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OUT OF AREA REGISTRATION PATIENT INFORMATION LEAFLET

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Introduction

New arrangements introduced from January 2015 give people greater choice when choosing a GP practice. Patients may approach any GP practice, even if they live outside the practice area, to see if they will be accepted onto the patient list.

Out of area registration (with or without home visits) is voluntary for GP practices meaning patients may be refused because they live out of area.

Background

GP practices have always had the ability to accept patients who live outside their practice area regardless of distance from the practice, but the practice would still provide a home visit if clinically necessary.

However, the new arrangements mean that GP practices now have the option to register patients who live outside the practice area without any obligation to provide home visits.

How does it work

If your out of area registration application with this practice is considered then we will only register you without home visits **if it is clinically appropriate and practical in your individual case**. To assess this we may:

- Ask you or the practice you are currently registered with questions about your health to help decide whether to register you in this way
- Ask you questions why it is practical for you to attend this practice (for example, how many days during the week you would normally be able to attend an appointment here at the practice)

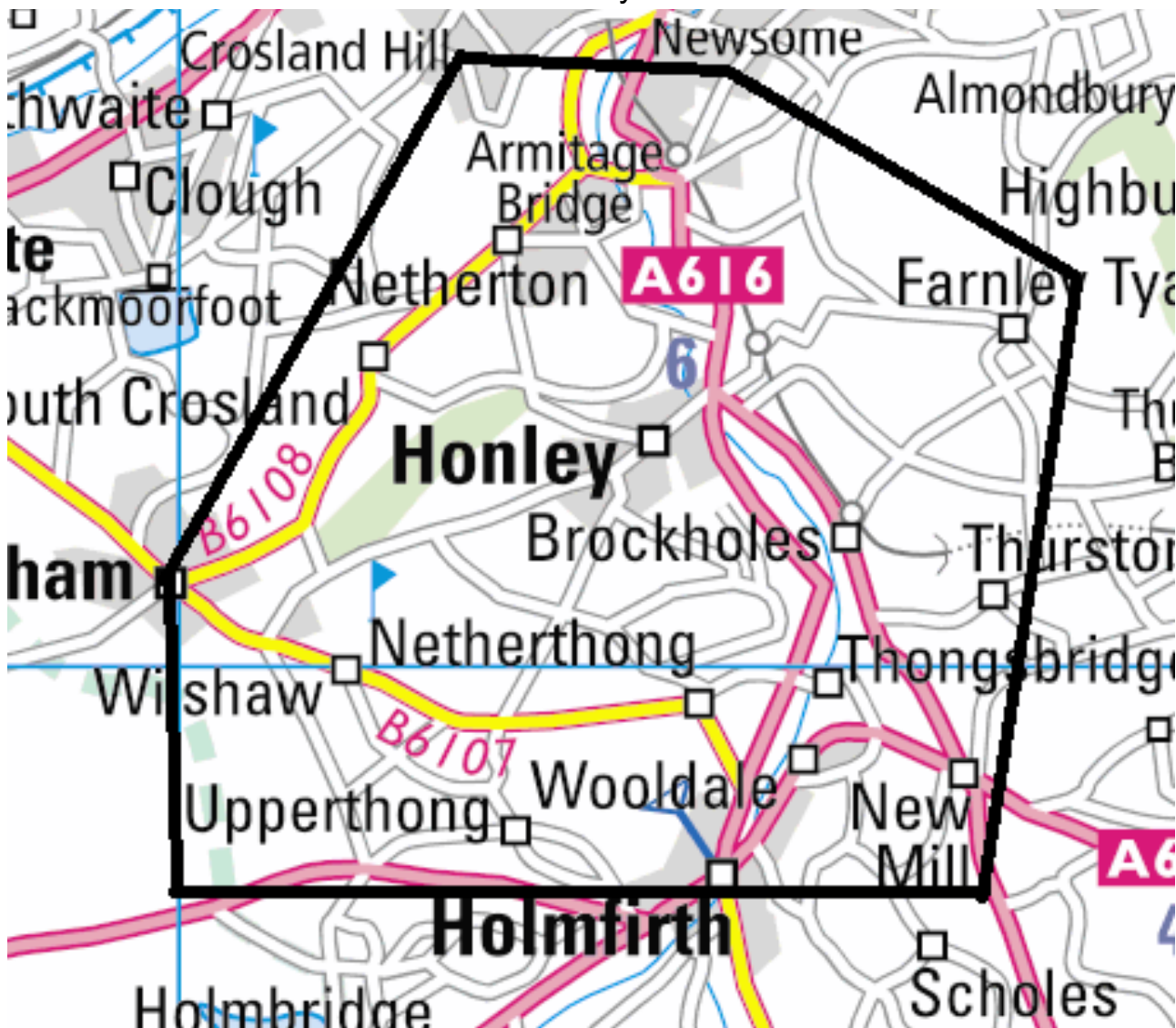
We may decide that it is not in your best interests or practical for you to be registered as an out of area registration. In these circumstances we may offer you registration with home visits, for example if you live just outside the practice area, or we may decline to register you and advise you that you should seek to register (or remain registered) with a more local practice to your home.

If accepted as a patient here at the practice you will receive the full range of services provided as normal at the surgery. However, if you have an urgent care need and the surgery cannot help you at home we may ask you to call NHS 111 and they will put you in touch with a local service (this may be a face to face appointment with a local healthcare professional or a home visit where necessary).

Please note if accepted as an out of area registration with this practice but your health needs change we may review your registration to see if it would be more appropriate for you to be registered with a GP practice closer to your home.

Practice area

We cover a wide area in the Holme Valley:



Further information

This new arrangement only applies to GP practices and patients who live in England. For further information visit the NHS Choices website (www.nhs.net).

What do I need to do?

If you would like to apply for out of area registration with Honley Surgery then please complete the information on the following page.

Full name	
Date of birth	
Home (permanent) address	
Do you have any significant health problems?	
Are you taking any medication on a daily basis?	
Have you had a home visit by a GP within the previous 12 months? If yes, what was the reason for this home visit?	
Why is it practical for you to register with this practice?	
How many days during the week would you normally be able to attend an appointment here at the practice?	