



Helping Primary Care Networks Grow and Deliver

The creation of Primary Care Networks (PCNs) is a key focus of the NHS Long Term Plan; as is the role these networks will play in the delivery of services for people with long term conditions. Yet, setting up PCNs and ensuring they continue to run efficiently is a huge undertaking for those involved.

At Education for Health, we're offering a range of support to enable you to set-up and effectively work within a PCN. Packages are tailored to suit your local needs and budgets.

A support package from Education for Health can help you:

- Understand your local population
- Build effective networks
- Map local services
- Map your patient journeys
- Lead the PCN

We also provide a range of tools, courses and training centred on **improving health outcomes** in the longer term. Our packages are available for GPs, nurses, HCAs, practice managers, practice staff and pharmacists.

Our PCN support programmes

While our PCN support programmes can be as tailored as you require, if you're not quite sure where to start then one of our programme options may work for you.

We've divided our support into areas based on the stage you are at. Our programmes can also be tailored to focus on specific disease areas to match the priorities in your local area.

Our PCN support programmes include:

- **Creating the PCN infrastructure:** In order to create a successful PCN, it is important to have the necessary professional skills, such as leadership and networking in place, as well as a strong understanding of local services and processes.
- **Improving health outcomes for people with long term conditions:** Once your PCN is up and running, we can support you to develop a comprehensive understanding of your local patient population, improve services and work with other providers.
- **Specialist clinical support and development:** Fundamental to the success of your PCN is clinical knowledge and expertise. We offer short workshops and academically accredited courses to enable healthcare professionals to stay up to date and offer the very best patient care.

Making your PCN happen

Where do you start? Setting up a PCN can seem rather daunting; what do you *have* to do and what do you *want* to do? Who will play what role in the network? How do you ensure that your network succeeds?

Our team of consultants and education and clinical specialists can help you through the process of creating the network, providing a range of support including:

- **Bespoke workshops** - designed around your own local needs to create the network and supporting infrastructure.
- **Service planning** – identifying priorities with plans to support implementation.
- **Developmental needs** – undertaking training needs assessments.
- **Managing diametrically opposed ideas within the context of a network** – how to reach consensus.

Long term conditions are among the most serious health problems facing our society, but outcomes can be improved. It is therefore no surprise that many PCNs are identifying these as one of their key priorities. Our Asthma, Diabetes, CVD or COPD support can be tailored to focus on the requirements in your local area.

Your needs not listed? Contact us to discuss your specific priorities and goals.

Why work with Education for Health?

- **We work flexibly.** If our standard offering isn't quite right for you, we're happy to find a tailored solution to tackle your primary challenges.
- **We know Primary Care.** Our training and academic courses are developed by clinical and educational specialists, who all have experience of working in Primary Care. They understand the challenges you face daily in practice, as well as being at the forefront of their subject areas.
- **Our great track record.** Over the last 32 years, we've trained thousands of healthcare professionals. Our courses and trainers are constantly positively evaluated, and our students tell us that we've helped them change and improve their patient care.
- **Our focused approach.** We've developed our tools and courses to ensure they are relevant to the needs of today's healthcare professionals. Our PCN support offer will take you through the steps of setting up a PCN to further understanding the priorities within your local patient population to developing the clinical skills and knowledge of your teams.

Get in Touch:

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