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NHS Referral figures for EEMS and Leatherhead PBC Localities

Background

In August 2007, we circulated figures for the referrals from practice which had come via the EDICS Gateway. The major deficiency of this data was that it did not include PMS-plus figures. This set of data includes all the PMS-plus data we have been able to obtain. They show less differences than the original set.

The graphs show only NHS referrals. There remains therefore, one further correction which would be interesting to obtain – ie the proportion of referrals sent to private providers. Without this, the data reflects the cost implications for the NHS but no conclusions can be reached regarding a practice's overall pattern of referrals. Perhaps we could think about incorporating this on the next set of graphs.

This data has been collected from a number of sources and has limitations. In particular:

- (1) Though the figures show annual referral rates, the actual time periods covered by the various sets of data I have compiled are not necessarily the same
- (2) The PMS+ figures are indicative. Some PMS+ services report doing more work than this. The ICP figures for the largest scheme (ICP) are however, confirmed as accurate.

The SD bars indicate plus and minus one standard deviation from the group mean. In some therapy areas (eg diabetes) the referral numbers are small. In these areas, the SD bars will be correspondingly wide.

Neither high nor low referral figures are necessary good nor necessarily bad.

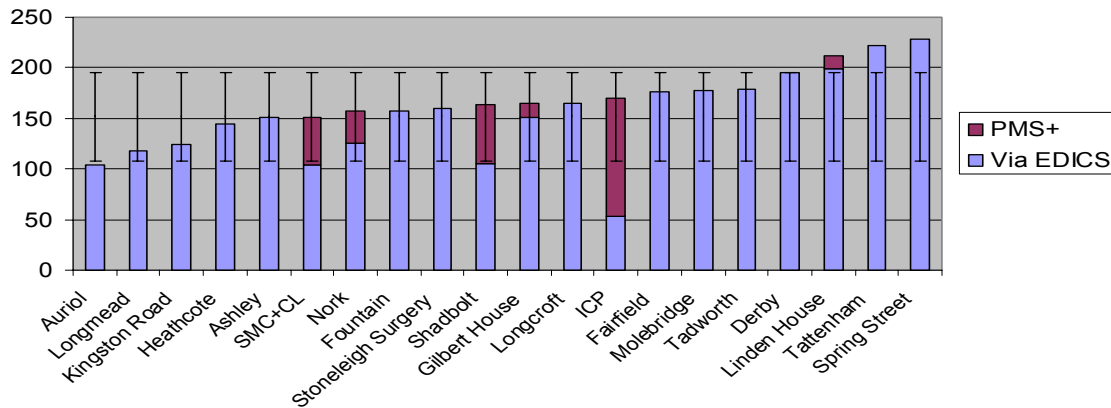
Practices who wish to delve further into the referral patterns of their individual members are invited to EDICS to examine their data in further depth.

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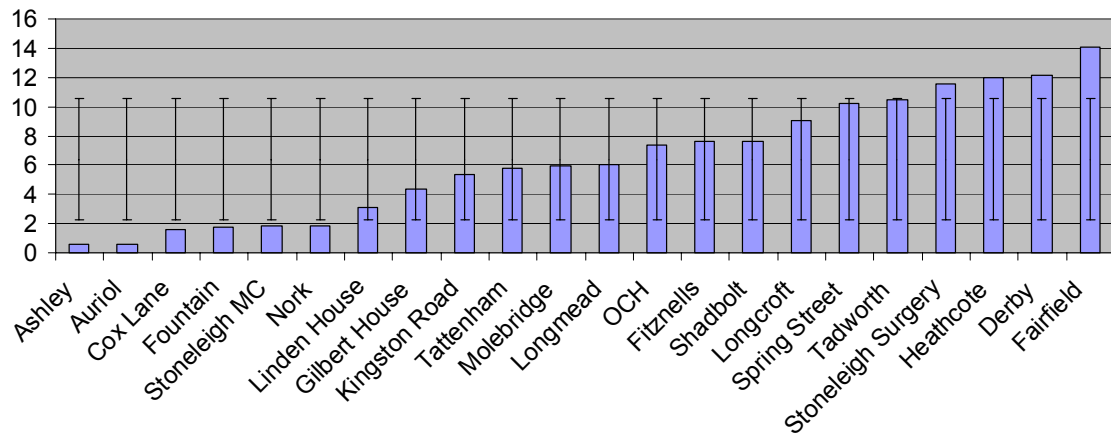


