

CMR UPDATE

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CMR Website

The CMR website has been live for two months now and has the following information posted on it:

- **Overview**
- **Community & Practice Nurse Guidelines**
- **CMR Handbook**
- **Monthly Reports**
- **CMR Updates**
- **Publications**
- **Read Code Dictionary**
- **CMR Team**
- **“Latest News”**

Certain areas of the website are password protected and only accessible to CMR practices. The passwords were sent to your practice in December 2000. If you have not received this information, please contact the CMR helpline.

We hope you will find the site useful. The address is:

<http://www.show.scot.nhs.uk/isd/cmr>

If you experience any problems trying to browse the site please contact the CMR Team via the **CMR Helpline – No: 0131 625 6242.**

New CMR practices

During February 2001 the CMR team have been training 7 new practices to collect integrated practice information. This involves the collection of data relating to:

- **GPs**
- **Practice Nurses**
- **Health Visitors**
- **District Nurses**
- **Midwives**

We are pleased to report that the training went well with most of the practices hoping to go live in March 2001. This will increase the number of practices recording primary care team information to 16 across Scotland.

New GPASS Release 5

The CMR team have begun testing the new CMR data extract facility in release 5 of New GPASS.

Preliminary testing has begun in local beta test practice sites with a planned programme of in-house testing to follow.

Practices should continue to use the current method of data extraction until

informed otherwise.

Quality Assurance

The first round of QA visits are now complete. It is planned to publish the results, once analysis of the information has been finalised.

The new cycle of visits will begin again in April 2001, with a planned 2 year programme. In addition a parallel QA assessment of practice nurse data will be implemented later this year.

New GPASS

99% of all CMR practices are now using New GPASS R2 or R4. The guidance we have received from GPASS is that the practices remaining on old GPASS will no longer receive field support. Adhoc telephone advice will continue to be provided but will be phased out soon.

Comments

If you have any comments/queries, please contact us on **0131 625 6242.**