**Sign up to the new NHS GP Registration system**

The [online Register with a GP surgery service](https://digital.nhs.uk/services/register-with-a-gp-surgery-service#making-gp-registration-open-to-all) allows patients to search for and register with a local GP without the need to visit the practice in person. NHS England has collaborated with patients and practices on this groundbreaking system, which enables easy and accessible online registration, streamlining and standardising the process of registering a patient with a GP. Utilising NHS data and technology, the system delivers considerable time saving [benefits](https://digital.nhs.uk/services/register-with-a-gp-surgery-service#benefits-and-features) for practices, whilst providing a service that meets the needs and convenience of patients.

From October 2024, all GP surgeries in England must offer the national [Register with a GP surgery service](https://digital.nhs.uk/services/register-with-a-gp-surgery-service#making-gp-registration-open-to-all) to patients, as outlined in the [GP contract](http://www.england.nhs.uk/publication/arrangements-for-the-gp-contract-in-2024-25/). The mobilisation period is now underway, and both digital form and new paper registration formats must be fully operational by October 2024.

The introduction of this service has already benefitted over 2800 practices in England, reducing registration burden with [over a million patients now using the service](https://www.england.nhs.uk/2024/03/online-gp-registrations-reach-1-million-as-digital-service-hits-milestone/). Noteworthy enhancements include integration with the NHS app and an improved catchment area feature, preventing patients from registering with GPs outside their designated boundaries.

As the deadline nears, we strongly urge you to promptly enrol on to the service to ensure compliance. Your prompt action is crucial in meeting the mandated deadline.

**ALREADY SIGNED UP?** Great, simply ensure that you include a link to the national form on your website, this was sent via email when you enrolled. If you don’t already have this in place, please contact your website provider to update your new patient registration area with the link and the new paper form (replacing the GMS1 form) on your website, even if you are using one of our [RPA (Robotic Process Automation)](https://digital.nhs.uk/services/register-with-a-gp-surgery-service/get-help-using-the-service/automated-registrations) partners.

**TESTIMONIALS** - if you are already using the service and would like to share any positive feedback or success stories, please contact the Onboarding team.

**PRACTICE NEXT STEPS** to fully enrol on to the service: -

1. Practices should [sign up here](https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=slTDN7CF9UeyIge0jXdO4ycahkEbA2pMl8xFbe0GZ_JUOU0xRERUMlA2WTBTUzkyNkZUVFJMODNYSC4u)
2. We have developed a [Practice Action Plan](https://digital.nhs.uk/services/register-with-a-gp-surgery-service/how-register-with-a-gp-surgery-works) should you wish to explore this and support your journey
3. Registration link​
* Practices will receive their unique practice link​ via email –

your unique link will be https://gp-registration.nhs.uk**/[your practice ODS Code]**

**e.g. https://gp-registration.nhs.uk/H1234**

* Contact your website provider to update the new registration link and paper form  [PRF1-050723.pdf (gp-registration.nhs.uk)](https://gp-registration.nhs.uk/PRF1-050723.pdf)​
* If you need more information, please find further guidance - contact the Onboarding team

**Service Benefits**

* **Free** for NHS GP practices to use
* 93% success rate matching patients to their NHS number / PDS spine
* Automatically offer digital registration from **Find a GP**
* Patients can commence and complete the registration from **NHS App**
* Catchment area checks/blocks
* Reduce PCSE Exceptions by up to 60%
* Digital form design follows **best practice** principles used across

government and NHS services to build **trust** and help patients complete the information correctly

* Accompanying paper form to ensure no one is digitally excluded
* **Automation** available with accredited partners

**The service complies with:**

* [WCAG AA accessibility standard](https://www.gov.uk/service-manual/helping-people-to-use-your-service/understanding-wcag)
* [NHS England Primary Medical Care Policy and Guidance Manual (PGM)](https://www.england.nhs.uk/publication/primary-medical-care-policy-and-guidance-manual-pgm/)
* Privacy and security regulations

For more information on the service, please [visit our website](https://digital.nhs.uk/services/register-with-a-gp-surgery-service#making-gp-registration-open-to-all) or contact the Onboarding team.