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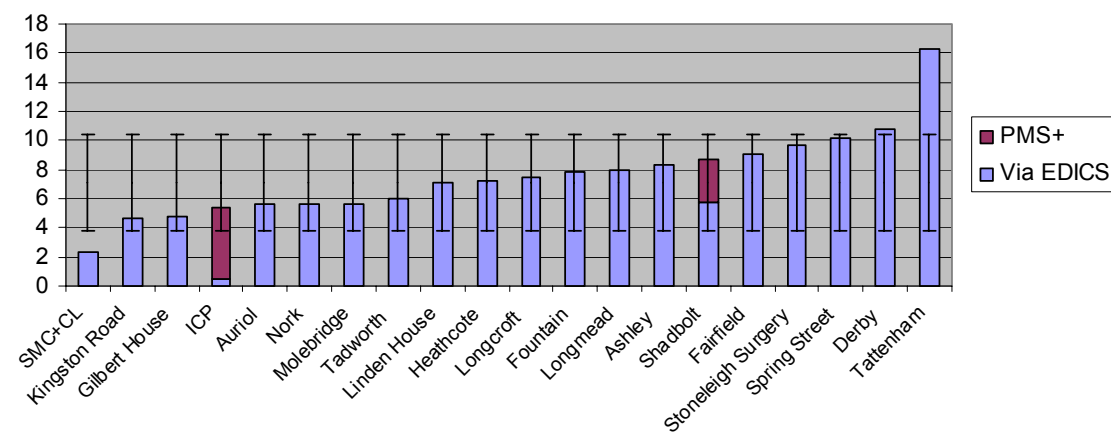
Total NHS Referrals per 1000 patients 2006-2007 (including PMS+)



2 week rule: annual referrals per 1000 patients (No PMS+ effect)

