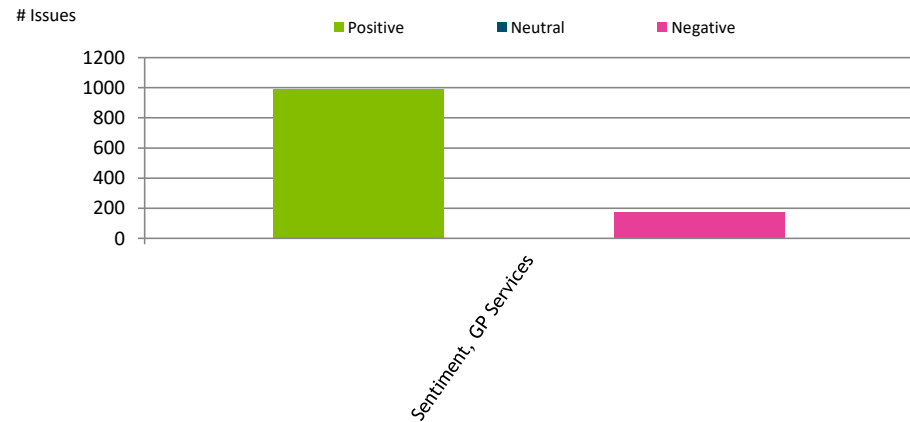


### 5.3 Trends, Dentists: 1168 issues from 262 people



Issues receiving the most comments overall

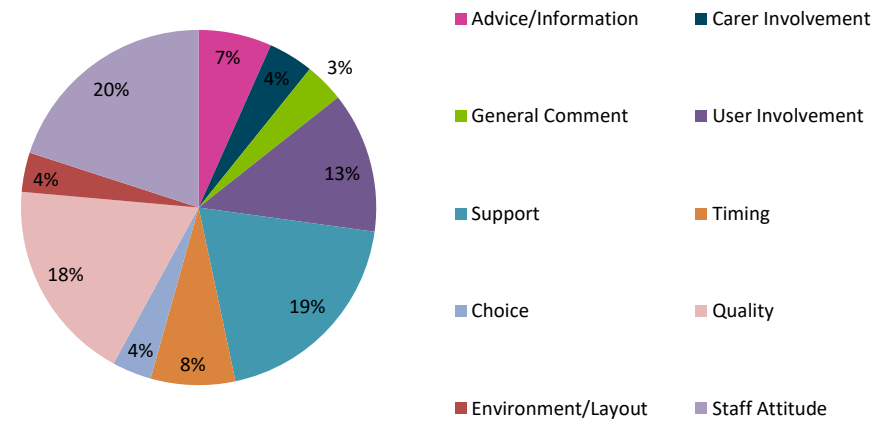
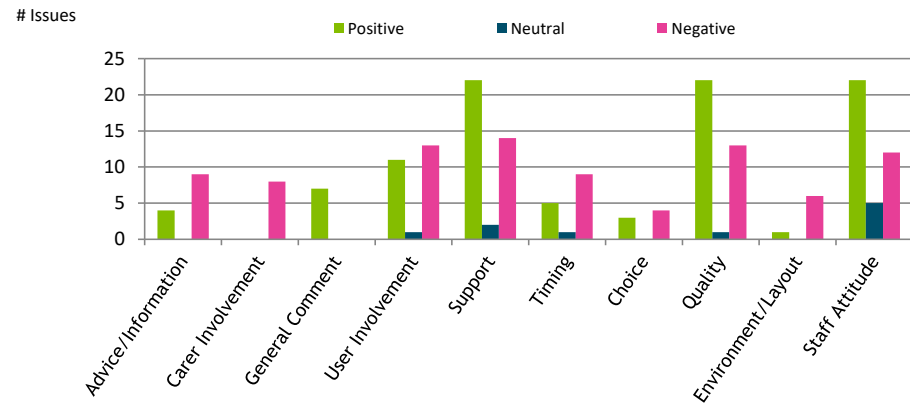
### 5.4 Sentiment, GP Services



## 5. Trends: Royal London Hospital

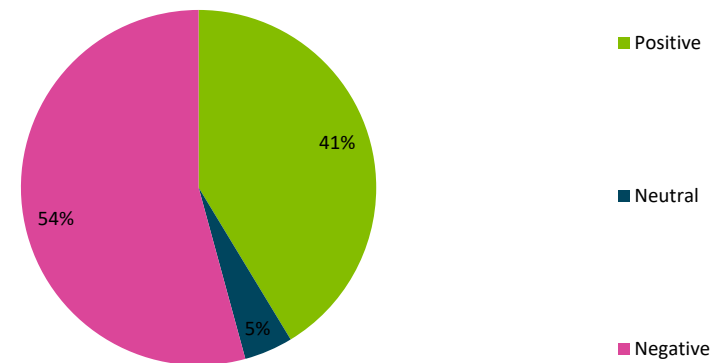
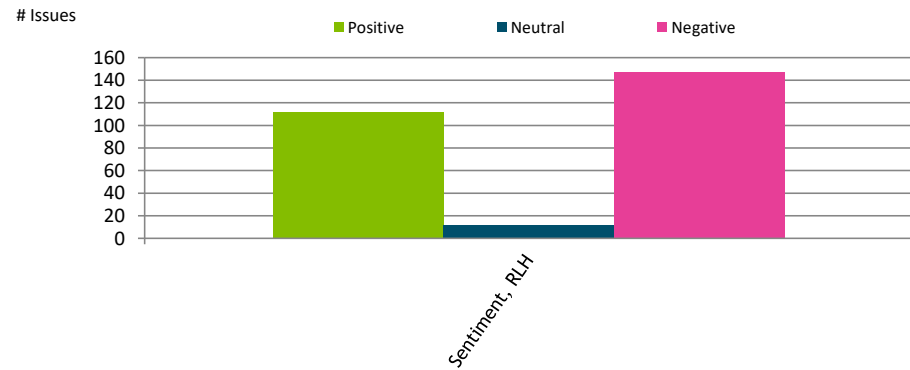


