

Factsheet– Proposed GP practice boundary change

1. What is a GP practice boundary change?

A GP practice boundary sets the area where patients can register and receive care. A boundary change means the practice is updating the area it covers, which may affect which patients are able to register or continue receiving care. In this case, it will mean more patients are able to register with the practice.

2. Why do you want to change the boundary? Is the boundary changing?

Several new housing developments require GP services. Saville Medical Group's branch surgery in Newbiggin Hall has capacity to deliver care to this community.

3. Has the decision already been made?

No. We are talking with patients before finalising any changes. Feedback will be reviewed before submitting our proposal to the NHS North East and North Cumbria Integrated Care Board (NENC ICB).

4. Will this make it harder for me to get an appointment?

No. We have reviewed our capacity and are confident we can continue to meet the needs of existing patients as we continue to recruit new staff.

5. Will this affect my ability to stay registered with the practice?

Unless you move house, outside of the new boundary area, you won't be affected by this change. If you move to outside of our new boundary, you will need to find a practice closer to your new home. You can talk to us about this or look online at [Find a GP - NHS](#).

6. If anyone else comes to live in my household, would they need to register elsewhere?

No, if you have any additions to your family, e.g. a new baby or a relative/friend coming to live with you, then they will be entitled to register with the practice.

7. How can I check if I am still within the practice boundary?

You can:

- View the proposed boundary map below – the orange lines are our current boundary and the blue lines (to the left hand side) are where we are wanting to expand to.

- You can also call at reception to see the new boundary map

8. Will it affect parking?

We do not expect any impact on parking. The Branch Surgery at Newbiggin Hall has 15 dedicated patient parking spaces, including 2 disabled spaces.

