

South West Public Health

Section 7a Screening & Immunisations Bulletin



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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: 0187 2252880**

Further Information

Back issues of these bulletins and attachments are available on the NHS England website [here](#).

If you have any questions or wish to provide feedback, please contact the Integrated Public Health Team at england.swscreeningandimms@nhs.net