### 5.5 Trends, Royal London Hospital: 271 issues from 59 people



Issues receiving the most comments overall

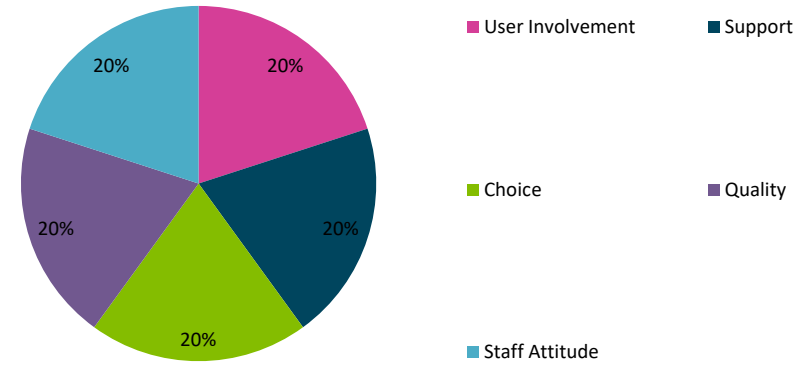
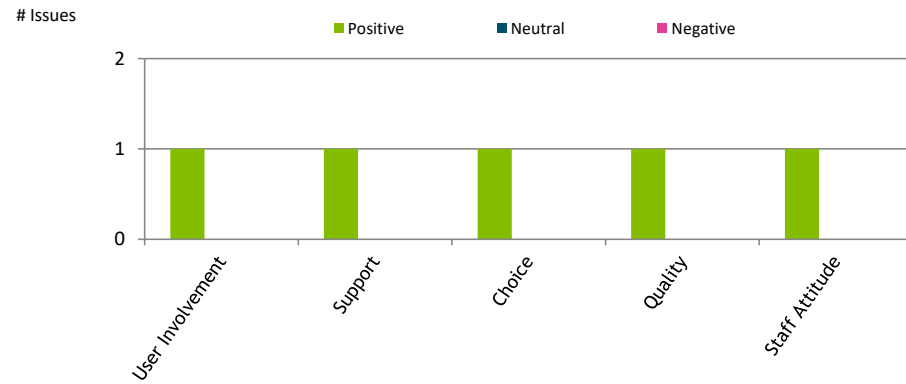
### 5.6 Sentiment, Royal London Hospital



## 6. Care Pathway: Transport (ability to get to-and-from services)

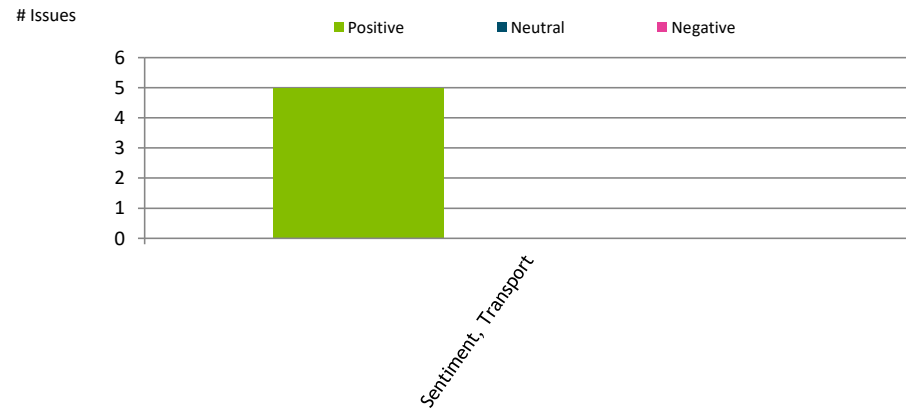


### 6.1 Trends, Transport (5 issues)



Issues receiving the most comments overall

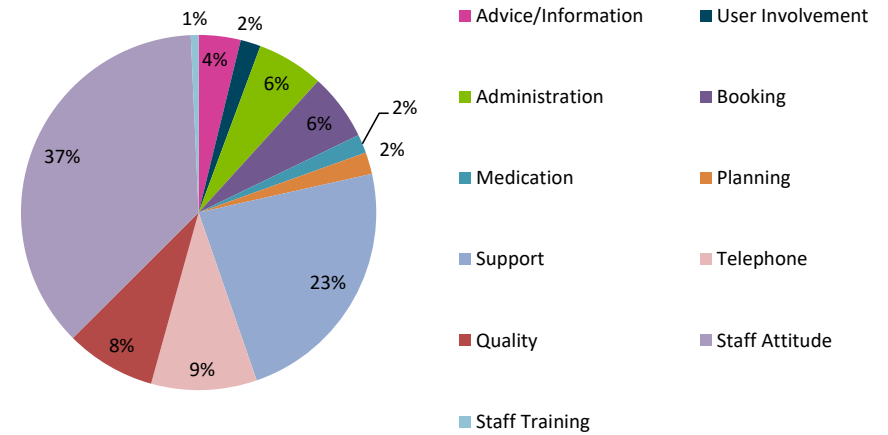
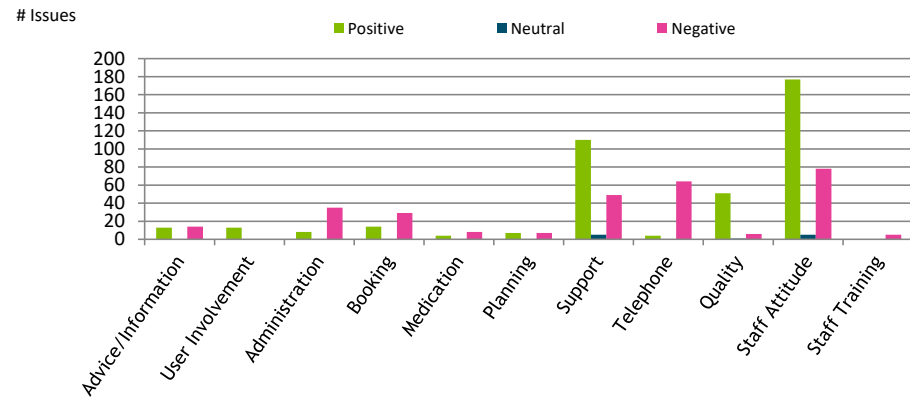
### 6.2 Sentiment, Transport



