

# DCSS Quality Improvement Audit for GP Practices

The Diabetes Care Support Service (DCSS) Quality improvement audit has been delivered in South and East Auckland since 1991. It assists primary care providers to improve the care they deliver to their patients with diabetes or at risk of diabetes. It also gathers non-identifiable statistics for planning and research purposes.

The no-cost, confidential process involves a trained diabetes auditor (health professional background) identifying all patients within a practice with a likely diagnosis of diabetes or pre-diabetes. The auditor then completes an audit tool for each patient and this data is used to prepare customised reports and feedback for the GP and their team.

The DCSS Audit is fully funded by Counties Manukau Health however results are confidential and returned only to the individual GP unless consent is obtained otherwise. If a practice or PHO have particular questions they want answered, data collection and reporting can be modified to suit, pre and post evaluations of quality improvement projects can also be discussed.

The GP receives

- Full search of practice records using a variety of queries
- Comprehensive patient register
- Summarised patient demographics
- Checklists of key indicators
- Comparison of results with region-wide DCSS data
- Identification of key clinical issues and improvement opportunities
- Patient specific evidence based Specialist advice
- Identification of practice system issues and recommendations or help
- Supportive advice from our Diabetes Specialist Nurse and Executive group
- MOPS credits for the GP

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