



## The right care for the right person in the right place at the right time – every time

Congratulations to the 3 GSF Accredited practices receiving the



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in primary care

GSF RCGP Quality Hallmark Award endorsed by the Royal College of General Practitioners

## **First time Accredited GP practices**

- Rowhedge & University of Essex Medical Practice, North Essex
- Exmoor Medical Centre, Somerset
- Rosegarth and Siddal Surgery, West Yorkshire



Dr Nicola Hilton from Layer Road Surgery receiving the award for the practice in March 2017



"Gold standard care should be for everyone, whether you are elderly and frail or have an aggressive cancer, it should be the same for all. Every individual has the right to the same care. Because we are now identifying people earlier we are able to have conversations with them about the needs and wishes and then plan their care on that basis."

Dr Paul Sawczyn, Rosegarth Surgery

"Going for Gold has been a fantastic platform for our practice team to improve and provide a high quality standardised of care for all of our Gold Patients. We provide all of our patients with Gold Folders that include information for carers as well as advanced care planning. We are now evolving further to include frailty as an important part of our Gold Patient List using appropriate scoring systems to identify these patients. We are also in the process of developing virtual and face-to-face clinics to ensure comprehensive reviews of our frail patients as part of our work to improve advanced care planning and avoid unnecessary hospital admissions".

Dr Kelsey Boddington, Exmoor Medical Practice





"There are now 2.8% of the practice population on the GSF register – equating to 108 patients and a lot of those are dementia patients. Each of these patients has a named GP. We call them priority patients and we have a white board in reception with names on so that the reception staff know exactly who is on the list, who their named doctor is and that their needs should be prioritised." **Dr Carolyn Richardson, Rowhedge Medical Practice** 

"I am finding the monthly meetings for our gold patients helpful. Having an awareness of patients situations helps me deal with relatives who may be struggling or wanting support or to talk when they come in. Their knowing we are aware of their family situation I think gives them the feeling we care more than perhaps was shown before we started this process. There have been some very positive remarks on end of life care provided which is heartening to think we can help make the process as peaceful as possible". **Practice nurse, Exmoor Medical Practice**