

# Worcestershire Dental Access and Starting Well initiative

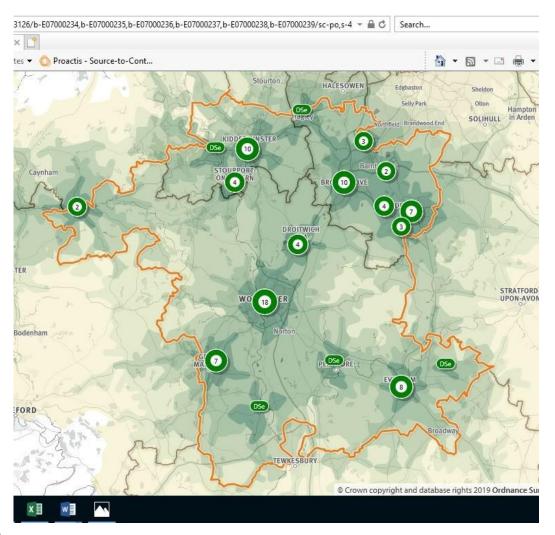
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## **Dental Practices**





## **Current Situation**

- There are currently 67 practices and one contract delivering Domiciliary care in care homes. There are also 3 dental access centres in Worcester, Malvern and Evesham
- In 2018/19 we commissioned 767422 UDAs for Worcestershire. Last year 252040 patients were seen by an NHS dentist each uses on average 3 UDAs per year
- Two thirds of practices are delivering within tolerance with 22 delivering their contracted activity in full
- However there were 41431 unused units of activity equivalent to capacity for an additional 13607 patients. We have also opened an additional practice in Worcester this year.
- We are aware that anecdotally some practices are turning patients away and we are investigating this to identify the reasons and to take action where required



#### NHS Outcomes Framework - Indicator 4.4.ii Dental Access 2017/18 Published Nov 2018 NHS Dental Statistics, England: 2018-19

Level description	Percentage of respondents who successfully obtained an NHS appointment in the last two years (indicator value)	Proportion of respondents who tried to get an NHS dental appointment in the last two years (contextual indicator)	
England	94.6	58.6	
Bromsgrove	96.3	60.1	
Malvern Hills	96.6	53.8	
Redditch	98.6	65.5	
Worcester	95.9	51.9	
Wychavon	95.7	52.1	
Wyre Forest	95.0	58.0	



#### Dental Access – Worcestershire

NHS Dental Statistics, England: 2018-19

Adult patients seen in the previous 24 months and child patients seen in the previous 12 months (30 Jun 2019) as a percentage of the population, by patient type and LA or Cs\CG

Area	Adult %	Child %
England		
	50.2	59.0
Midlands		
	50.5	58.6
West Midlands		
	50.9	56.2
Worcestershire		
	48.6	59.8
Redditch and Bromsgrove CCG		
	48.9	60.2
South Worcestershire CCG		
	49.0	58.3
Wyre Forest CCG		
	46.7	63.2



### Number of Dentists with NHS Activity

NHS Dental Statistics, England: 2018-19

#### Year Ending March 2019

Area	Change 2017/18 to 2018/19	Percentage difference 2017/18 to 2018/19	Total dentists	Population per dentist <sup>2</sup>	Dentists per 100,000 population <sup>2</sup>
England	237	1.0	24,545	2,266	44
Midlands	51	1.2	4,479	2,337	43
West Midlands	35	1.9	1,854	2,288	44
Redditch and Bromsgrove	10	8.8	124	1,474	68
South Worcestershire	8	5.9	143	2,132	47
Wyre Forest	16	27.1	75	1,343	74



## **Starting Well**

- A Little Trip To The Dentist is an oral health campaign designed to get more babies to the dentist even before their first teeth come through.
- A collaboration between NHS England and NHS Improvement Midlands and Public Health England
- Training events for dental teams involving LDN, PHE, Commissioning Team and local Community Dental Consultants
- Monthly toolkits for dentists around different themes such as Starting Early, Oral Health in Pregnancy, Sugar and Teeth, Weaning, Healthy Teeth and Healthy Weight
- Communication campaign to engage with families
- https://www.england.nhs.uk/midlands/2019/06/20/campaign-a-little-trip-to-the-dentist/