



Project Progress Report – LMC DataBank

This report will cover the following areas:

1. Background to the project and funding bid
2. Progress against bid milestones
3. A summary of the DataBank system
4. Feedback from LMCs
5. Potential next steps

Background



In April 2025, Beds & Herts LMC put in a funding bid to GPDF to develop the LMC DataBank system that we had created for our own LMC use, so that it could be made available to other LMCs in England.

GPDF agreed a funding grant of £42,014 which started in August 2025 with the aim of upscaling the DataBank over a 12 month period.

Progress Against Bid Milestones

Below are the key milestones that were included in the funding bid, and our progress against them.

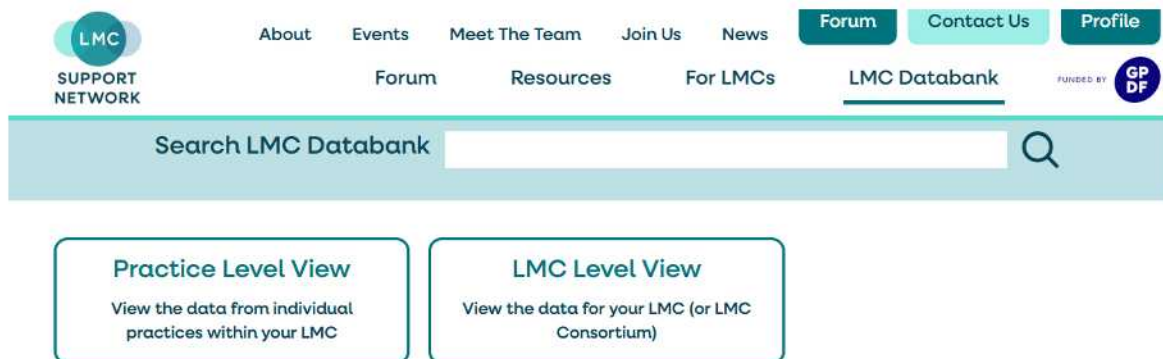
Milestone	Status	Comment
Identification of five pilot LMCs – Target completion date 31 st July 2025	✓	The five pilot sites were: 1. Cambridge LMC 2. Gloucestershire LMC 3. LLR LMC 4. Nottinghamshire LMC 5. Lancashire and Cumbria LMCs
Data upload of all practices in pilot LMC areas – Target completion date 31 st Aug 2025	✓	Completed in September 2025 due to delayed start to the project.
Increase in database capacity to allow scaling – Target completion date 30 th Sep 2025	✓	Completed
Building an access webpage behind the LMC Support Network firewall - Target completion date 30 th Sep 2025	✓	Completed
Pilot LMCs 1 and 2 go-live – Target completion date 31 st Oct 2025	✓	The DataBank went live on the LMC Support Network site on 13 th Oct 2025.
Pilot LMCs 3, 4 and 5 go-live – Target completion date 31 st Oct 2025	✓	Completed
Testing and refinement phase during Nov, Dec and Jan	✓	Completed

Data upload of all practices remaining LMC areas – Target completion date 31 st Jan 2026		Completed
Go-live for all LMCs in England – Target completion date 31 st March 2026		This is ongoing. We have uploaded the data for all practices in England. Mapping the practices to a LMC requires engagement from that LMC. So far, we have mapped 63 LMCs, which represents 60% of all practice.

Summary of the System

The DataBank is now live on the LMC Support Network website for any LMC user to access.

