Campaign introduction

REBUILD GENERAL PRACTICE





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About the campaign

General practice should be at the heart of every community – keeping patients safe and providing strong foundations for the rest of the NHS.

But decades of neglect have broken the entire system. We don't have enough family doctors to treat our patients. GPs are leaving the profession in droves, and practices are closing down all over the UK.

We are a group of GPs calling for a proper, long-term plan to rebuild general practice.

We are asking the Government, patients and our colleagues across the NHS to join us in building a long-term patient centred vision for general practice.

A PLAN TO RETAIN THE GP WORKFORCE

FAIR FUNDING AS PART OF THE WIDER NHS

GREATER FREEDOM AND AUTONOMY

Our journey

At an emergency press conference - Jeremy Hunt launches the campaign



Sparking the rightwing press to shift its narrative away from GP blaming



A steady drumbeat of raising grassroots voices led to several national front-page splashes



Our roadshows & toolkits gave
GPs the tools they need to
defend the profession





As GPs voted to take collective action, the campaign continues to raise GP voices and show the human side of the crisis

IN DEPT

The struggling GPs battling to keep NHS afloat

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General practitioners are struggling to cope with soaring demand and a lack of resources, with many left wondering how much longer they can endure



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Rebuild GP has secured national media cut-through and political support, mobilised LMCs and grassroots GPs to raise awareness of the ongoing crisis in General Practice and shape policy.



Impact so far

Requests for support from LMCs 95 and grassroots GPs since March 2022 Pieces of media coverage 505 since March 2022 Politicians met and/or engaged since **75** March 2022 Total website unique visitors since 34k March 2022 LMC signatures on open letter to 98 political party leaders across England, Scotland, and Wales

'Uberisation' of GP services is putting patients at risk, Jeremy Hunt warns as he calls for patients to always be seen by same family doctor

Most patients want to be able to see same GP on each surgery visit

Survey findings come after data shows that vast majority of patients rarely get to see family doctor of their choice

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Support we offer to LMCs













Birmingham



West Midlands GPs march to save their general practice

- Rebuild General Practice provided support to a group of GPs in the West Midlands who organised a protest march to raise awareness of the crisis in general practice.
- We provided advice on media opportunities, campaign materials and messaging to ensure alignment with the Rebuild GP asks.
- The protest was attended by over 150 GPs from across the West Midlands and achieved significant coverage in news outlets including BBC West Midlands.

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Dorset



Dorset LMC meet withWes Streeting

- Dorset LMC met with Shadow Health Secretary Wes Streeting in February 2024.
- The Rebuild campaign contributed to Dorset LMC's efforts by providing a briefing ahead of the call to ensure that GPs presented a unified, cohesive, and consistent message.
- Streeting fed back that he was extremely pleased with the meeting and that our messaging around retaining the GP workforce and ensuring fair funding within the NHS was received and respected.

Liverpool



Organising a grassroots GP presence at Labour Party conference in 2024

- Liverpool LMC reached out to Rebuild General Practice to ask for support around a planned presence at Labour Party conference 2024.
- We provided advice on attending conference and the best strategy for approaching a 'protest' outside the venue, as well as campaign materials and logistical support.
- Liverpool based GPs also joined the Labour Party conference Rebuild GP event to represent the profession, and took part in a leafletting session outside of Wes Streeting's conference speech.

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Aberdeenshire



Seamus Logan MP visits Aberdeenshire surgery and then takes campaign asks to Health leads

- We arranged a meeting, practice visit and briefing materials for GPs from North Aberdeenshire and representatives from Grampian LMC with Seamus Logan MP.
- Seamus then took the experiences shared by the GPs to a meeting the following week with Neil Gray MSP (Scottish Health Lead).
- Seamus then asked a question directly to Wes Streeting in Parliament about the impact of National Insurance uplifts on GP practices, referencing his meeting with the local GPs.

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Ways to get involved













Your feedback

What is the main issue facing practices in your LMC?

What campaign activity are you already doing in your LMC?

What activities would you like Rebuild support around?

Which tools and guidance would be most useful for the Rebuild campaign to offer?

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