

Table 2: The percentage of patients with each completed ePCS field (N=185). 2012.

ePCS Field	Percentage of Patients
Patient Medical Condition	
Main diagnoses	67%
Other relevant issues – free text	26%
Advice for Out Of Hours Care	
Care Plan agreed	84%
Care Plan agreed – free text	9%
Preferred place of care	40%
Preferred place of care – free text	39%
Should GP be contacted out of hours?	54%
GP Contact details	6%
Resuscitation status agreed?	90%
Actual resuscitation status	47%
Resuscitation status – free text	23%
Will GP sign death certificate in normal circumstances?	92%
Will GP sign death certificate in normal circumstances? - free text	3%
Additional useful OOH information –free text	21%
Current Care Arrangements	
Current Care Arrangements	57%
Current Care Arrangements – free text	23%
On Palliative Care	96%
On Palliative Care – free text	26%
Syringe driver at home	5%
Catheter continence products at home	18%
Moving and Handling equipment at home	17%
Patient and Carer Awareness of Condition	
Patient’s understanding of Diagnosis	80%
Patient’s understanding of Prognosis	54%
Carer’s understanding of Diagnosis	64%
Carer’s understanding of Prognosis	34%
Awareness and understanding – free text	20%
Patient & Carer Details	
Access Information / potential issues	5%
Carer Details	18%
Next of kin details	32%
Nurse	36%
Additional drugs available at home	15%

Figure 1: Percentage completion of ePCS (N=185). 2012.

