

What are the latest economic figures for social prescribing?

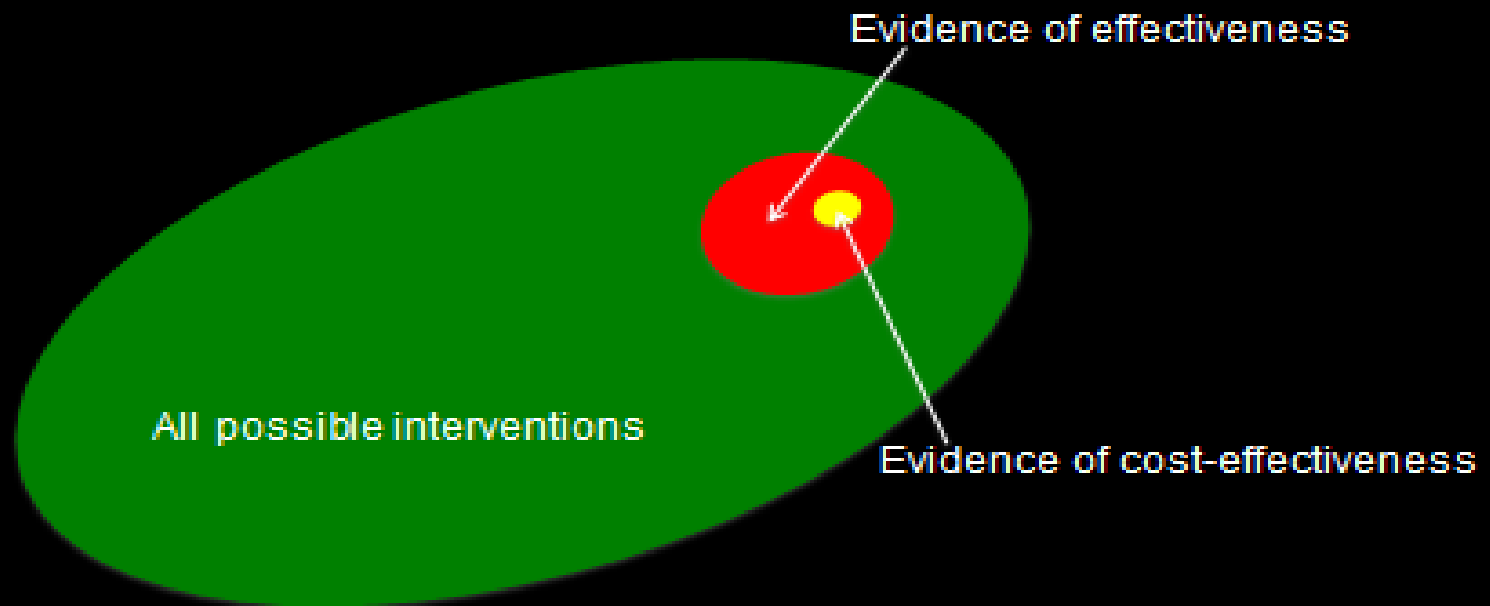
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‘Round the Wrekin’ in appreciating
the value of social prescribing.



The dangerous olive of evidence...



What is social prescribing? (SPN, 2016)

- GP to practice-based SP (link person) to community
- GP to community-based SP (link worker)
- GP direct to community activity
- GP to community-type activities in GP practice
- GP in centre to other services in same centre
- Care coordinator or key worker to activities

Why social prescribing now?

DAMNING VERDICTS OF DR AND PATIENT



● I've seen 50 patients today and it's not even been four hours. Established GPs are leaving because the workload is becoming untenable.