## 6. Care Pathway: Reception (reception services including back-office)

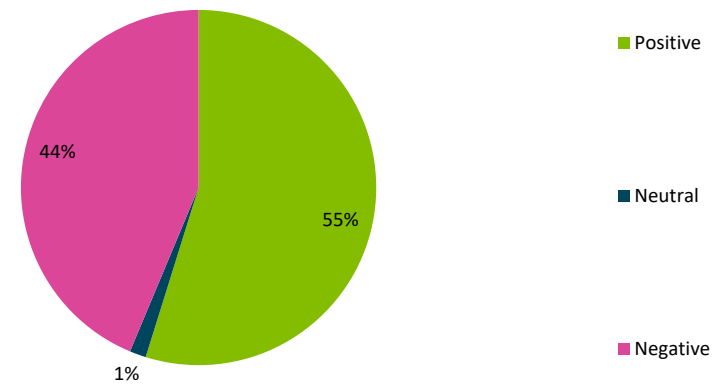
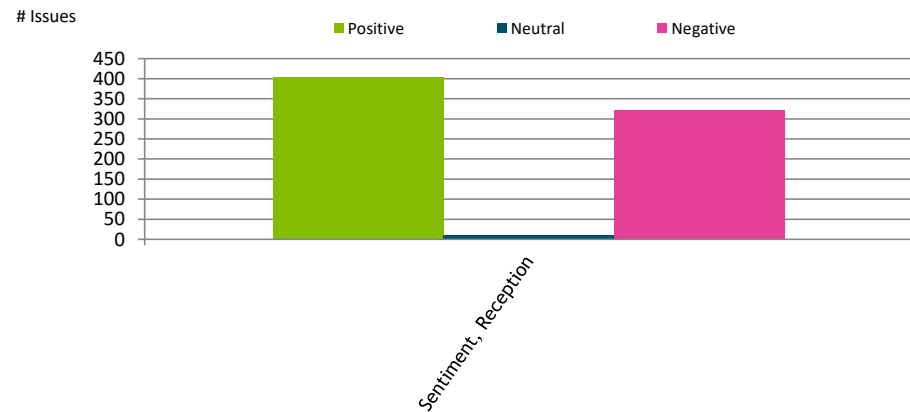


### 6.3 Trends, Reception (737 issues)



Issues receiving the most comments overall

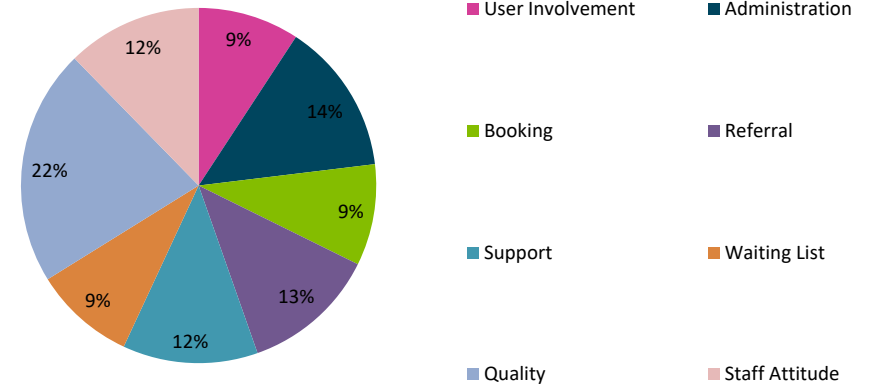
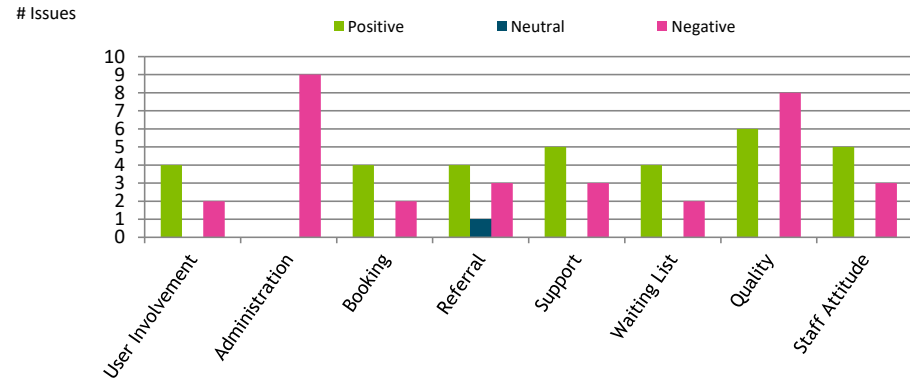
### 6.4 Sentiment, Reception



