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Dear NHS England,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Evidence Based Interventions consultation.

The RCR view is that the proposals follow the direction of travel for the NHS and are evidence based. Although, to placate the public we believe that it needs to be made clear that it is not a full 'blanket ban' on evidence based interventions being performed, but there will still be exceptions in certain circumstances. There is also mild concern in terms of the increased focus on IFRs as they can be very time-consuming for the GP to complete. This is likely to be discriminatory for patients, particularly for the more deprived, on the grounds that they may not be aware of the IFR system, or not feel in a position to push for it even if indicated.

Yours sincerely

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