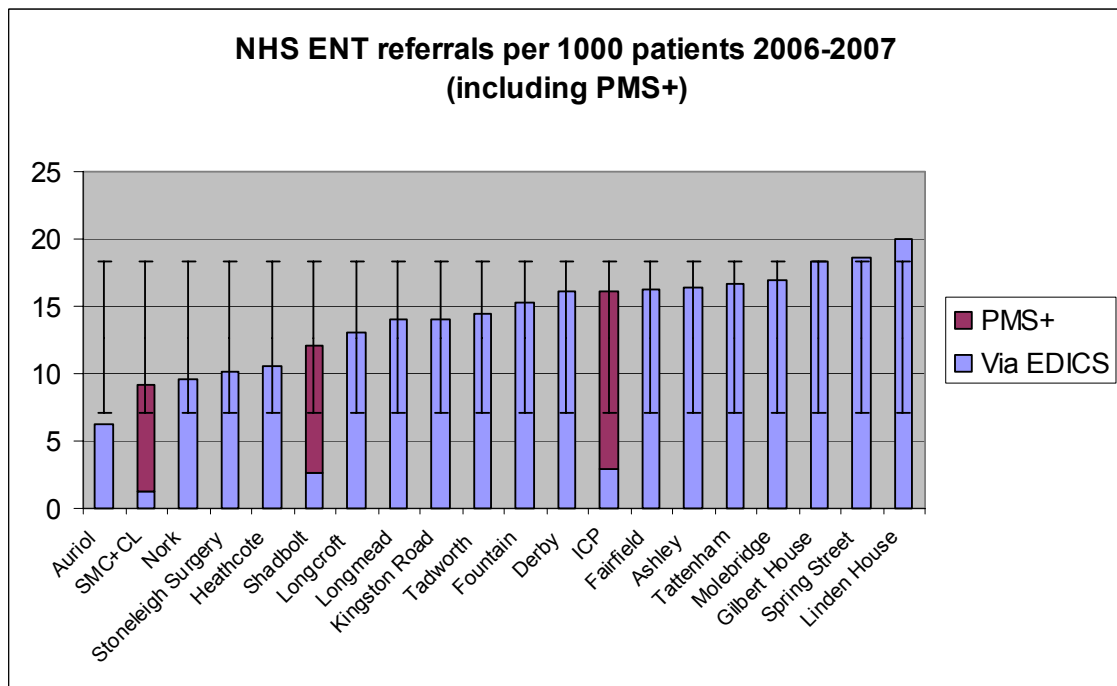
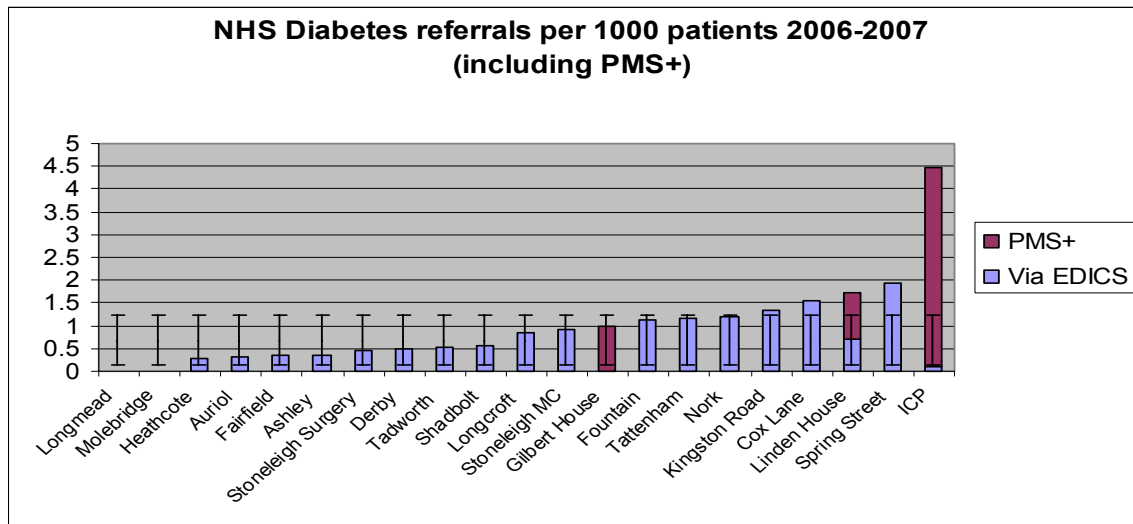
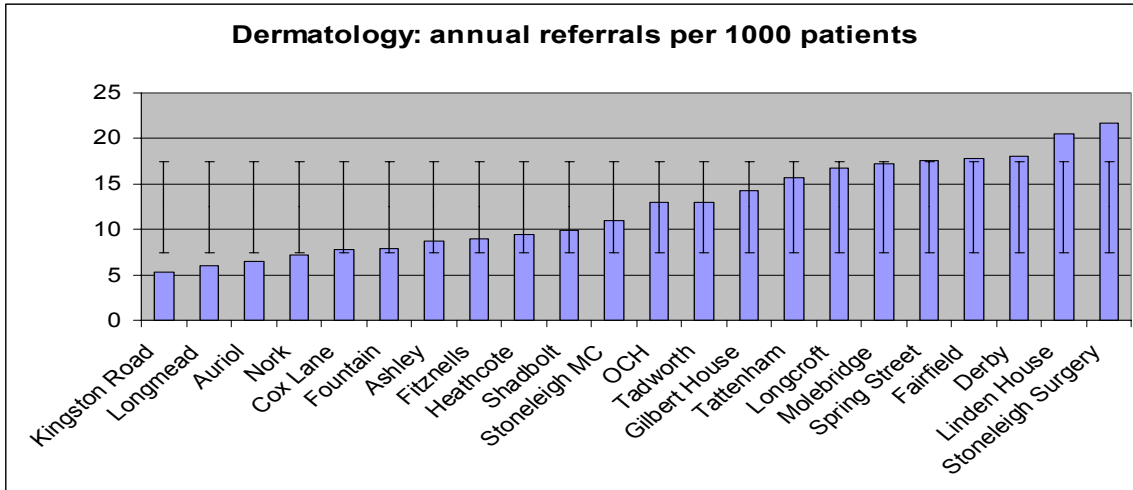


