



County Durham and the Tees Valley
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Middlesbrough Council Health Scrutiny EU Exit Preparations

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Principles

- The NHS is apolitical!
- Planning has been ongoing for years for the NHS and social care
- We have assumed no deal for planning purposes
- We are using existing emergency planning routes for reporting and changes
- We are reporting on a daily basis to NHSE

Local Arrangements

- GF is the lead across the 5 CCG areas
- Overall message is “We are ready, do not change your behaviours, be reassured and calm!”
- All NHS supplies will have category 1 priority at the ports and airports
- National logistics service is available if needed
- All suppliers have a 6 week buffer stock on the UK side of the border
- There are more EU nationals working in the NHS now than there were at the time of the referendum
- 80% of ordered flu vaccine is this side of the border by 31st October. This is more than the total administered last year

What we have asked GPs to do locally

- Ensure all front line staff are aware: we are ready, do not alter your behaviour!
- Ensure all our EU nationals feel valued and have had the opportunity to understand/join the settled status scheme. Get the messages out that this does not mean they will lose EU citizenship
- **DO NOT STOCKPILE LOCALLY**, continue to order goods and medications as normal.

Your Questions

- Medication supplies:
 - Where possible 6 week buffer stock in place
 - National messages about not stockpiling
 - Existing shortages (non EU Exit related) managed via existing processes (e.g.HRT)
 - Serious shortages protocol in place (allows community pharmacies to substitute)
 - GPs all aware
 - Daily return to NHSE

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- No specific issues raised to us locally in relation to medication or other EU Exit related concerns
- We are working across Tees, Darlington and County Durham.
- Existing reporting mechanisms to be used



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Any questions?



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