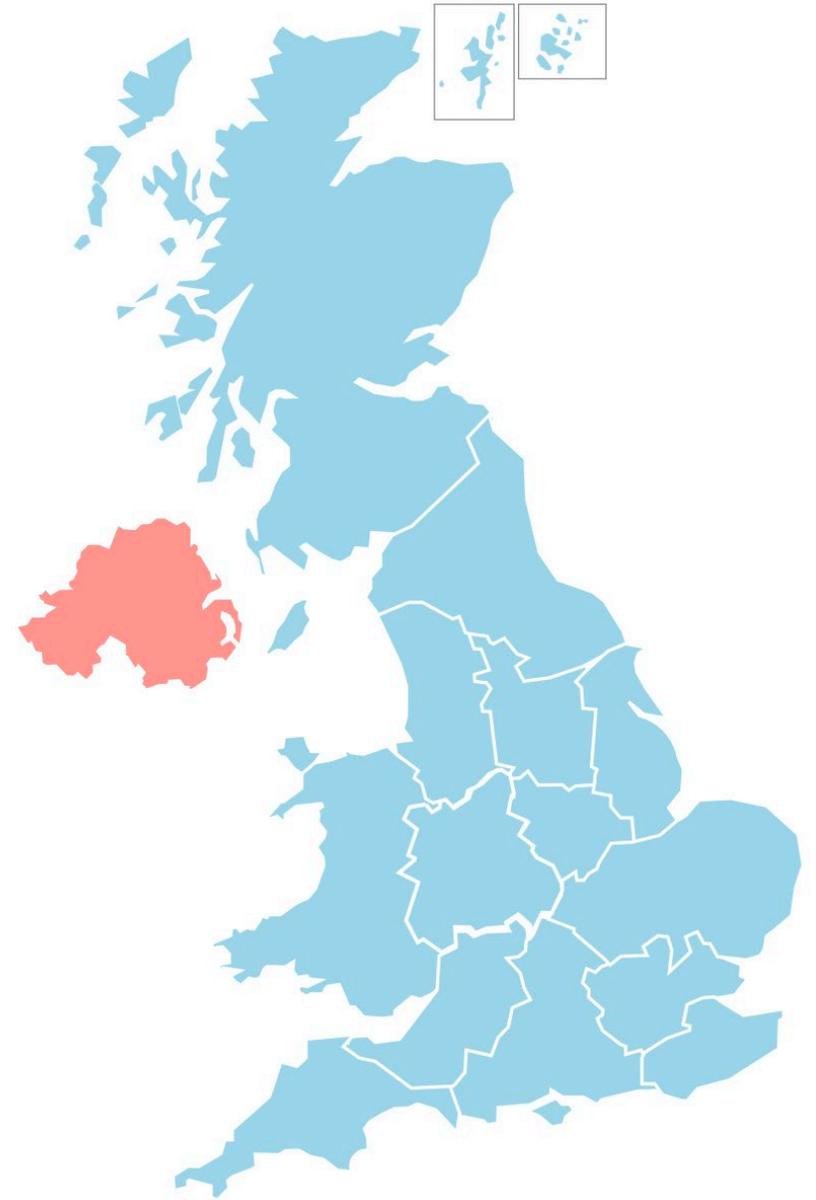
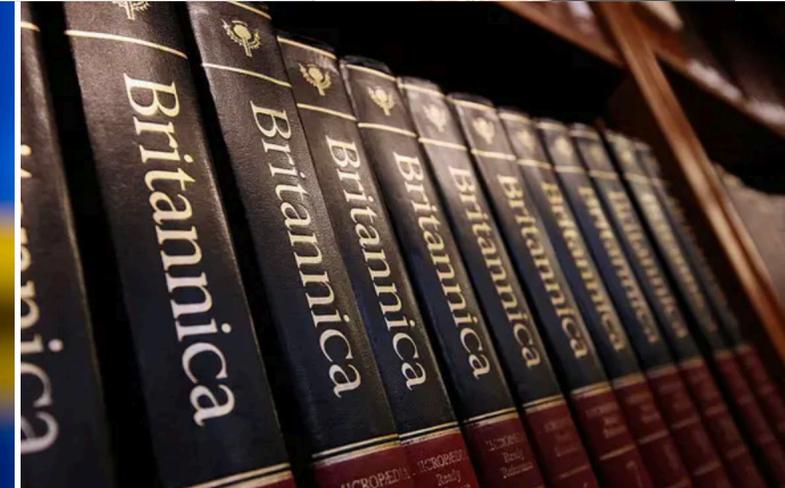


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CURRENT CONTRACT DATES BACK TO 1990'S



