About this Release

NHSScotland Payments to General Practice are published here for the first time. The report has been produced by the Information Services Division in partnership with colleagues in Practitioner Services.

Key Points

- The information in this publication makes visible the NHS payments for General Practice services in Scotland. This includes payment from the Global Sum, for achievements in the Quality and Outcomes Framework and for delivering Enhanced Services, among others. The figures are taken directly from the General Practice Payment System and do not take into account any accruals or other adjustments.

- The sum of NHSScotland payments made in 2013-14 was £739.7 million, made to 995 General Practice service providers. An additional £23.7 million was paid to 105 General Practices for Dispensing services.

- The publication of 2013-14 figures is in line with the agreed 2014-15 General Medical Services (GMS) contract, and is planned to become an annual statistical release.

- The data supporting this publication is at practice level, with information on payments to the three types of primary care contract in Scotland. The full publication report provides the background and context on the payments to primary care, as well as definitions of the terms and payment types.
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