Cardiology referrals per 1000 patients 2006-2007 (including PMS+)





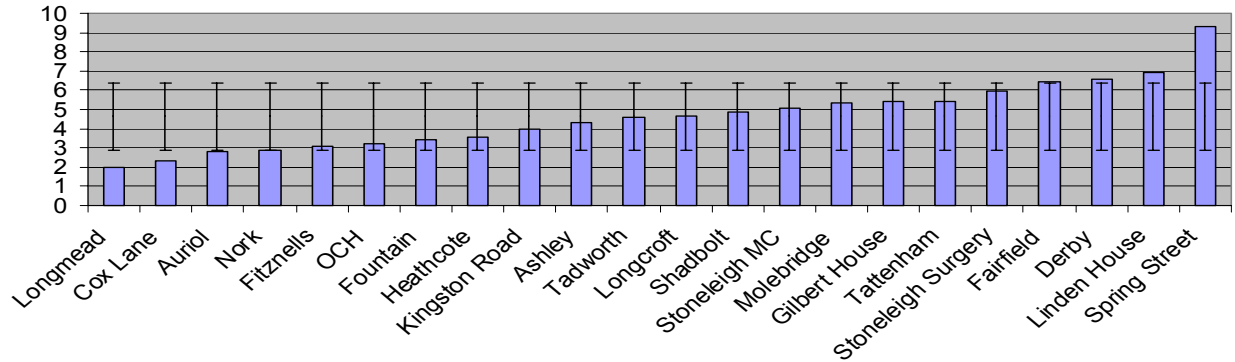
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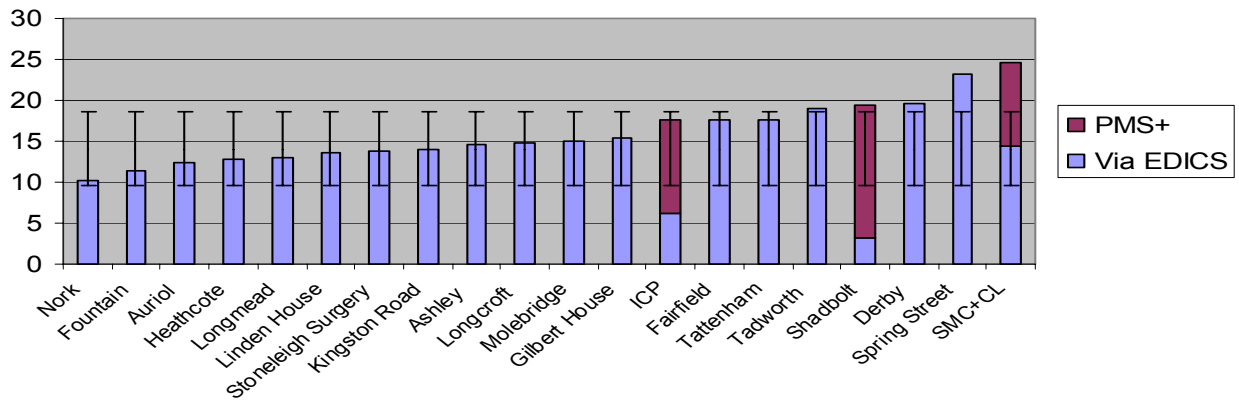


