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Dear Provider

**Mid-year 2020/21 review – 123456/0001**

Our Provider Assurance team monitors the data we collect and hold on behalf of NHS England & NHS Improvement to give assurances about the quality, effectiveness and value for money delivered under NHS primary care dentistry contracts. We deliver a wide range of services on behalf of NHS England & NHS Improvement Commissioning Teams across England and a key part of our role is to deliver your Mid-Year review.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the impact on dental activity, the mid-year review for 2020/21 has been revised in line with the contract management arrangements detailed in the [NHS England & NHSE Improvement letters of preparedness](https://www.england.nhs.uk/coronavirus/publication/preparedness-letters-for-dental-care/) .

To clarify there will not be a review of mid-year delivery activity for the period 1 April to 30 September or subsequent withholding of payments as applicable in previous mid-year reviews. This follows the 1 April to 7 June closure period and 20 July to 30 September where practices were expected to carry out face to face treatments and remote triage at a minimum 20% of usual patient activity level. Practices should be working in line with requirements communicated in the letters of preparedness and the Transition to recovery Standard Operation Procedure (SOP) and Urgent dental care SOP (if applicable).

NHSBSA are currently working with NHS England & NHS Improvement to produce an appropriate methodology to establish delivery in the period 20 July to 30 September. More detail will follow in due course. Once a methodology is agreed all contracts not meeting the conditions of the [letter of preparedness dated 13 July 2020](https://www.england.nhs.uk/coronavirus/wp-content/uploads/sites/52/2020/03/C0603-Dental-preparedness-letter_July-2020.pdf) will be contacted by NHSBSA Provider Assurance.

We will soon communicate further details regarding contractual management arrangements for 2020/21.

You can continue to monitor your contract’s FP17/FP17(O) submission via your Compass schedule and the monthly dentistry reports, which can be found by logging in here:

<https://www.nhsbsa.nhs.uk/compass>

If you have any queries about claim submission, please visit our Ask Us page for FP17/FP17(O) guidance:

<https://nhsbsa-live.powerappsportals.com/knowledgebase/>

NHS England & NHS Improvement and NHSBSA Provider Assurance Dental, part of the NHS Business Services Authority, thank you for your on-going commitment to NHS dentistry.

Yours faithfully

Provider Assurance Team

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