## 6. Care Pathway: Diagnosis/Testing (diagnosis of condition, including testing and scans)

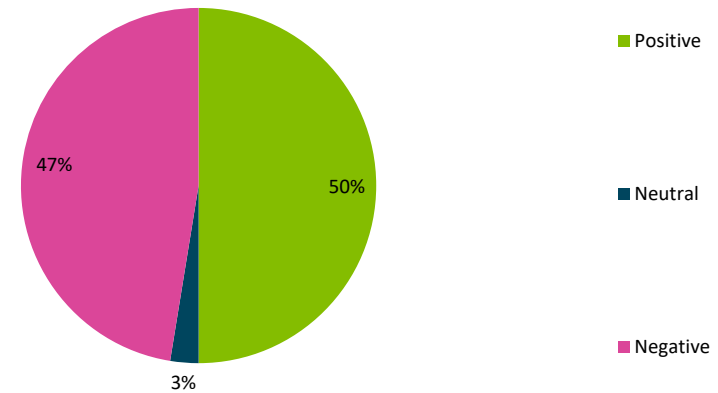
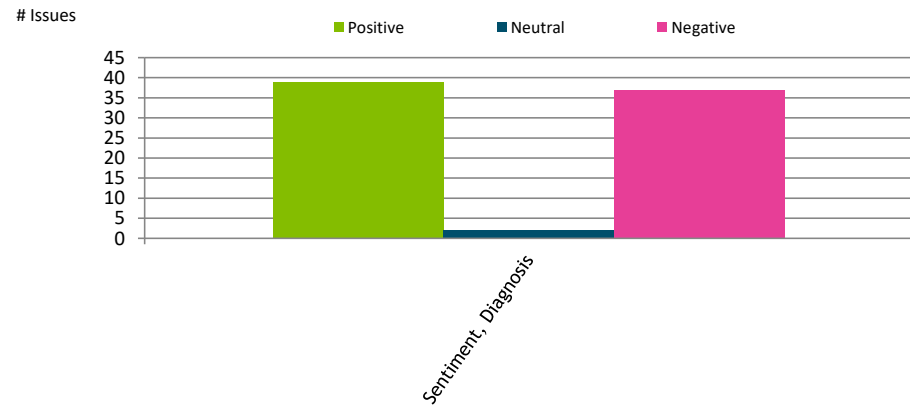


### 6.5 Trends, Diagnosis/Testing (78 issues)



Issues receiving the most comments overall

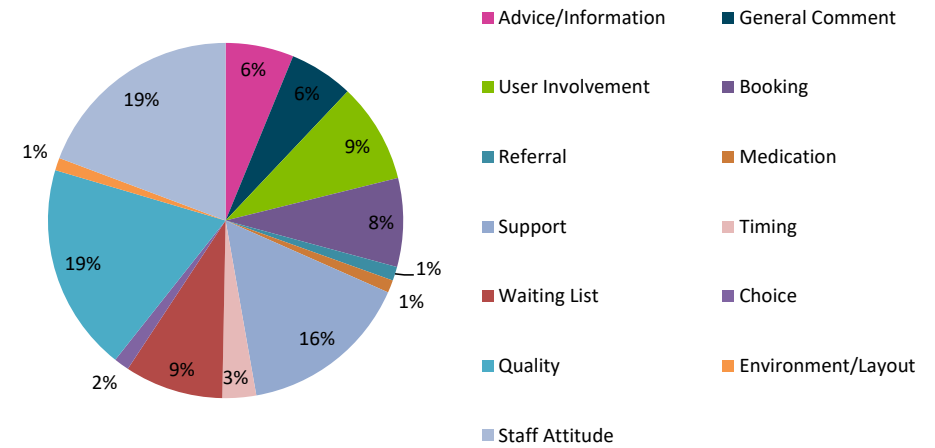
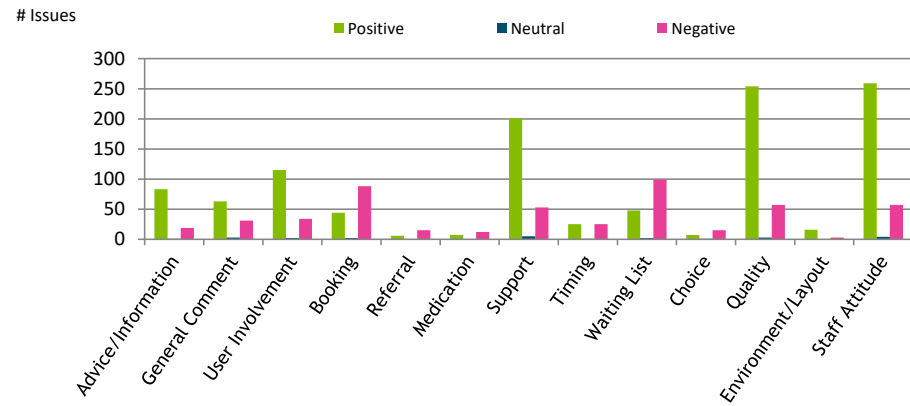
### 6.6 Sentiment, Diagnosis/Testing



## 6. Care Pathway: Clinical Treatment (treatment provided by trained clinicians)

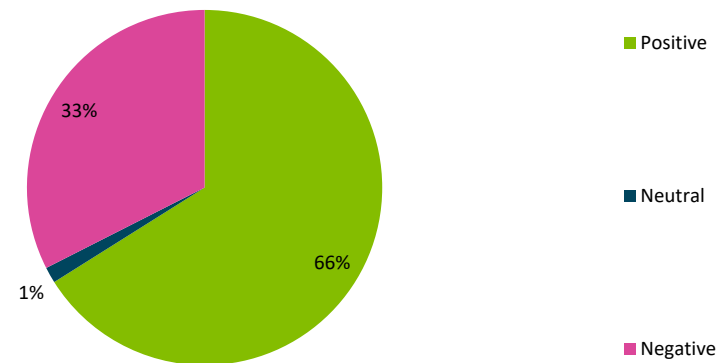
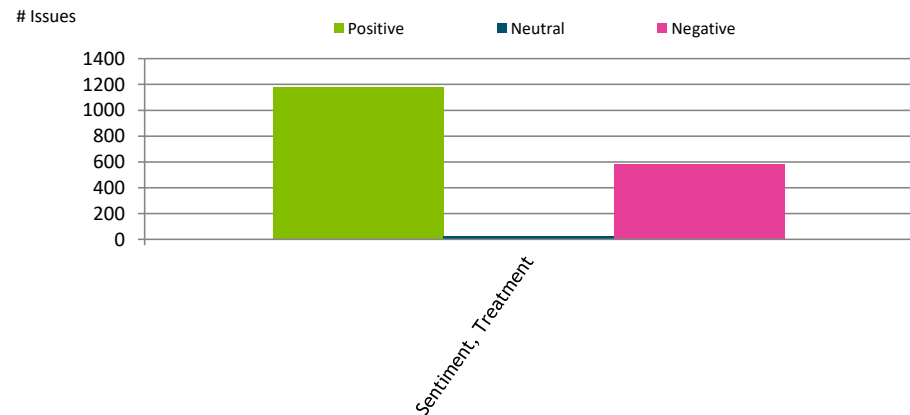


