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# The future of general practice

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# Wider primary care

- General practice
- Pharmacy
- Dentistry
- Optometry

First three all have new contracts as does  
optometry in Scotland

# General practice

Four drivers:

- nGMS Contract
- Plurality of provision
- Practice-based commissioning (PBC)
- Care closer to home

# Contract types

- nGMS 67% by numbers
- PMS 33% by numbers
  
- PCTMS) 3% by expenditure
- APMS )

# Changing workforce

- Salaried practice (10% of total)
- Women doctors (43% of total)
- Part-time/sessional contracts (28% of total – 49% of women)
- Nurse practitioners ( 1 for every 3 practices)
- Health care assistants ( 2 for every 3 practices)

# nGMS Contract

- Practice – based
- Weighted capitation component
- Quality framework
- Enhanced services capability

# nGMS Contract

In 2005/06, the position was expected to be as follows:

- Average practice turnover - £650,000
- Weighted capitation etc - £320,000 (50%)
- Quality payments - £120,000 (18%)
- Enhanced services - £35,000

# Some conclusions

- Larger average lists per GP principal
- Changed skill mix
  - Substitution
  - Specialisation
- More integration of care
- More focus on efficiency
  - Self imposed
  - Through pay system