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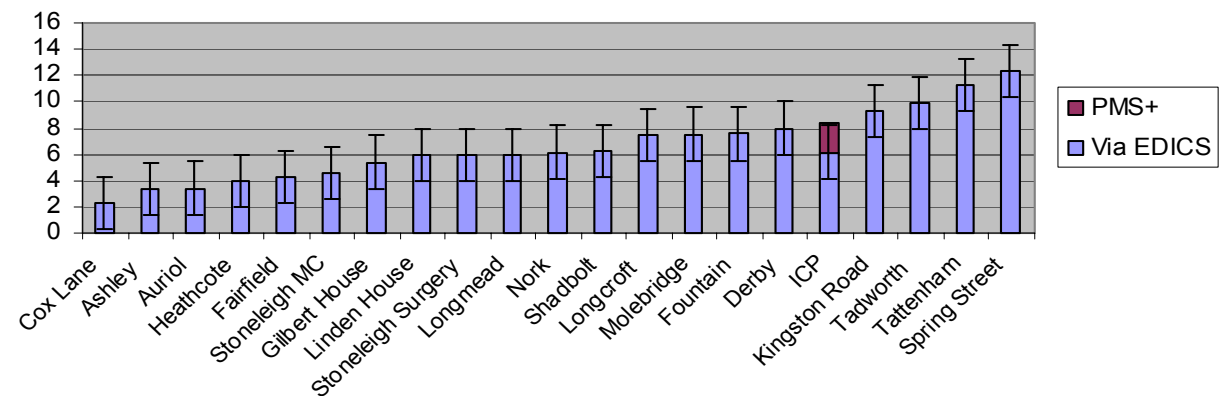
**Gastroenterology: Annual NHS referrals per 1000 patients
July 2006 - June 2007 (No PMS+ referrals)**



