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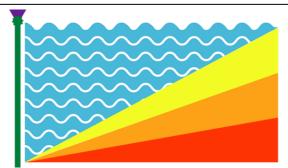
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Supplemental Appendix



Background to GPs at the Deep End (<u>www.gla.ac.uk/deepend</u>)

General Practitioners at the Deep End work in 100 general practices serving the most socio-economically deprived populations in Scotland, based on the proportion of patients on the practice list with postcodes in the most deprived 15% of Scottish datazones.

'GPs at the Deep End' activities can be grouped into four areas:

- 1) Advocacy mostly around the inverse care law
- 2) Research/Evidence both formal University research and evidence based on frontline experience
- 3) Service development specific projects such as the Community Links worker and Govan SHIP projects
- 4) Professional development supporting training and CPD needs of GPs in deprived areas

Inspired by the example set by the Scottish Deep End GP group, there are now similar groups being set up in Ireland (<u>http://deepend.ie/</u>), England (<u>https://yorkshiredeependgp.org/</u>), and Australia.