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Dear Dr Jones

General Medical Services Contract: 2017/18

I am writing to confirm the agreed changes the General Medical Services (GMS) Contract for 2017/18 in relation to the Quality and Outcomes Framework (QOF).

(a) Summary of changes to QOF.

The number of points available in the clinical QOF Domain has reduced from 407 points at 2016/17 to 367 points at 2017/18. The Domain has been split into Active QOF and Inactive QOF. Approximately 50% of clinical QOF, representing 202 points, has been designated as active QOF; approximately 40% of clinical QOF, representing 165 points has been designated as inactive QOF and approximately 10% clinical QOF, representing 40 points, have been retired and the points value transferred to the Cluster Network Domain. See table below:

	Clinical QOF Domain	Cluster Network Domain	Total
QOF points 2016/17	407	160	567
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Clinical QOF retired	(40)		(40)
Clinical QOF		40	40
Transferred to cluster			
network domain			
Total	367	200	567
Inactive QOF	165		
Active QOF	202		

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(b) Clinical QOF indicators retired.

The following clinical indictors, totalling 40 points, will be retired. it is considered that the clinical aspects of these indicators are now embedded in clinical practise. The funding of the points to be released, equivalent to approximately £6,700 per average practice, will be transferred to the Cluster Network Domain to support contractors to develop and monitor a three year cluster network action plan and to participate in quality assurance peer review, in particular, peer review of inactive QOF.

Indicator	Points
CVD PP 001W	10
BP 001W	10
DEP 003W	10
HF 005W	5
COPD 008W	5
Total points removed	40

(c) Clinical indicators designated as inactive.

The following clinical indicators, totalling 165 points, are designated as inactive. It is considered the clinical aspects of these indicators have limited value in managing a patient's condition or can be monitored through enhanced services (such as diabetes) or linked to wider national clinical audits such as Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease.

Practices will not be required to demonstrate achievement to receive payment. Payment will be made at the same points level as 2016/17 achievement. The impact of designating these indicators as inactive will allow to GPs to spend more time with the frail elderly and chronically sick.

Indicators DM 002, DM 003, DM 007, DM 012, DM 014, COPD 002; COPD 003; and COPD 005 designated as "inactive" will be subject to peer review during 2017/18 to provide assurance on the quality of care. Other indicators designated as "inactive" may also be considered for peer review if specific cause for concern is identified.

Indicator	Points
DM 002	8
DM 003	10
DM 007	17
DM 012	4
DM 014	11
AST 0004	6
COPD 002	5
COPD 003	9
COPD 005	5
MH002	6
MH007	4
EP 003	2
RA 002	10
PC 002	6
SMOK 002	25
SMOK 004	12

SMOK 005	25
Total inactive QOF	165

(d) Clinical QOF indicators designated as active.

The following clinical indicators, totalling 202 points, are designated as active. Payment will be made against achievement of these indicators in the normal way.

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	Total points clinical QOF	202

(e) Changes to the Cluster Network Domain.

The number of points available in the Cluster Network Domain has increased from 160 points at 2016/17 to 200 points at 2017/18. The additional 40 points has been made available through the points transferred from the retired clinical indicators outlined in paragraph (b) above.

CND 002W (Cluster Network Action Plan) and CND 003W (Implementation and Delivery of the Cluster Network Action Plan) totalling 50 points has been replaced with CND 009W

(Develop a Three Year Cluster Network Action Plan and Monitor Cluster Network Activity) totalling 70 points.

CND 005W (Clinical Governance) totalling 30 points has been replaced with CND 011W (Quality Assurance – Clinical and Information Governance and Peer Review of Inactive QOF indicators) totalling 50 points.

The General Practice National Priority Areas CND 006W cancer care pathways, CND 007W improving end of life care and CND 008W minimising the harms of polypharmacy, totalling 45 points have been replaced with CND 012W clinical priority pathway areas, totalling 45 points.

Yours sincerely

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