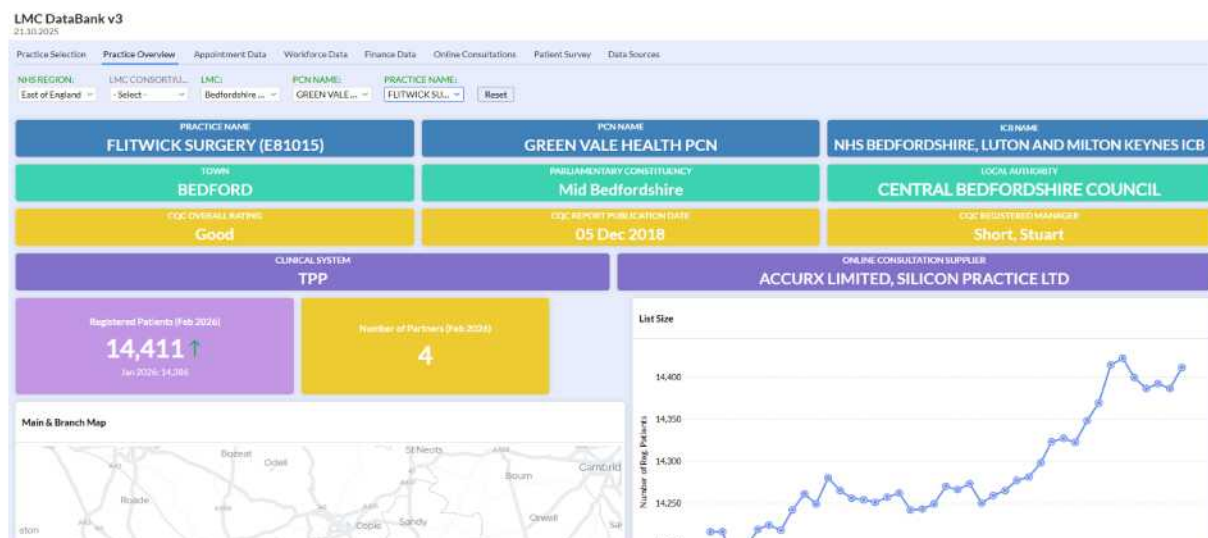
Users can either view the data at a Practice Level or an LMC Level.



The screenshot shows the website's navigation menu with options: About, Events, Meet The Team, Join Us, News, Forum, Contact Us, Profile. Below this is a secondary menu with Forum, Resources, For LMCs, LMC Databank, and a logo for GP DF. A search bar labeled 'Search LMC Databank' is present. Below the search bar are two buttons: 'Practice Level View' (with subtext 'View the data from individual practices within your LMC') and 'LMC Level View' (with subtext 'View the data for your LMC (or LMC Consortium)').

Practice Level View

On the “Practice Overview” tab, users can select an individual practice and see all of the high level information about the practice, such as their CQC status, PCN and ICB, and parliamentary constituency.



The screenshot shows the 'Practice Overview' page for 'FLITWICK SURGERY (E81015)'. It displays various data points:

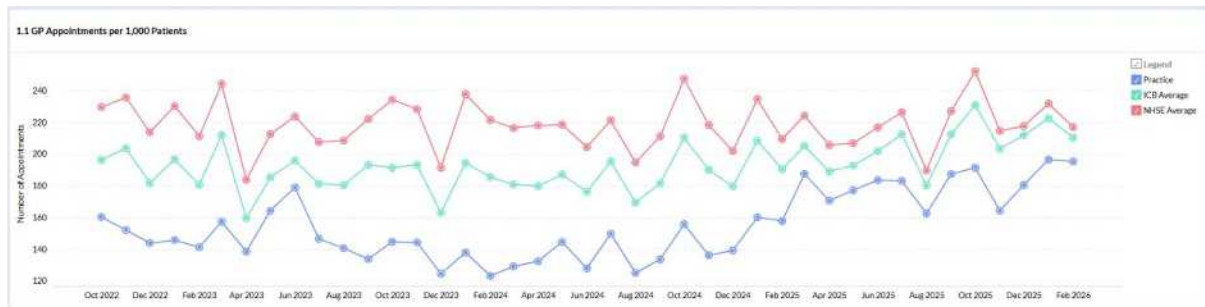
- PCN NAME:** GREEN VALE HEALTH PCN
- ICB NAME:** NHS BEDFORDSHIRE, LUTON AND MILTON KEYNES ICB
- TOWN:** BEDFORD
- PARLIAMENTARY CONSTITUENCY:** Mid Bedfordshire
- LOCAL AUTHORITY:** CENTRAL BEDFORDSHIRE COUNCIL
- CQC OVERALL RATING:** Good
- CQC REPORT PUBLICATION DATE:** 05 Dec 2018
- CQC REGISTERED MANAGER:** Short, Stuart
- CLINICAL SYSTEM:** TPP
- ONLINE CONSULTATION SUPPLIER:** ACCURX LIMITED, SILICON PRACTICE LTD
- Registered Patients (Feb 2026):** 14,411 (up from 14,384 in Jan 2026)
- Number of Partners (Feb 2026):** 4
- List Size:** A line graph showing the number of registered patients over time, ranging from approximately 14,200 to 14,400.
- Main & Branch Map:** A map showing the location of the practice in Bedford.