### 6.7 Trends, Clinical Treatment (1789 issues)



Issues receiving the most comments overall

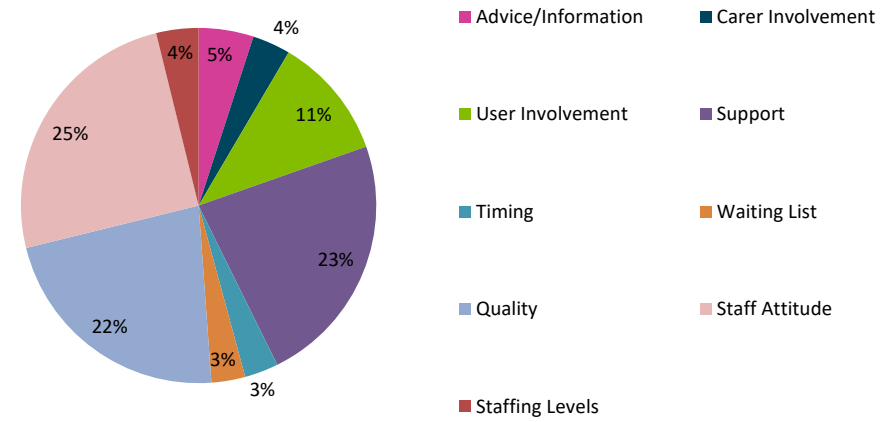
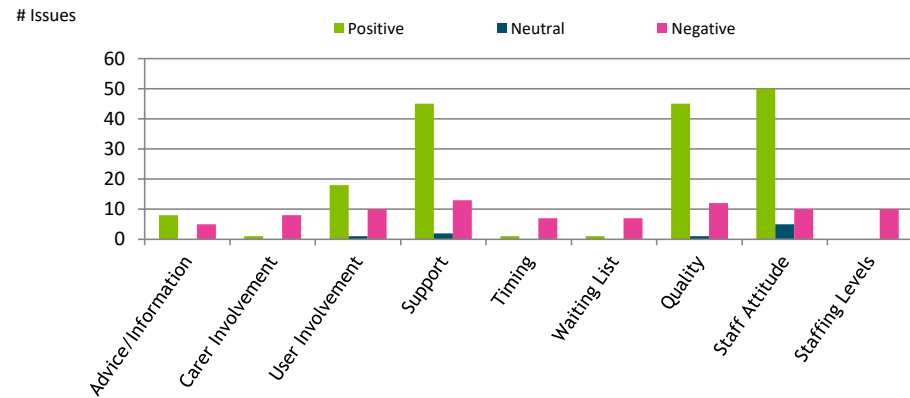
### 6.8 Sentiment, Clinical Treatment



## 6. Care Pathway: Clinical Nursing (care provided by trained nurses)

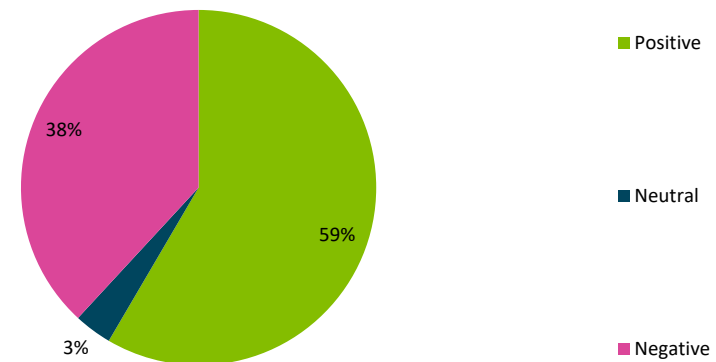
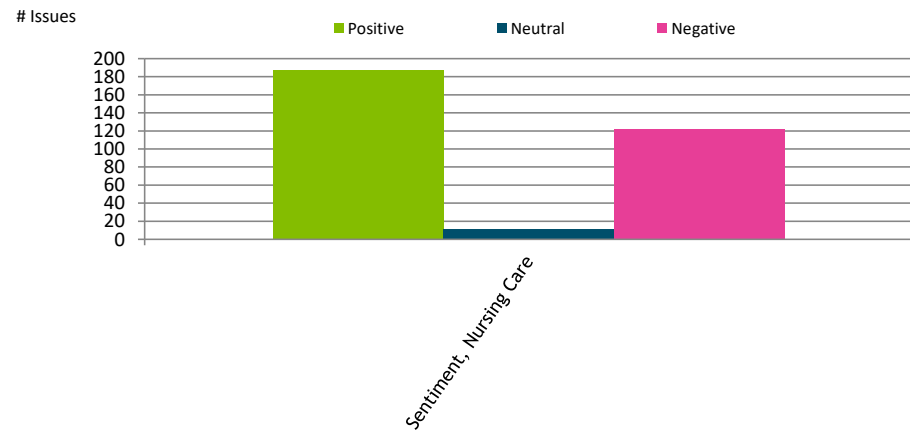


