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Dear Amanda and Colleagues,

Doctors Association UK (DAUK) wishes to express significant concerns about the announcement to widen the groups involved in the GP contract discussions.

We are of the firm belief that the BMA GPC, as the trade union for the profession that has held the legislative right to be consulted on contract changes since the inception of the NHS, should continue in this position. DAUK fully support the BMA GPC in their negotiations and believes they are the correct organisation to ensure the GP Contract meets the needs for patients, in a way that can be achieved by those who will deliver it.

As advocates for grassroots general practitioners we had been consulting with GPs, health leaders, and the public to gather views on what should be included in a new GP Contract. On 24th November, DAUK released the results of this work in a document*, 'Your GP, here for you', which includes many references to the 2022 Health and Social Care Committee's report**, 'The Future of General Practice'. This cross party report was written with evidence taken from a large range of professionals, including most of those to be consulted. 'Your GP, here for you', focuses on good practice and patient care, and has quickly gained the support of many GP leaders, the public, and health leaders.

DAUK has a long history of advocacy. We believe that these and other documents should be included in the discussions over the GP contract. As a wider consultation is held then it is imperative that the full range of available evidence is used.

Yours,



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* <https://dauk.org/our-call-for-new-patient-centred-gp-contract/>

**<https://publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm5803/cmselect/cmhealth/113/summary.html>