Patient feedback and complaints to North West London Integrated Care Board (NWL ICB)

If a complainant has concerns relating to a directly commissioned service by NHS England, then the first step is, where appropriate, for complaints and concerns to be resolved on the spot with their local service provider.

If it is not appropriate to raise a concern informally or where informal resolution fails to achieve a satisfactory outcome, the complainant has the right to raise a formal complaint with either the service provider or North West London Integrated Care Board (NWL ICB)

A complaint or concern can be received by mail, electronically or by telephone via these details;

By telephone: 0203 350 4141 (*This is an automated service. Please leave a message requesting a call back*).

By email: http://www.complaints@nhs.net

By post: Complaints Manager NHS North West London 15 Marylebone Road London, NW1 5JD

For more information, please visit: www.nwlondonicb.nhs.uk/contact-us/patientfeedback-and-complaints

The Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman

To take your complaint to the Ombudsman visit: <u>www.ombudsman.org.uk/make-a-complaint</u> or call 0345 015 4033.

Contact can also be made with the Ombudsman by Email: phso.enquiries@ombudsman.org.uk.

If you would prefer to write, the address is:

The Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman, Millbank Tower Millbank London SW1P 4QP

If you are not happy with the Ombudsman's decision, then you can appeal directly to the PHSO, and details of this process can be found on their website; www.ombudsman.org.uk

Once the Ombudsman or one of their senior staff has considered the complaint and sent a response, their decision is final. Unless you raise any new issues that they consider significant to the complaint, they will not send further replies (but will still acknowledge further correspondence).

Boileau Road Surgery

104 Boileau Road Ealing, W5 3AJ

Patient Information Leaflet
<u>Complaints Procedures</u>

020 8997 6604 admin.brs@nhs.net www.boileauroadsurgery.nhs.uk

Practice Complain Procedure

If you have a complaint or concern about the service you have received from the doctors or any of the personnel working in this practice, please let us know. We operate a practice complaint procedure as part of an NHS complaints system, which meets or exceeds national criteria.

How to Complain

We hope that we can sort most problems out easily and quickly, often at the time they arise and with the person concerned. If you wish to make a formal complaint, please do so as soon as possible - ideally within a matter of a few days. This will enable us to establish what happened more easily. If doing that is not possible your complaint should be submitted within 12 months of the incident that caused the problem; or within 12 months of discovering that you have a problem. You should address your complaint in writing to Practice Manager. Practice Manager will make sure that we deal with your concerns promptly and in the correct way. You should be as specific and concise as possible.

Send your written complaint to

Management Team Boileau Road Surgery 104 Boileau Road London, W5 3AJ admin.brs@nhs.net

Complaining on behalf of someone else

We keep strictly to the rules of medical confidentiality (a separate leaflet giving more detail on confidentiality is available on request). If you are not the patient, but are complaining on their behalf, you must have their permission to do so. An authority signed by the person concerned will be needed, unless they are incapable (because of illness or infirmity) of providing this. A Third Party Consent Form can be collected from the reception.

What we will do

We will acknowledge your complaint within 3 working days and aim to have fully investigated within 10 working days of the date it was received. If we expect it to take longer, we will explain the reason for the delay and tell you when we expect to finish. When we look into your complaint, we will investigate the circumstances; make it possible for you to discuss the problem with those concerned; make sure you receive an apology if this is appropriate, and take steps to make sure any problem does not arise again. You will receive a final letter setting out the result of any practice investigations

Taking it further

If you remain dissatisfied with the outcome you may refer the matter to North West London Integrated Care Board (NWL ICB) or if you are still not satisfied by their response, the next step would be to contact the Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman (PHSO) to review how the complaint has been handled.