



GPs and GP Visits

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This Policy will relate to the allocation of GPs to new Service Users, and the visits of GPs to the Wellbeing Residential Group.

1. GP Involvement

- 1.1 Upon admission to the Wellbeing Residential Group, the Service User will be asked whether or not he / she wish to retain their own GP. This will assume that the GP is willing to continue having the Service User as a patient, and that it is logistically feasible. If not, then the Wellbeing Residential Group will provide a GP acceptable to the Service User.
- 1.2 A chart will be maintained of all GP's names, and daytime and emergency telephone numbers. This will be located in the office.
- 1.3 The GP should be consulted in all clinical matters relating to the development of a Service User's Care Plan.
- 1.4 Staff can contact GPs for further support or with the need to refer to a specialised service to better meet the needs of the service users. Refers can include; Falls Teams, Dieticians, Community Psychiatric Team, etc.

2. GP Visits

- 2.1 Thereafter, the GP will be called at the discretion of the service user/family/staff. Each GP visit will be recorded. Service users may not wish for staff to be present during GP visits so their choice should be respected.
- 2.2 The Service User's family may be contacted for their assistance at any time. Such contacts will be recorded in the Service User's Care Note