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Workplace CVD Health Checks

Expression of Interest

October 2024

Workplace Cardiovascular Disease (CVD) Health Check Pilot – Expression of Interest

Introduction

Telford & Wrekin Council have secured funding from the Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC) to implement a CVD Health Check pilot in workplace settings across Telford and Wrekin up until 31 March 2025. The pilot aims to gather evidence on the feasibility and impact of workplace CVD checks and spot the early signs of heart disease.

We are seeking Expressions of Interest from Community Pharmacy Team(s) who can work with the Council's Health Improvement Team to undertake CVD checks, record on PharmOutcomes and provide results and information to individuals to reduce their risk of having a heart attack, stroke or developing type 2 diabetes. There will be a requirement for onward signposting/referral to appropriate organisations, particularly the council's Healthy Lifestyles/Stop Smoking Service, Community Pharmacy and General Practice.

The CVD check will comprise of the following.

- Background information i.e. Age, ethnicity, sex, occupational group, and GP registration.
- QRISK3.
- BP AF and Pulse
- Type 2 Diabetes risk (HbA1c).
- Smoking status.
- BMI.
- Onward referral/signposting.

The following equipment will be provided to Community Pharmacy:

Afinion AS100 analysers - software version 7.05
Afinion Lipid Panel tests EU (but ordered by Community Pharmacy)
Afinion HbA1c, 15 tests, EUR (but ordered by Community Pharmacy)
Blood pressure monitors
Handheld carbon monoxide monitors and single use tubes
Scales and height measures

The following equipment will need to be provided by the Community Pharmacy team(s):

Unistik 3 lancets
Sharps disposal
Refrigeration required at Community Pharmacy for sample checks (internal quality control)
Alcohol wipes
PPE i.e. gloves, face masks
Tech i.e. tablets / laptops

Assurances must be given to the safe handling, storage, use and upkeep of equipment.

The pilot looks to deliver 2500 CVD checks in total. The main partner identified to support this delivery and work towards achieving this target is Community Pharmacy. A total of £48,000 has been ringfenced for Community Pharmacy to express their interest in delivering this element of the pilot. Nuffield Health have also been identified as a partner and will be supporting the delivery of CVD health checks through their charitable arm. The time they can commit will be significantly less than what we are looking to Community Pharmacy to provide and therefore anticipate them delivering approximately 10% of the total checks.

Telford & Wrekin Council Health Improvement will be responsible for identifying and liaising with the workplaces. Community Pharmacy team(s) will be notified of dates and times for checks to be undertaken. It is planned that these visits will commence at the beginning of November 2024, up until 31 March 2025, except for two weeks off at Christmas as specified in the contract. A minimum of 3 days a week has been estimated to achieve the total number of checks. This may need to be exceeded if the target number of checks falls short.

Training will be provided for Point of Care testing, capillary samples for Lipids and HbA1c. This will be undertaken by Abbott and will also include Internal Quality Control.

Additional eLearning can be found here:

- [CPPE Vascular Risk and the NHS Health Check programme](#)
- [NHSE Health Check \(HCV\)](#)
- [NHS Health Check competency framework](#)
- [NHS Health Check learner and assessor workbook](#)

The successful Community Pharmacy will have to produce a Standard Operating Procedure to ensure safe and effective delivery of the checks. Please refer to the NHS Health Check [programme standards](#) and [best practice guidance](#).

Telford & Wrekin Council will be responsible for compiling aggregated data back to DHSC based on accurate reporting by Community Pharmacy. Employer and Employee Impact Case Studies are sought from Community Pharmacy to capture successes and improvements of the pilot.

The total value of this contract for the delivery of the CVD health checks is £48,000. Telford & Wrekin Council are seeking EOIs from either an individual community pharmacy or two community pharmacy teams working jointly to deliver part of the contract.

Expressions of Interest to be received by 24 October and sent to healthimprovement@telford.gov.uk
Successful applicants will be notified by 31 October 2024.

EOI Request

Complete the form below or use the online EOI form: <https://forms.office.com/e/8m9bASe3sD>

Organisation Details	
Name(s) of interested organisation(s)	
Name of main contact and contact details (email, telephone, postal address) (If more than one organisation expressing an interest, please provide contact details for all)	
Project Delivery	
What level of cover do you have to be able to deliver CVD Health Checks in workplaces?	
Outline summary of the process/approach to delivering the Workplace CVD Checks, including details of the person(s) and their role that will undertake the checks. Please include a summary risk assessment, which should include how incidents would be managed. <i>(500 words maximum)</i>	
Please describe the arrangements you would put in place if this person(s) were unable to attend the scheduled workplace visit, to ensure continuity of the pilot and achievement if targets. <i>(200 words maximum)</i>	
Provide a summary of your practice's previous delivery experience working in the community or in workplace settings. Or of innovation within your own practice. <i>(300 words maximum)</i>	
As this work would be undertaken in workplace settings and sit outside of the national contractual framework, please outline what measures you have in place to ensure that this work will be carried out safely. <i>(200 words maximum)</i>	

Please detail how many checks you can deliver, and how many days you would commit to this work. (Average hours per day = 6hrs).	
Please detail what funding (£) you would require to deliver this.	£

Scoring

All expressions of interest will be scored according to the following:

Element	Max Score
Outline of proposed delivery model	30
Date that CP can start delivery	25
Number of checks CP can estimate delivering before 31 st March 2025	25
Capacity and continuity to deliver. Flexibility to meet demand.	20
Number of sessions to be delivered each week inc weekend & evening	15
Amount of funding requested to deliver	15
Engagement in onward signposting i.e. to Healthy Lifestyles Service	15
Previous experience in delivering community/workplace project	10
Previous experience in undertaking health checks inc capillary samples	10
Value for money. Cost per check (nos of checks/amount requested)	10
Ability to produce employee impact case studies	10
Ability to record data and monitor progress using PharmOutcomes	5

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