**General Surgery NHS referrals per 1000 patients
(including PMS+)**

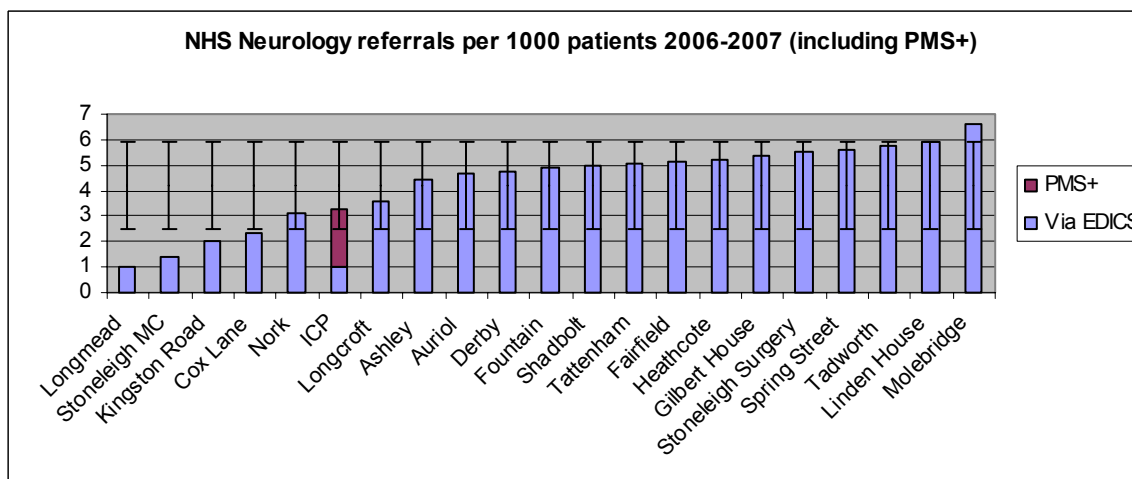
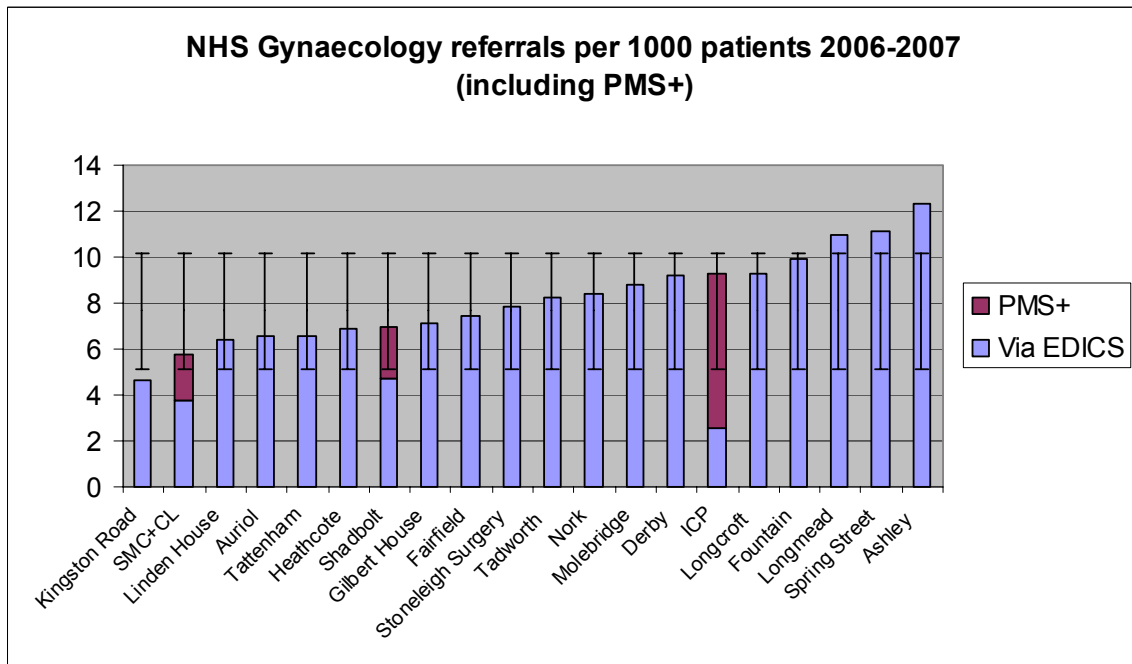
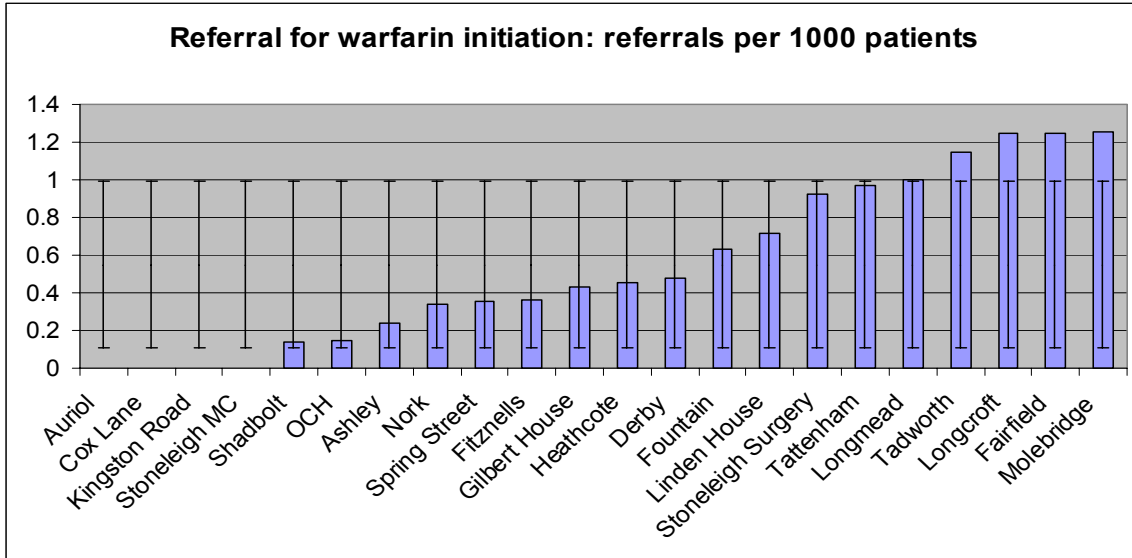