### 6.9 Trends, Clinical Nursing (320 issues)



Issues receiving the most comments overall

### 6.10 Sentiment, Clinical Nursing

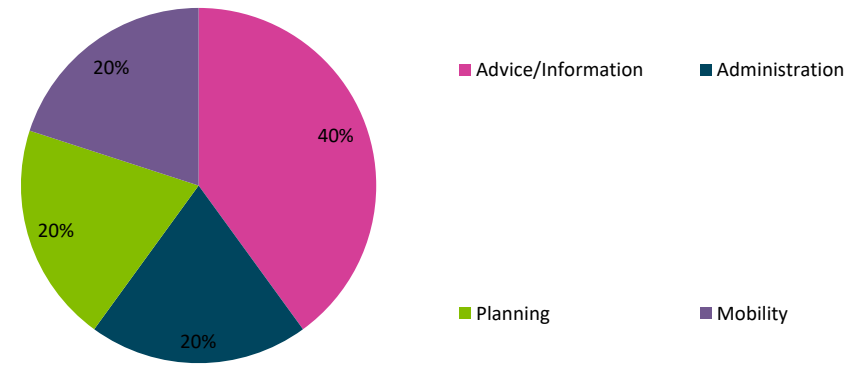
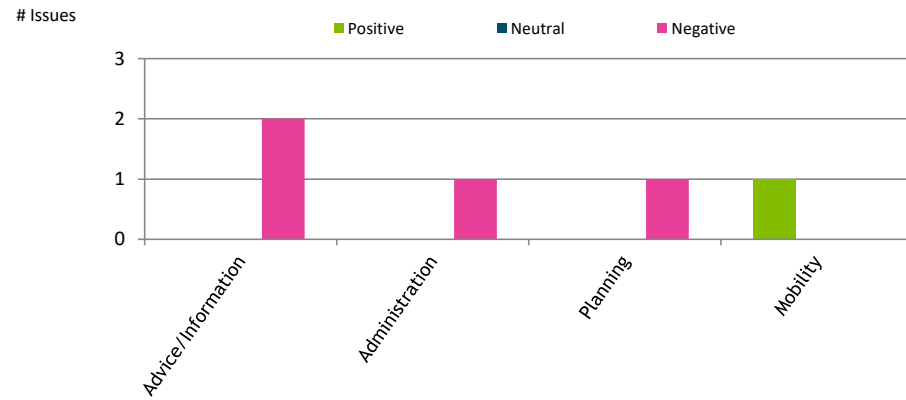




## 6. Care Pathway: Discharge (discharge from a service)

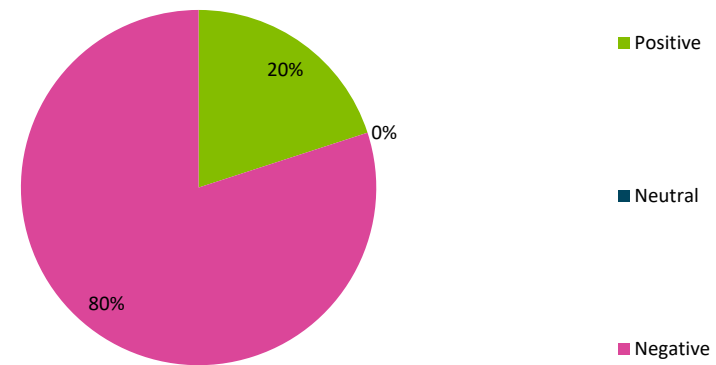
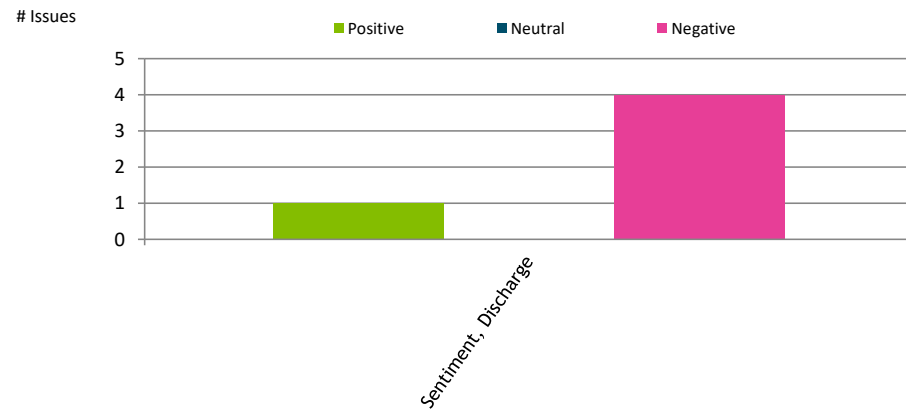


### 6.11 Trends, Discharge (5 issues)



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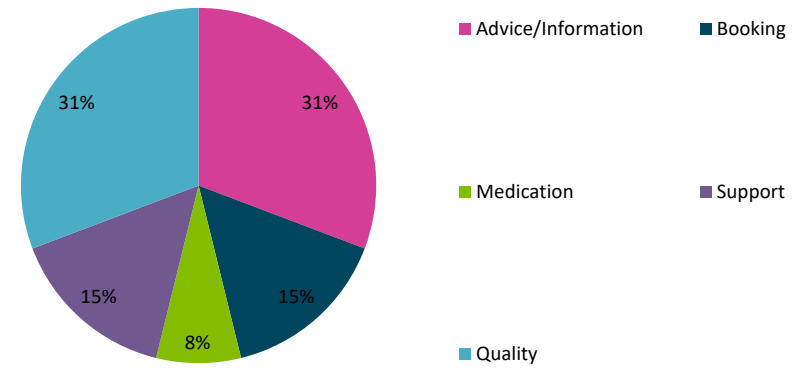
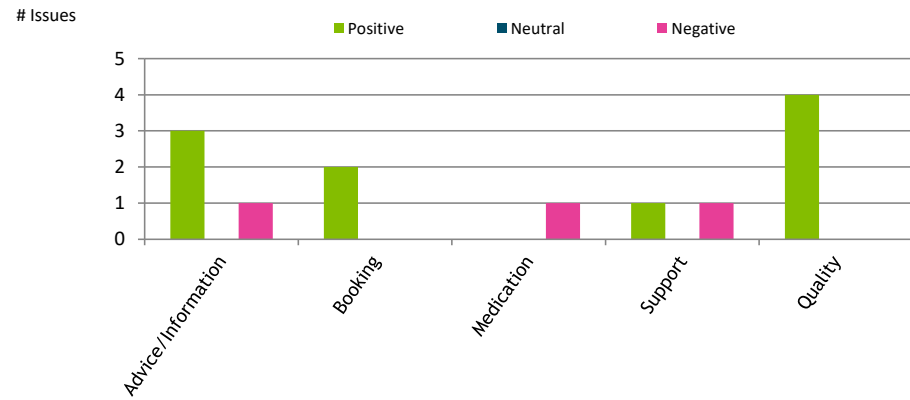
### 6.12 Sentiment, Discharge



