

Summary of Domains and Points Available 2004/05 and 2005/06

Clinical Domain Points Available

As seen in the summary of points and pounds available, 550 of the 1,050 points available are within the clinical domain of the QOF. The table below shows how these 550 points are split between ten clinical domain areas.

The ten clinical domain areas relate to common diseases or conditions and were selected for inclusion in the QOF for the following reasons:

- Where the responsibility for ongoing management rests principally with the general practitioner and the primary care team.
- Where there is good evidence of the health benefits likely to result from improved primary care - in particular if there is an accepted national clinical guideline.
- Where the disease area is a priority in a number of the UK's four countries.

Points Available within each Clinical Domain Area

Clinical Domain Area	Number of Indicators	Total Points Available
Coronary Heart Disease	15	121
Stroke & Transient Ischaemic Attack	10	31
Hypertension	5	105
Diabetes Mellitus	18	99
Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease	8	45
Epilepsy	4	16
Hypothyroidism	2	8
Cancer	2	12
Mental Health	5	41
Asthma	7	72
Total for all Clinical Domain Areas	76	550

Detailed information on the individual 76 indicators within the clinical domain and the rationale for their inclusion is available in Annex E of the GMS Statement of Financial Entitlements – Northern Ireland (see “QOF links” page).

Organisational Domain Points Available

As seen in the summary of points and pounds available in, 184 of the 1,050 points available are within the organisational domain of the QOF. The table below shows how these 184 points are split between five organisational domain areas.

Points Available within each Organisational Domain Area

Organisational Domain Area	Number of Indicators	Total Points Available
Records & Information	19	85
Patient Communication	8	8
Education & Training	9	29
Practice Management	10	20
Medicines management	10	42
Total for all Organisational Domain Areas	56	184

Detailed information on the individual 56 indicators within the organisational domain and the rationale for their inclusion is available in Annex E of the GMS Statement of Financial Entitlements – Northern Ireland (see “QOF links” page).

Patient Experience Domain Points Available

As seen in the summary of points and pounds available, 100 of the 1,050 points available are within the patient experience domain of the QOF. The table below shows how these 100 points are split between two patient experience domain areas.

Points Available within each Patient Experience Domain Area

Patient Experience Domain Area	Number of Indicators	Total Points Available
Patient Survey	3	70
Consultation Length	1	30
Total for all Patient Experience Domain Areas	4	100

Detailed information on the individual 4 indicators within the patient experience domain and the rationale for their inclusion is available in Annex E of the GMS Statement of Financial Entitlements – Northern Ireland (see “QOF links” page).

Additional Services Domain Points Available

As seen in the summary of points and pounds available, 36 of the 1,050 points available are within the additional services domain of the QOF. The table below shows how these 36 points are split between four additional services domain areas.

QOF – Points Available within each Additional Services Domain Area

Additional Services Domain Area	Number of Indicators	Total Points Available
Cervical Screening	6	22
Child Health Surveillance	1	6
Maternity Services	1	6
Contraceptive Services	2	2
Total for all Additional Services Domain Areas	10	36

Detailed information on the individual 10 indicators within the additional services domain and the rationale for their inclusion is available in Annex E of the GMS Statement of Financial Entitlements – Northern Ireland (see “QOF links” page).