# Did Not Attend (DNA)

**April 2015** 

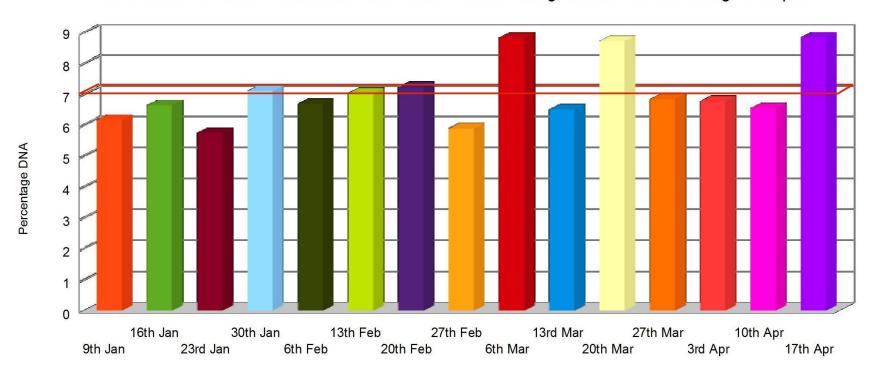
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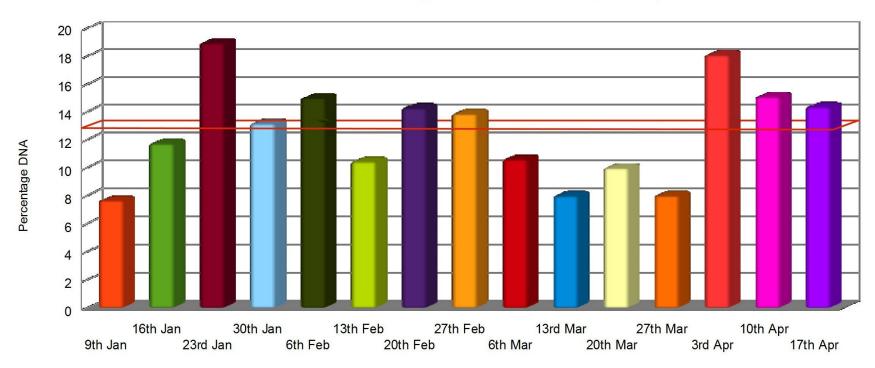
Since the start of the Productive Practice Program in 2014, Wychbury Medical Group have been monitoring and recording DNA. This page shows a set of data regarding DNA for ANPs and GPs covering the period 2nd January - 22nd April 2015. The maximum value was 8.8% during the week ending the 6<sup>th</sup> of March, the lowest was 5.7% during the week ending the 23<sup>rd</sup> of January. The average across the whole period was 7.03%.

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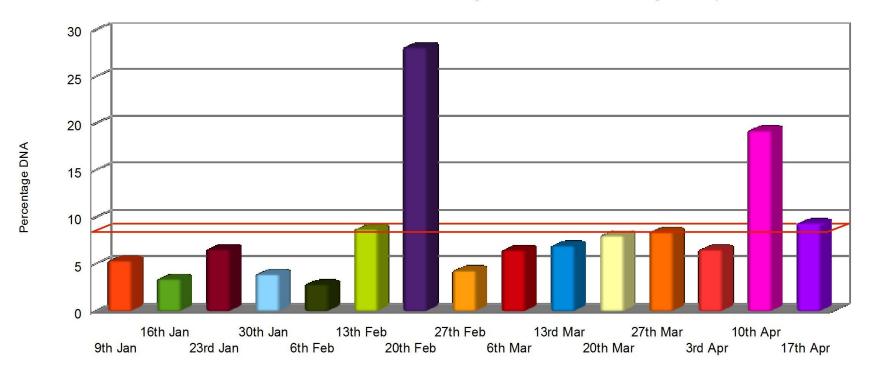
The second graph shows nurse appointments by week, with a maximum of 19% appointments lost due to DNAs during the week ending 23<sup>rd</sup> of January 2015. The minimum was 7.69% during the week ending the 9<sup>th</sup> of January. The average for the whole period was 12.6%.

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The third graph shows average DNAs appointments for Health Care Assistants (HCA). The worst week for DNAs was the week ending the 20<sup>th</sup> of February with an average of 28% DNAs. The best week was the week ending the 6<sup>th</sup> of February with an average of 2.8% DNAs. The average for the whole period was 8.5%.

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#### Did Not Attend – DNA – The Facts ANPs and GPs

During this period the practice provided 14,522 ANP and GP appointments, 1019 of these were wasted as the patient failed to attend. This is 7% of the appointments or 169 lost hours, an average of 11.3 hours per week, 2.3 hour per day.

The cost to the NHS at £46.00 per appointment is £46,874.00 for the period Jan – April 2015.

Or if we continue at 7% for a whole year we will loose – 3397 appointments, at a cost to the NHS of approximately £156,262.00

Above costs are based on NHS England quote of £46.00 per average appointment of 11.7 minutes as the cost to the NHS and working 5 days per week 50 weeks per year.

Likewise during this period the practice provided 5625 nurse appointments, 681 of these were wasted as the patient failed to attend. This is 13% of the appointments or 176 lost nurse hours, an average of 11.7 hours per week, 2.3 hour per day.

The cost to the NHS at £13.69 per appointment is £9323 for the period Jan – April 2015.

Or if we continue at 13% for a whole year we will loose – 2270 DNA appointments, at a cost to the NHS of £30,395.

Above costs are based on NHS England quote of £53.00 per hour which for an average appointment of 15.5 minutes is a cost to the NHS of £13.69 and working 5 days per week 50 weeks per year.

During this period the practice provided 3865 Health Care Assistant appointments, 281 of these were wasted as the patient failed to attend. This is 8.5% of the appointments or 72.5 lost HCA hours, an average of 4.8 hours per week, almost 1 hour per day.

The cost to the NHS at £5.17 per appointment is £1453 for the period Jan – April 2015.

Or if we continue at 13% for a whole year 937 DNA appointments, at a cost to the NHS of £4843.

Above costs are based an estimated cost to the NHS of £20.00 per hour which for an average appointment of 15.5 minutes is a cost to the NHS of £5.17 and working 5 days per week 50 weeks per year.

The total cost to the NHS during the period 2<sup>nd</sup> of January to the 17<sup>th</sup> of April is therefore £57,650 or for the whole year if the rates of DNA remain the same will be:

## Costing The NHS £192,167.

### What Do You Think We Should Do?

**Wychbury patients suggested:** 

•Fine Them – 37%
•Expel them from the Practice – 26.7%
•Do Not Offer Them Timed Appointments – 10.4%