**General medicine NHS referrals per 1000 patients
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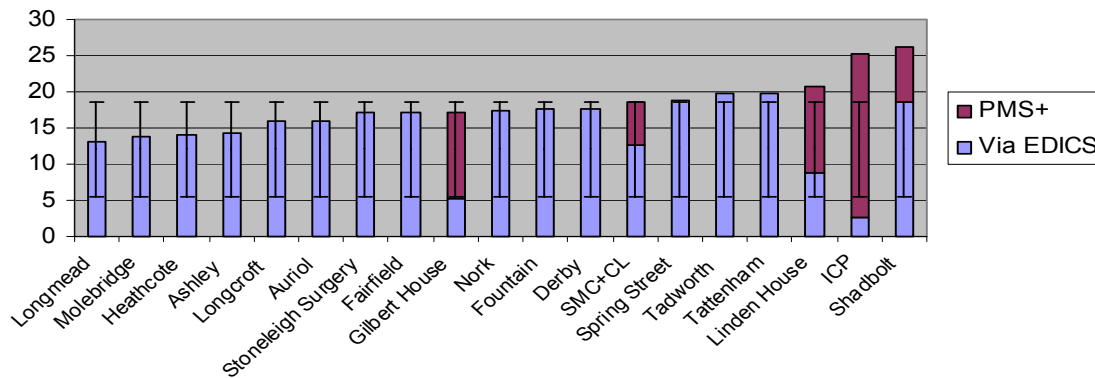
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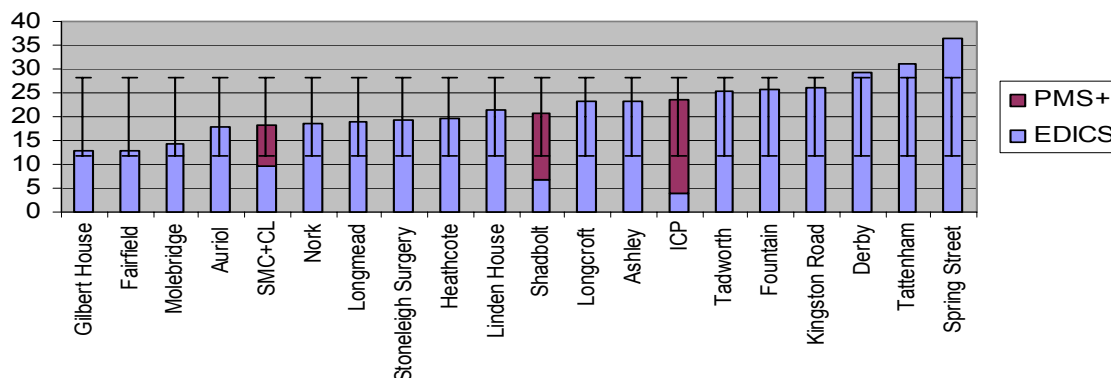