## 6. Care Pathway: Follow On (supplementary services following discharge, including care packages)

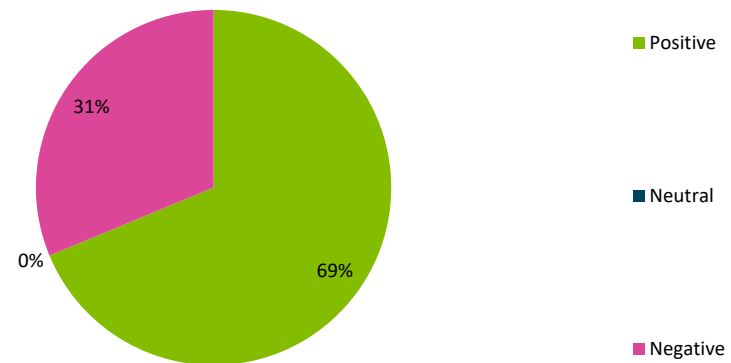
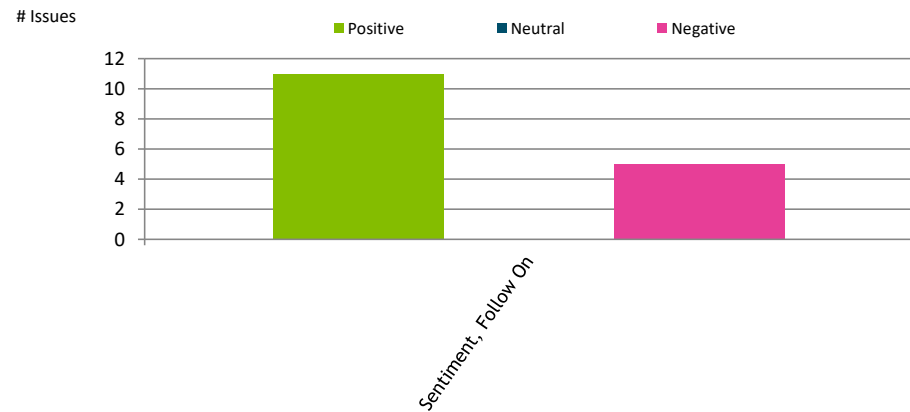


### 6.13 Trends, Follow On (16 issues)



Issues receiving the most comments overall

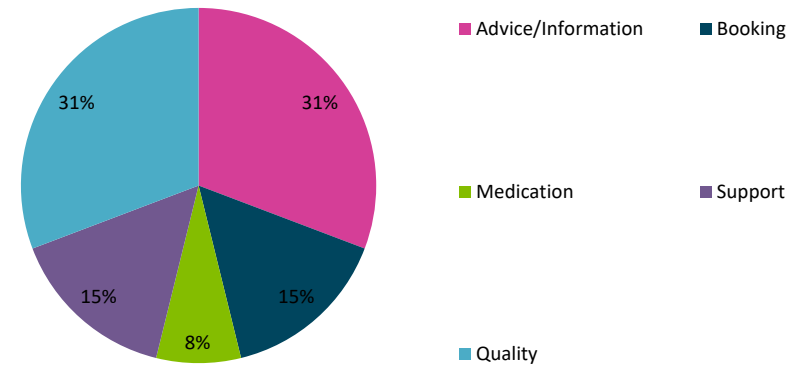
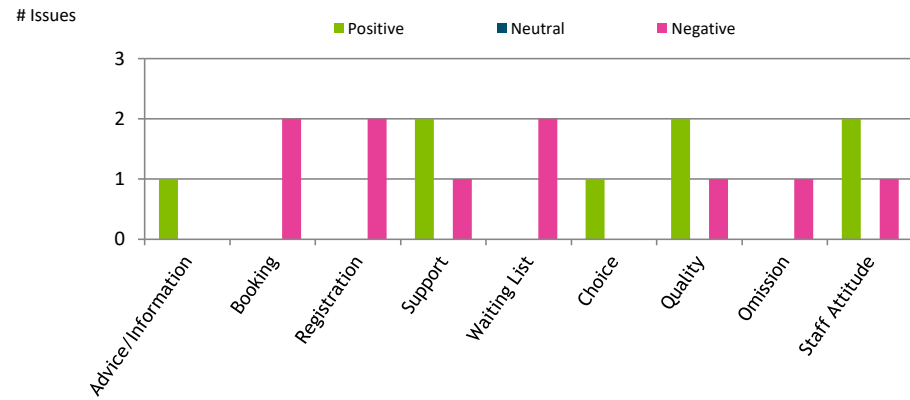
### 6.14 Sentiment, Follow On



