

Aspire Integrated Rugeley – AIR FAQs

<p>1</p>	<p>What is Aspire Integrated Rugeley (AIR) and which Practices are involved?</p> <p><i>AIR is made up of the four local practices within Rugeley i.e. Aelfgar Surgery, Brereton Surgery, Horse Fair Practice Group and Sandy Lane Surgery.</i></p> <p><i>The key aims of AIR are to:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>provide care to a defined, registered population of 33,000</i> • <i>integrate workforces, with a strong focus on partnerships spanning primary (GP Practices), secondary (hospitals, social care and the voluntary sector</i> • <i>provide a combined focus on personalisation of care with improvements in population health outcomes</i>
<p>2</p>	<p>When will it start?</p> <p><i>The preparatory year for AIR started on 1st April 2016</i></p>
<p>3</p>	<p>Will patients still see their own GP at their own Practice?</p> <p><i>You will still remain registered with your GP Practice and be able to see a GP of choice at that practice.</i></p>
<p>4</p>	<p>How much will it cost and who is funding AIR?</p> <p><i>There is no additional cost attached to this as we will be working more closely with our commissioners (people who provide services to us and paid for by the government) to redesign services and create new ones for our patients.</i></p> <p><i>Re-engineered workforce across Primary Care can be redesigned in a more efficient manner that will deliver enhanced health outcomes.</i></p>
<p>5</p>	<p>What is AIR going to do?</p> <p><i>AIR will identify potential areas for service development in order to transform and deliver high quality services in a more local setting for the health needs of our local community.</i></p>
<p>6</p>	<p>What are the benefits for patients and how will it affect them?</p> <p><i>The key benefits for patients will see healthcare professionals working in collaboration together (your GP, the hospital, social services, people that care for you in your home environment) by working as a single integrated and multidisciplinary team.</i></p> <p><i>Closer working relationship will enable everyone to provide personalised care to individuals by being seen by the right person at the right time and in the right place.</i></p>
<p>7</p>	<p>Is this something permanent for Rugeley?</p> <p><i>This is a preparatory year for AIR to start working through and alongside other healthcare professionals to ensure that with effect from April 2017 we are moving towards a more tailored, structured, health delivery plan for the wellbeing of our local community</i></p>

<p>8</p>	<p>Why is it happening in Rugeley and no other areas?</p> <p><i>NHS England’s “Five Year Forward View” for GP Practices “Primary Care” identified the opportunity to transform the way in which care is delivered. AIR, which is supported by the GP First Federation, was recently selected as one of fifteen sites across England to develop new enhanced approaches to Primary Care covering a total health population of 33,000. It is envisaged that this will be mirrored across other areas in the foreseeable future.</i></p>
<p>9</p>	<p>Will this bring more GPs to the area resulting in more appointments being available?</p> <p><i>AIR is very much aware of the increasing demand on general practice. Whilst AIR will take a proactive approach in looking at the patient journey, it will also work towards ensuring the four practices have staff that are trained suitably to ensure that you are treated by the right person at the right time. This may mean you will see someone else rather than a GP, but this does not and should not deter you from seeing another healthcare professional, i.e. Prescribing Nurse Practitioner, a Practice Pharmacist or one of our Healthcare Assistants. By seeing these other professionals, who will be able to treat and assist you, will then free up GP appointments.</i></p>
<p>10</p>	<p>How do patients get involved?</p> <p><i>Through actively participating in your Patient Participation Group (PPG) at your Practice and supporting the Patient Engagement Network (PEN), which meets on a quarterly basis and collectively involves patients from all four Practices.</i></p>
<p>11</p>	<p>Who else will be involved?</p> <p><i>Many of our healthcare colleagues are responsible for overseeing patient healthcare provision, for example: Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG), local council, NHS England.</i></p> <p><i>We will also work with other health professionals to ensure the needs of our local community are met, for example opticians, pharmacists, dentists, voluntary groups.</i></p>
<p>12</p>	<p>Where do patients find out more information?</p> <p>http://www.napc.co.uk/primary-care-home</p>