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**Social
Prescribing**
MERTON



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How did Social Prescribing develop in Merton ?

2016 Pre-pilot developed in one GP Practice with support of Healthwatch Merton

2017 One SP based in 2 East Merton GP Practices

2018 Two SPs based in 9 East Merton GP Practices

2019 Three SPs based in 12 GP Practices across Merton

2020 Nine SPs based in all 22 GP Practices in Merton

Funding for the nine SP roles came from the CCG and PCN.

All SP are employed by MVSC and are based at different Practices.



MERTON COVID-19 COMMUNITY RESPONSE HUB

WEEK 12

865

residents sought help for themselves.



Merton Social Prescribing supported

206

isolated households to gain access to prescription and medication.



633

concerned individuals requested help for isolated parents, neighbours and/or friends.



1489

INDIVIDUAL CONTACTS LOGGED

£18,200

pledged to the Merton Giving Coronavirus Fund.



714

OFFERS FROM VOLUNTEERS



530

EMERGENCY CARE PACKAGES DELIVERED TO LOCAL HOUSEHOLDS

£143,960

awarded to 56 local charities through the Merton Giving Coronavirus Fund.



2019

APRIL, MAY AND JUNE

3



Social Prescribers working from 12 practices in Merton



207

patient referrals from GPs to Social Prescribers



5.8k

impressions on Twitter

2020

APRIL, MAY AND JUNE

9

Social Prescribers working from 22 practices in Merton



1328

patient referrals from GPs to Social Prescribers



68.6k

impressions on Twitter



2466

welfare telephone calls to vulnerable or shielded patients

Inequality, an often pre-existing health condition for the **BAME** community



- MVSC is committed to consult, recruit and empower the BAME community
- Strategic partners in Merton are BAME Voice Merton and The Ethnic Minority Centre
- BAME research & findings also available from Healthwatch Merton and CCG.

Patient's consultations and engagement created the following new roles within the Social Prescribing Team

Shielded Patient's Advocate

Mental Health Advocate

Special Needs & Disabilities Advocate

Adults Support & Wellbeing Advocate

Children & Families Advocate

Young People's Advocate



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Any Questions?