Users can then select the other tabs along the top to see detailed information about the practice. Currently, the DataBank displays the following information (all taken from NHSE datasets):

1. Practice appointment data
2. Practice workforce data
3. Practice financial data
4. Practice online consultation data
5. Practice patient survey data

Examples of each are show below

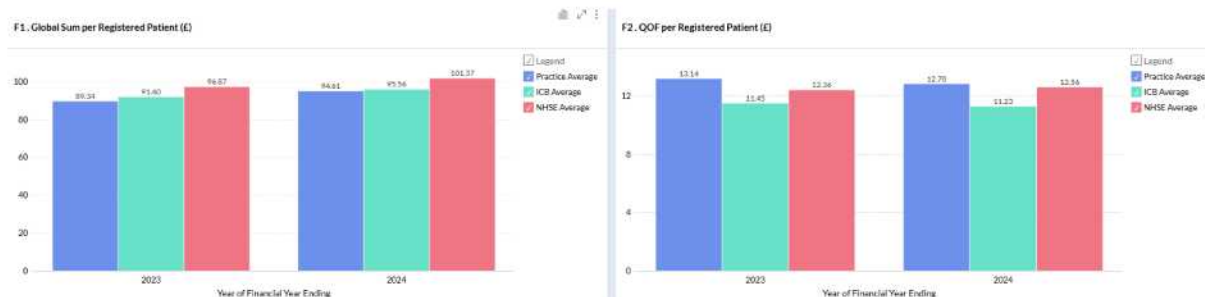
Appointment Data



Workforce Data



Finance Data

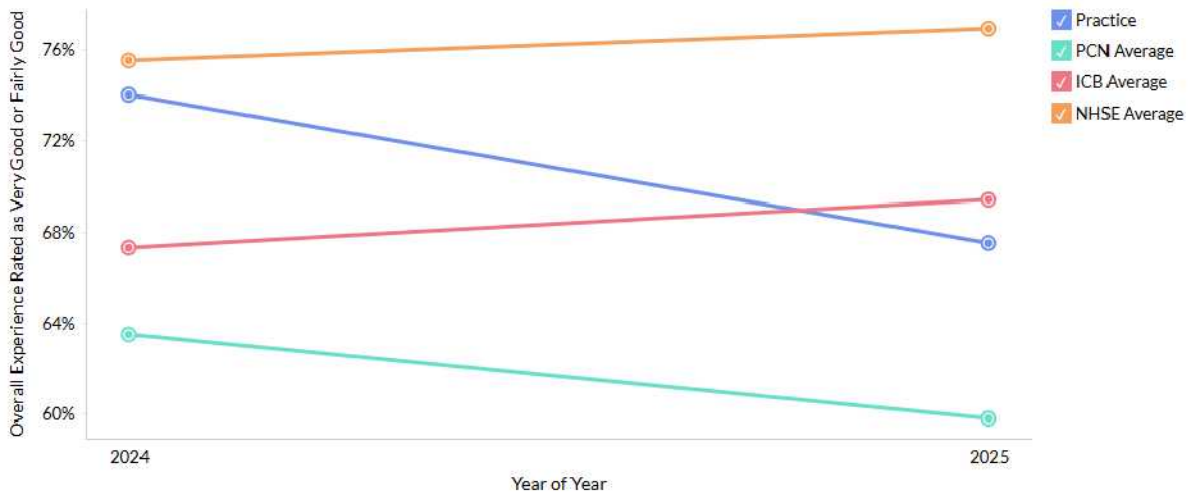


Online Consultation Data



Patient Survey Data

S3. Overall Experience of Practice (Very Good or Fairly Good)

