

CONSULTANT LED COMMUNITY DERMATOLOGY

A Confed Case Study (Dermatology-2023)



LEEDS GP
CONFEDERATION

WHAT WE DID

Leeds GP Confederation (the Confed) was awarded the 5-year Community Dermatology Contract for Leeds in August 2022 on behalf of the Leeds Community Dermatology Collaborative, working with Chevin Medical Practice, OneMedical Group, Enhance Primary Care and Leeds Teaching Hospitals Trust (LTHT.) The Confed designed this Consultant Led partnership around a common vision; better dermatology care centred around the needs of patients, to improve referral routes between primary and secondary care, to make provision more equitable and accessible, and most importantly, to better meet the needs of our local communities.

What's new:

- There is a single point of access into the service through the Electronic Referral System.
- Every referral, or request for Advice & Guidance, is triaged by an experienced GPWER (GP with Extended Roles).
- We have a stand-alone unit System 1 jointly used by all 3 community providers to allow a collaborative and consistent approach to patient care.
- Patients will be offered a choice of venues across the city for their appointments.

OUR AIMS

- A person centred, holistic & preventative approach.
- Being collaborative & having a resilient workforce.
- Education programmes including supported self-care for patients.
- A range of methods & locations to access services.
- Appropriate and safe digital development.
- Focus on continuous quality improvement, strong relationships & sharing experience.

THE DIFFERENCE WE MADE

In Year 1 of the contract (August 2022 – July 2023) we:

- Triaged 6446 patients.
- Gave advice & guidance to GPs for 1414 patients.
- Delivered 5835 first appointments and 6494 follow up appointments.
- Our spread of delivery sites allows the majority of patients in Leeds to access the service via public transport within 30 minutes of their home.
- We were one of the few services in West Yorkshire meeting the Referral to Treatment (RTT) target of 18 weeks.