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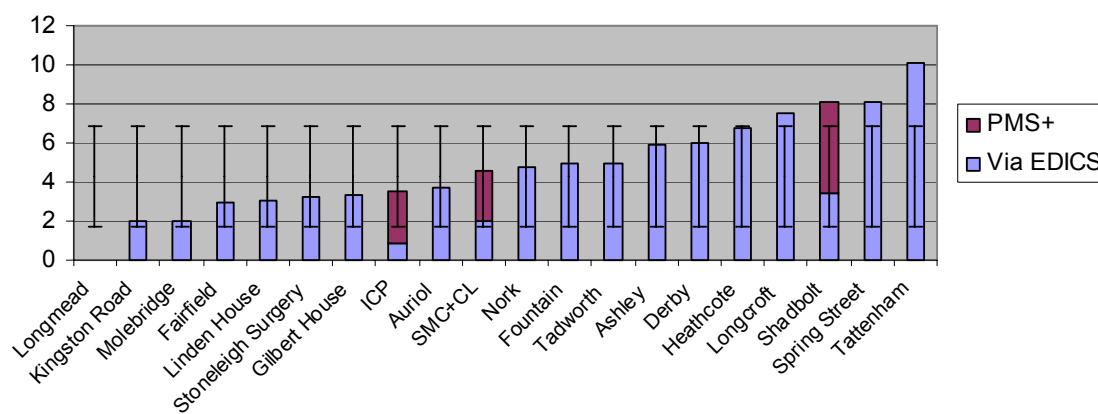
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**NHS Orthopaedic Referrals per 1000 patients 2006-2007
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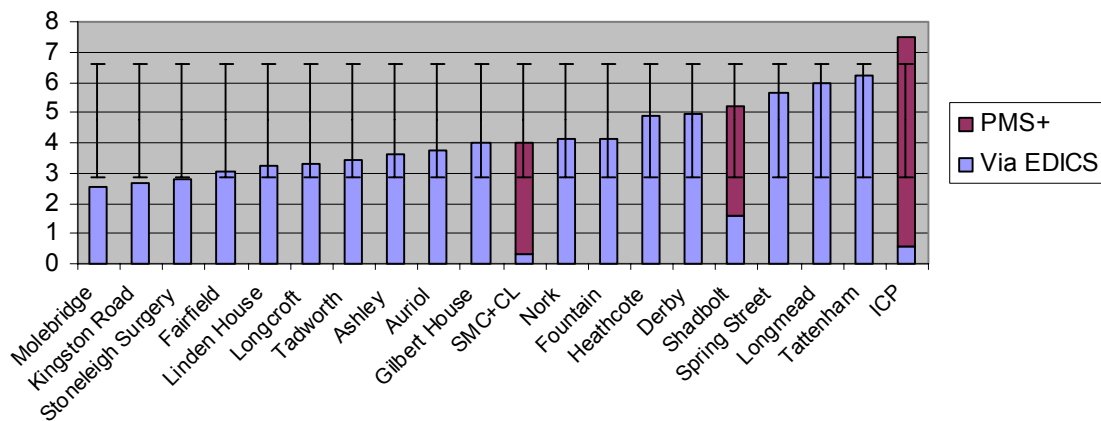
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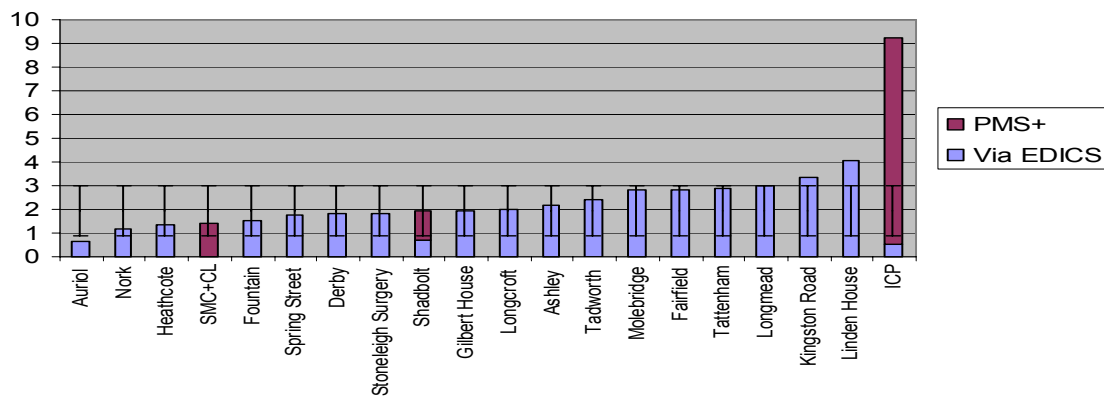


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**NHS Plastic Surgery referrals per 1000 patients 2006-2007
(Including PMS+)**



**NHS Rheumatology referrals per 1000 patients 2006-2007
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**NHS Urology Referrals per 1000 patients 2006-2007
(including PMS+)**