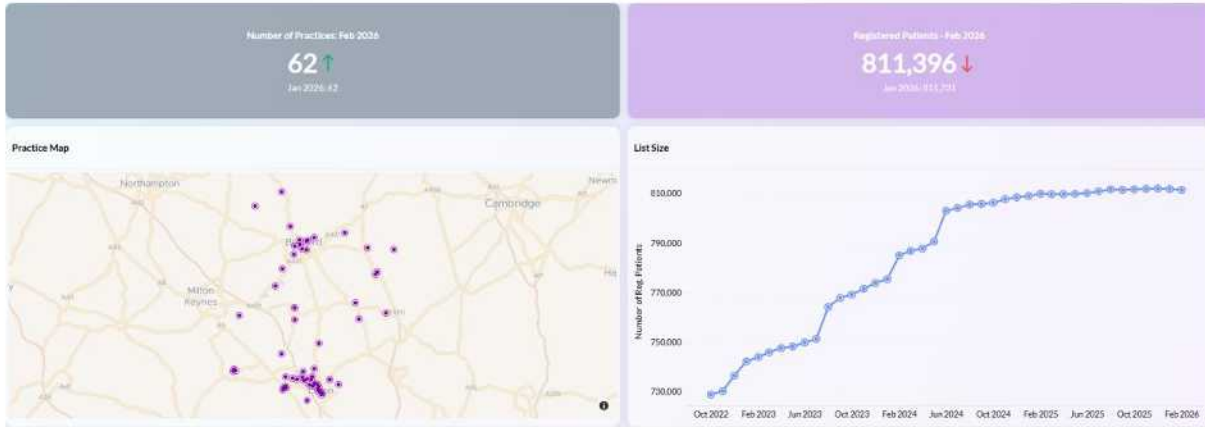


LMC Level View

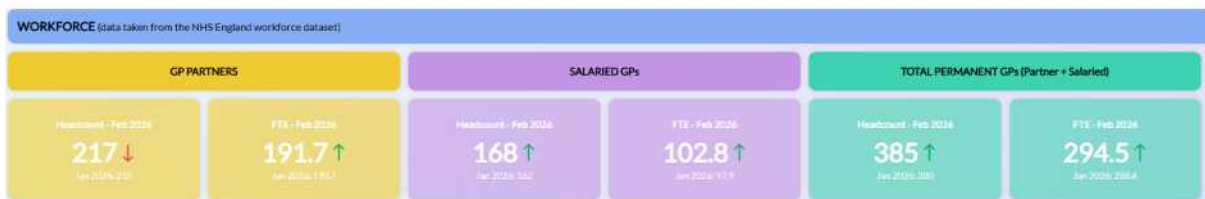
Using the LMC Level View, LMCs can look at their aggregated data for the practice they cover. This includes:

- A count of the number of practices they cover and the combined patient population
- An interactive map of their practice
- A chart of list size growth over time
- A summary of GP numbers
- A summary of appointment data
- A summary of online consultation data

A summary of the practice in a given LMC



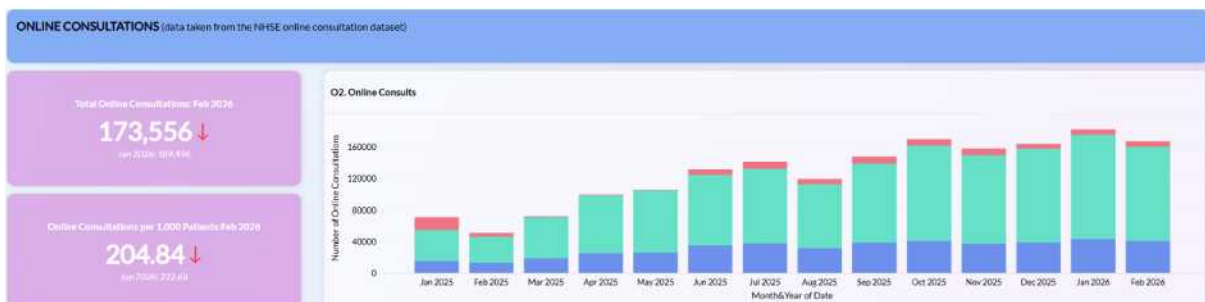
Aggregated Workforce Data



Aggregated Appointment Data



Aggregated Online Consultation Data



Feedback from LMCs

Leicestershire, Leicester & Rutland LMC

“As LLR LMC, we’ve had the opportunity to be involved in the pilot of the DataBank platform, and our experience has been overwhelmingly positive.