## 6. Care Pathway: Community (community health services and social care)

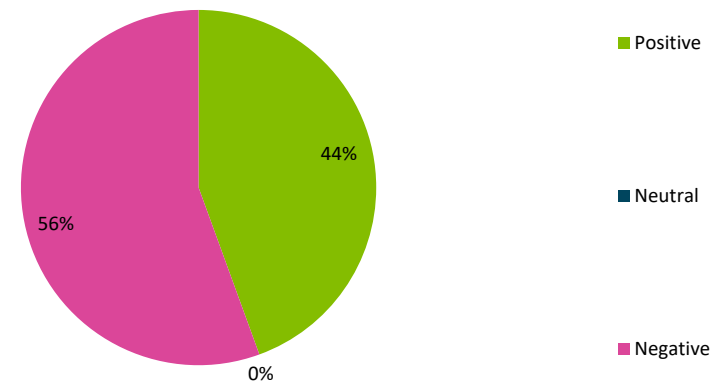
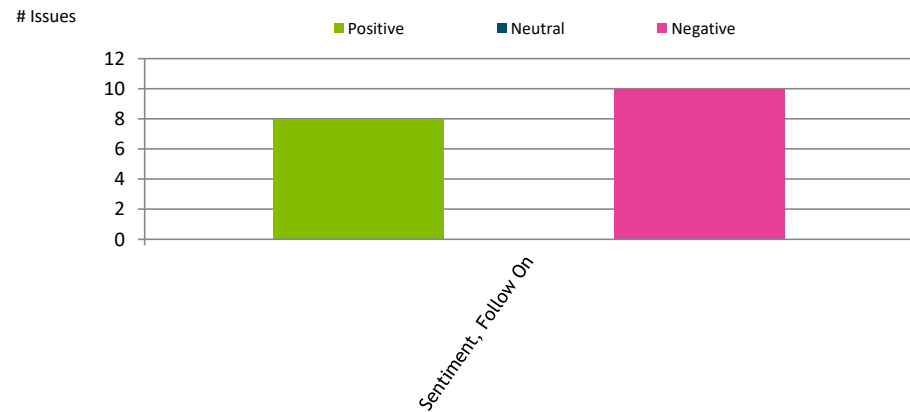


### 6.15 Trends, Community (18 issues)



Issues receiving the most comments overall

### 6.16 Sentiment, Community



## 7. Data Table: Number of issues



	Issue Name	Descriptor	# Issues			
			Positive	Neutral	Negative	Total
Patients/Carers	Advice/Information	<i>Communication, including access to advice and information.</i>	110	1	42	153
	Carer Involvement	<i>Involvement or influence of carers and family members.</i>	11	0	10	21
	Peer Involvement	<i>Involvement or Influence of friends.</i>	0	0	0	0
	General Comment	<i>A generalised statement (ie; "The doctor was good.")</i>	69	6	32	107
	User Involvement	<i>Involvement or influence of the service user.</i>	151	3	47	201
Systems	Administration	<i>Administrative processes and delivery.</i>	10	0	50	60
	Admission	<i>Physical admission to a hospital ward, or other service.</i>	0	0	5	5
	Booking	<i>Ability to book, reschedule or cancel appointments.</i>	65	2	123	190
	Cancellations	<i>Cancellation of appointment by the service provider.</i>	0	0	10	10
	Data Protection	<i>General data protection (including GDPR).</i>	0	0	1	1
	Referral	<i>Referral to a service.</i>	11	1	21	33
	Medical Records	<i>Management of medical records.</i>	3	0	4	7
	Medication	<i>Prescription and management of medicines.</i>	11	0	26	37
	Opening Times	<i>Opening times of a service.</i>	3	0	10	13
	Planning	<i>Leadership and general organisation.</i>	8	0	10	18
	Registration	<i>Ability to register for a service.</i>	1	2	8	11
	Support	<i>Levels of support provided.</i>	365	12	120	497
	Telephone	<i>Ability to contact a service by telephone.</i>	5	0	68	73
	Timing	<i>Physical timing (ie; length of wait at appointments).</i>	28	1	33	62
	Waiting List	<i>Length of wait while on a list.</i>	53	2	111	166
Values	Choice	<i>General choice.</i>	11	1	21	33
	Cost	<i>General cost.</i>	11	0	20	31
	Language	<i>Language, including terminology.</i>	2	0	8	10
	Nutrition	<i>Provision of sustenance.</i>	2	0	1	3
	Privacy	<i>Privacy, personal space and property.</i>	3	0	5	8
	Quality	<i>General quality of a service, or staff.</i>	363	5	84	452
	Sensory	<i>Deaf/blind or other sensory issues.</i>	0	0	0	0
	Stimulation	<i>General stimulation, including access to activities.</i>	1	0	0	1

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	Issue Name	Descriptor	# Issues			
			Positive	Neutral	Negative	Total
Environment	Catchment/Distance	<i>Distance to a service (and catchment area for eligibility).</i>	2	0	2	4
	Environment/Layout	<i>Physical environment of a service.</i>	16	0	8	24
	Equipment	<i>General equipment issues.</i>	3	0	2	5
	Hazard	<i>General hazard to safety (ie; a hospital wide infection).</i>	1	0	2	3
	Hygiene	<i>Levels of hygiene and general cleanliness.</i>	18	0	1	19
	Mobility	<i>Physical mobility to, from and within services.</i>	1	0	1	2
	Travel/Parking	<i>Ability to travel or park.</i>	0	0	1	1
Staff	Omission	<i>General omission (ie; transport did not arrive).</i>	0	0	12	12
	Security/Conduct	<i>General security of a service, including conduct of staff.</i>	4	0	3	7
	Staff Attitude	<i>Attitude, compassion and empathy of staff.</i>	494	14	149	657
	Complaints	<i>Ability to log and resolve a complaint.</i>	0	0	6	6
	Staff Training	<i>Training of staff.</i>	1	0	8	9
	Staffing Levels	<i>General availability of staff.</i>	0	0	18	18
<b>Total:</b>			<b>1837</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>1083</b>	<b>2970</b>