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ICARS

Please note the ICARS newsletter is now fortnightly, the next issue will be sent next week.

Breast Screening Reminders

It came to the Screening and Immunisation Team attention that some GP practices have been sending text message reminders to their patients about breast screening appointments.

Please note that this may cause some confusion as those patients may not be due their screening appointments yet and may cause unnecessary stress to those patients.

This also increases volume of additional calls that the breast screening offices need to deal with.

Before sending breast screening reminders please check this with your local breast screening service:

Gloucestershire Breast Screening Service Tel: 0300 4223786
Wiltshire Breast Screening Service Tel: 01793 604036
Avon Breast Screening Service Tel: 0117 414 7070
Somerset Breast Screening Service Tel: 01823 342425
Dorset Breast Screening Unit Tel: 01202 665511 Option2
West Devon and East Cornwall Breast Screening Service Tel: 01752 431652
South Devon Breast Screening Service Tel: 01803 655350
North and East Devon Breast Screening Service Tel: 01392 262600
Cornwall Breast Screening Service Tel: 01872 2252880
Further Information

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