



# **SHEFFIELD HOMES (SHEFFIELD CITY COUNCIL) REQUESTS FOR MEDICAL REPORTS**

## **Guidance for Sheffield GPs**

Agreement has been reached between the LMC and Sheffield Homes at Sheffield City Council that patients will not be asked to obtain medical evidence to support their re-housing applications.

Sheffield Homes rarely needs to obtain a medical report and, in circumstances where it is necessary, they will write directly to the GP enclosing the patient's written consent.

As this work is not part of a GP's contract of employment or terms and conditions of service and is not part of the NHS, GPs are entitled to charge a fee (fees are no longer set by the DDRB – the last DDRB set fee was £25.15 in 2005/06).

An invoice should be forwarded to Sheffield Homes with the medical report. It is not possible for Sheffield Homes to offer payment in advance.

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