DataBank has proven to be an incredibly useful and practical tool in supporting practices, particularly given the breadth and depth of data available. The ability to access and interpret this information quickly has made a real difference in how we assist practices facing scrutiny or queries—especially from commissioners or the CQC. On several occasions, it has enabled us to provide clear, evidence-based support and reassurance, which has been invaluable.

What stands out most is how intuitive and functional the system is, alongside its continuous development. It’s clear that this is a tool designed with real-world challenges in mind, and it continues to evolve in ways that enhance its value.

We would absolutely recommend DataBank to other LMCs. It’s a resource that strengthens our ability to advocate for and support practices effectively.

Many thanks to Mike and the wider team for developing such a forward-thinking and impactful tool.”

Lancs and Cumbria LMCs

“The LMC Support Network DataBank has been really useful for me in the past few months. I attend a monthly Urgent Care Delivery Board across the Morecambe Bay patch where I’m able to extract and present relevant data to the group, particularly around GP appointments and activity. It has been a really valuable resource in helping to support discussions and provide clear insights, and I appreciate the work that has gone into making this information accessible.

Those who join me on the call have commented as well about how useful it is to have this databank available.”

Gloucestershire LMC

“From a Gloucestershire LMC perspective, the Data Bank is a great example of how GPDF can add tangible value to LMCs nationally. Having access to rolled-up NHS Digital data in this format has really facilitated more informed and constructive conversations with practices, ICBs and, where appropriate, communications to patients. There are clear cost efficiencies in having the data collated and presented centrally, rather than individual LMCs each needing to procure analyst capacity themselves. The use of a consistent, uniform dataset also reduces the risk of ICBs playing LMCs off against one another using differing data interpretations. Personally, it has been an invaluable resource in ICB, MP and practice meetings, and with the increasing focus on metrics, variation and outliers in the new contract, its importance will only grow.”

Londonwide LMCs

“Londonwide LMCs is grateful for all the work the B&H LMCs team has done in activating the database for our 27 boroughs and 5 ICS areas. Access to the data in this format has saved the LMC teams numerous hours of work and has been beneficial in local contract discussions but even more so when supporting individual practices. When a practice in difficulty contacts the GP support team they are able to use the database to get a rapid sense of how the practice is

structured, performing and financed which provides the GP support team with a level of insight that often helps frame the subsequent discussions and the support offered.”

Nottinghamshire LMC

“The LMC Databank has been a gamechanger for us in Nottinghamshire. I demonstrated it at a recent committee meeting of GPs and the ease with which could understand our local demographics and trends was felt to be very powerful. We have used it for public messaging and after the meeting some of our colleagues asked me to send them a practice-level summary of their data. There is a good chance that having this tool means that we know more than some practices do about the workings of their business.”

Essex LMCs

“Using the LMC DataBank has been a gamechanger. I use the data to produce monthly reports for North and South Essex LMCs, particularly around GP practice appointments and workforce data. I no longer have to trawl through large individual reports manually which saves me a number of hours. The information available is in-depth and more than very useful. All available at the click of a button.

The work that has gone into this is tremendous and much appreciated. I sincerely hope that the Databank will remain in place and continue to grow to present very important information to LMCs.”

Possible Next Steps

As more LMC start to use the DataBank we regularly receive feedback and requests for additions or changes. Below is a summary of the changes we hope to make in the near future if we are able to secure ongoing funding for the project.

1. Updated branding for the DataBank that includes the GPDF and LMC Support Network logos on each page (mock up below):



2. Inclusion of the new Same Day Urgent Access metrics that NHSE & ICBs will be scrutinising.
3. Inclusion of the percentage appointments within seven and 14 days that NHSE & ICBs will be scrutinising.
4. Inclusion of cloud based telephony data.
5. Update financial data to include the most recent dataset released by NHS England.
6. Build a “Commissioner View” version of the DataBank so LMCs can view the data at an ICB level.
7. Build a “Parliamentary Constituency View” version of the DataBank so LMCs can view the data at a Parliamentary Constituency level.



8. Build a “GPDF View”. If we have all LMCs mapped into the system we can create a view specifically for GPDF that will display the collective list size, number of practices and number of GPs for each LMC. This could be used to support GPDF in calculating levy amounts for each LMC and conference allocations.
9. Update workforce data to show changes in GP number over time.