

## Scope of Practice Staff covered by GMPI

The National Health Service (Clinical Negligence Scheme) (Wales) Regulations 2019 apply to the scheme for GMPI.

The purpose of the General Medical Practice Indemnity (GMPI) is to indemnify general practice staff in respect of clinical negligence claims relating to activities provided under Primary Medical Services. This is defined as health services provided under a contract, arrangement or agreement made under or by virtue of the following sections of the NHS Wales Act 2006:

- (a) section 41(2) (primary medical services);
- (b) section 42(1) (general medical services contracts);
- (c) section 50 (arrangements by Local Health Boards for the provision of primary medical services).

The scheme applies to all practice staff who work in connection with the provision of a relevant function. A "relevant function" is defined as:

- (a) arranging for the provision of services for the purposes of the health service;
- (b) providing services for the purposes of the health service;
- (c) exercising functions in relation to the health service;
- (d) providing primary medical services;
- (e) exercising powers under, or by virtue of, section 7 of the Health and Medicines Act 1988;
- (f) exercising powers under section 169 of, or paragraphs 19 and 20 of Schedule 3 to, the Act;

This would, for example, include a receptionist with no medical training as long as the receptionist is working in connection with the provision of at least one of the relevant functions set out at (a) – (f) above.

Locum GPs are required to register on the All Wales Locum Register (AWLR) to access the scheme.