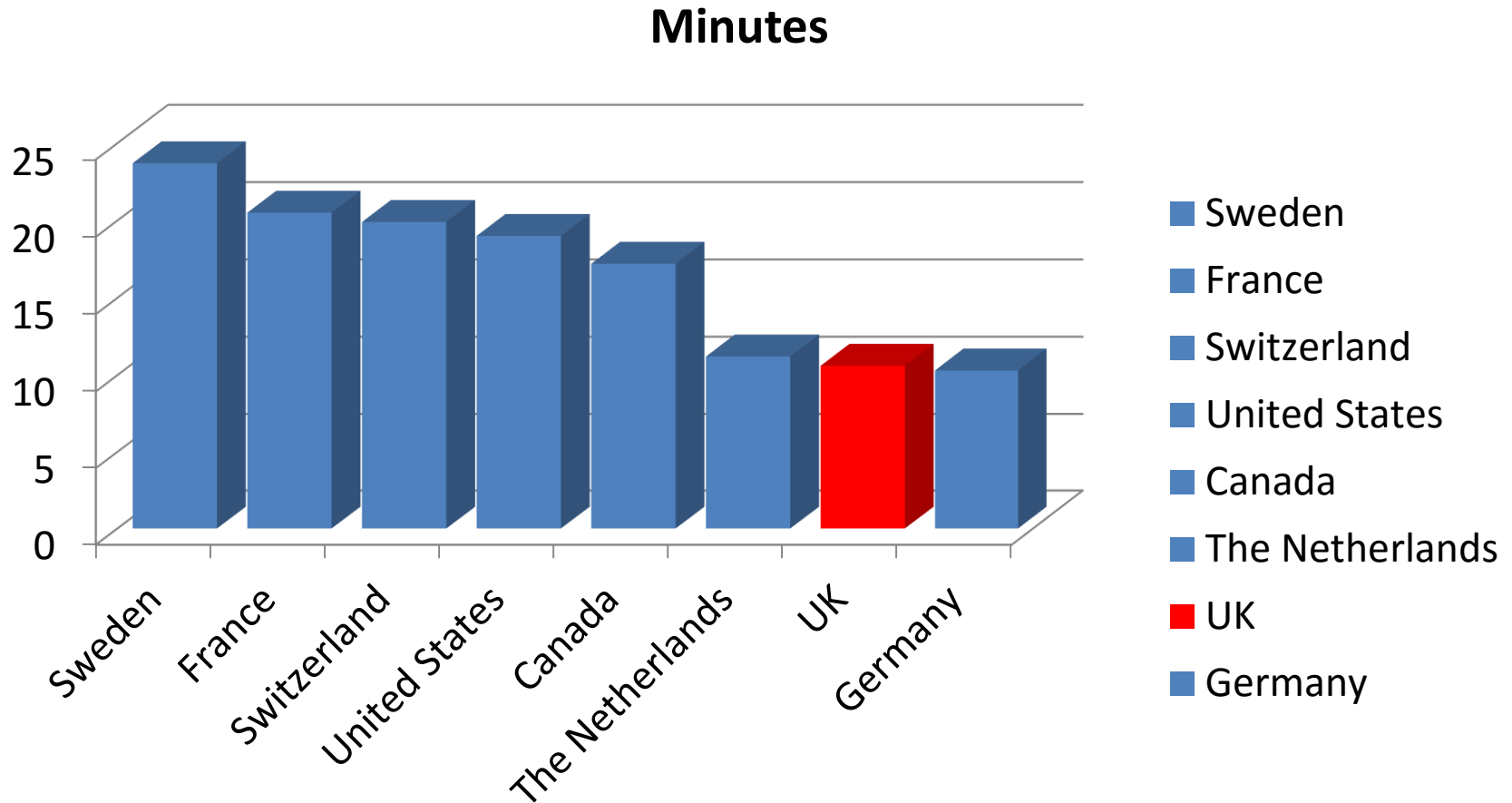
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● You used to get an appointment the next day. Now it's a real worry as you never know what's going to happen.

Jean Firth, 71

Average GP appointment times (Duncan 2016)



Why social prescribing?

Year	Number of presentations to NHS England
2004-5 ¹	17.8 million
2012-13 ¹	24 million
2014-15 ²	37 million

¹Campbell, D. (2013) Hard pressed GPs say they can no longer guarantee safe treatment, Guardian, 15th June 2013.

² National Audit Office (2015) Stocktake of access to general practice in England, <https://www.nao.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2015/11/Stocktake-of-access-to-general-practice-in-England.pdf>
Accessed 3rd October 2016.

Return on Investment

- Estimates varied widely from a Return on Investment (ROI) of 0.33 annually to a return of £11 per patient per £1 per annum .
- The average (Social) ROI was £2.3 per £1 invested in the first year.

Emergency admissions and attendance at A and E

	Six months prior to referral to social prescribing service	Six months after referral to social prescribing service
Mean number of emergency admissions per patient	0.16	0.15
Mean number of emergency attendance per patient at A and E	0.37	0.33

Mean number of emergency admissions per patient to A and E

	Six months prior to referral to social prescribing service	Six months after referral to social prescribing service
Accepted service (n=1651)	0.13	0.10
Declined service (n=177)	0.30	0.43
No contact (n=170)	0.35	0.50

Mean appointment per patient attending a GP practice six months before social prescribing and six months after social prescribing.

	Six months prior to referral to social prescribing service	Six months after referral to social prescribing service	Difference
GP attendance	5.93	4.71	-1.22 (20.5%)
Home visit	0.38	0.28	-0.1 (26%)
Telephone call	2.62	2.46	-0.16 (6%)

(Social) Return on Investment

- Look at the savings created for the health service we see that there is a return on investment of 43p for every £1 saved.
- (Social) return on investment we see there is a return on investment of £1.26 for every £1 saved.

Unit costs of social prescribing services provided on a CCG wide basis

Social Prescribing Service	Unit cost per patient referred
Gloucestershire CCG	£234.88
Hackney and City CCG	£245.60
Rotherham	£301
A.N.Other	£2,598

State of play

- 75% of STP plans mention social prescription
- 10 CCGs now provide *universal* access for patients and GPs
- 49% of CCGs have some commitment or input to social prescription
- Hidden social prescribing
- Different funding arrangements

Gathering of evidence

- Citizens Advice
- Reform Trust
- Richard Layard
- Bigger practices