Current contract: ITEM OF SERVICE



Allowances based on number of registered patients



Fee per item of treatment carried out



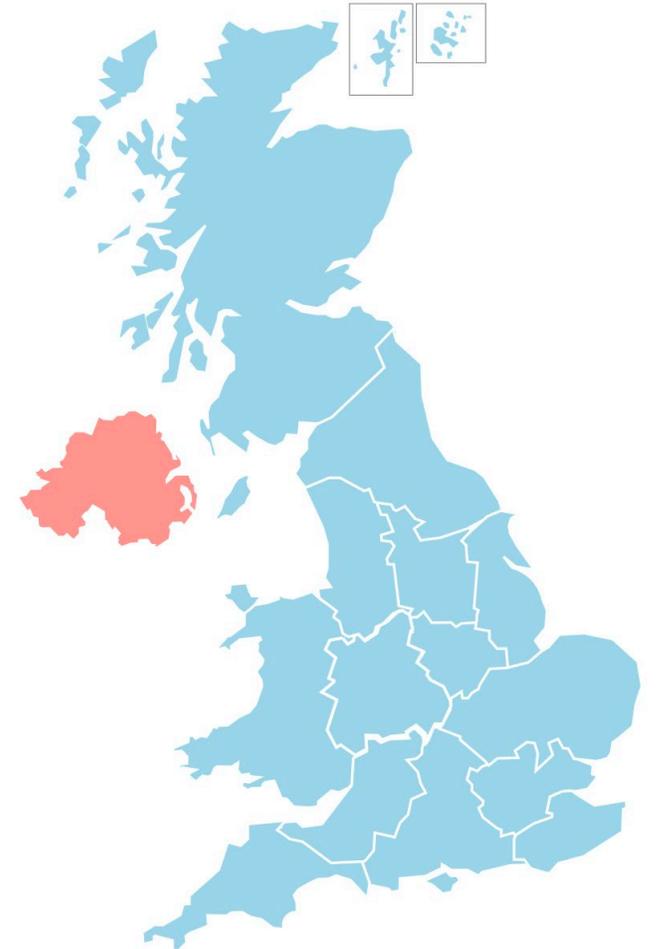
Slight weighting for areas of social deprivation



Maternity pay, sick pay, pensions



Rates and clinical waste rebates based on %NHS



A Flavour of the fees



Extraction £17.07

Partial denture £81.04

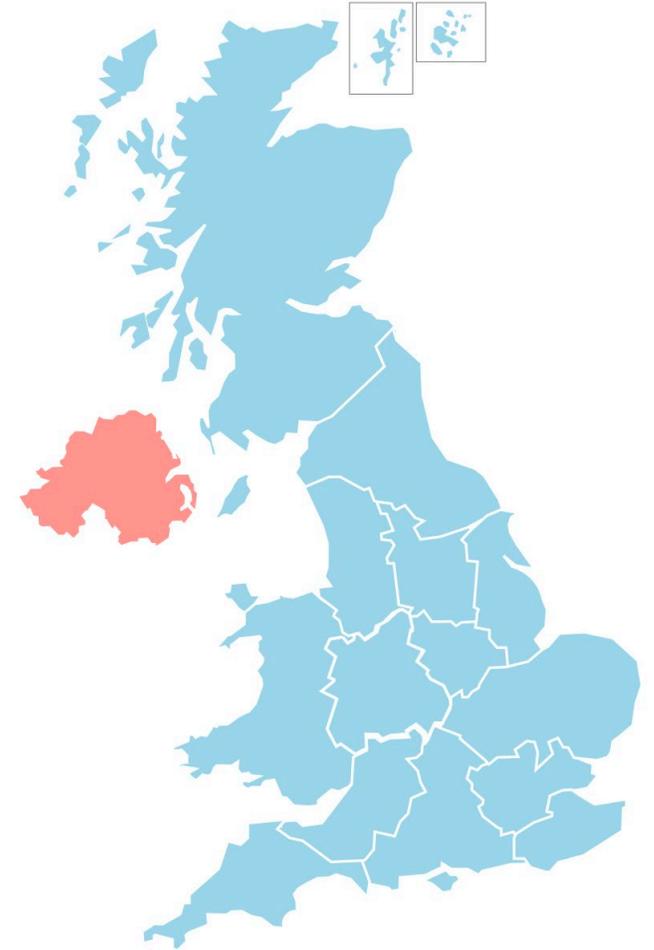


Occlusal amalgam £10.16



CURRENT ACTIVITY RATE (MAY) COMPARED TO BAY

72%



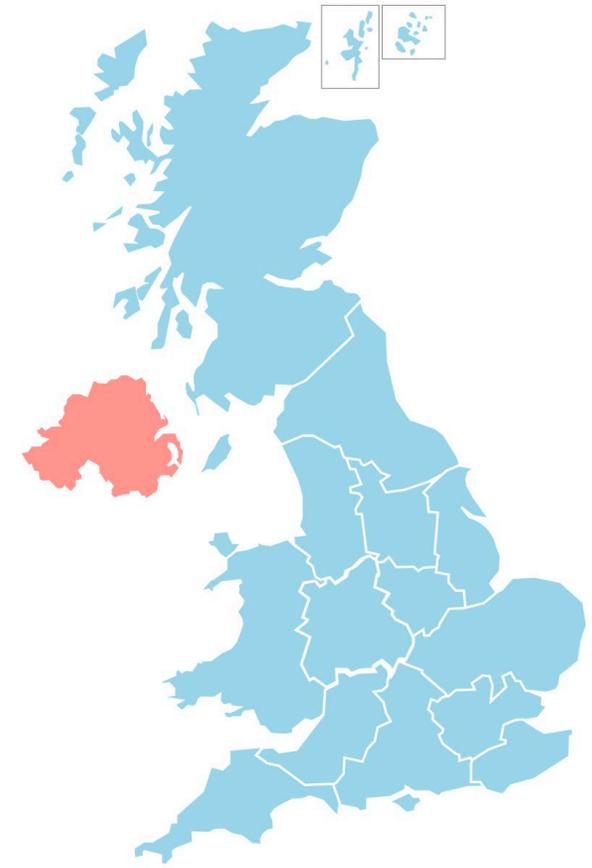
Current tweaks to the contract



Pilot for unregistered patients

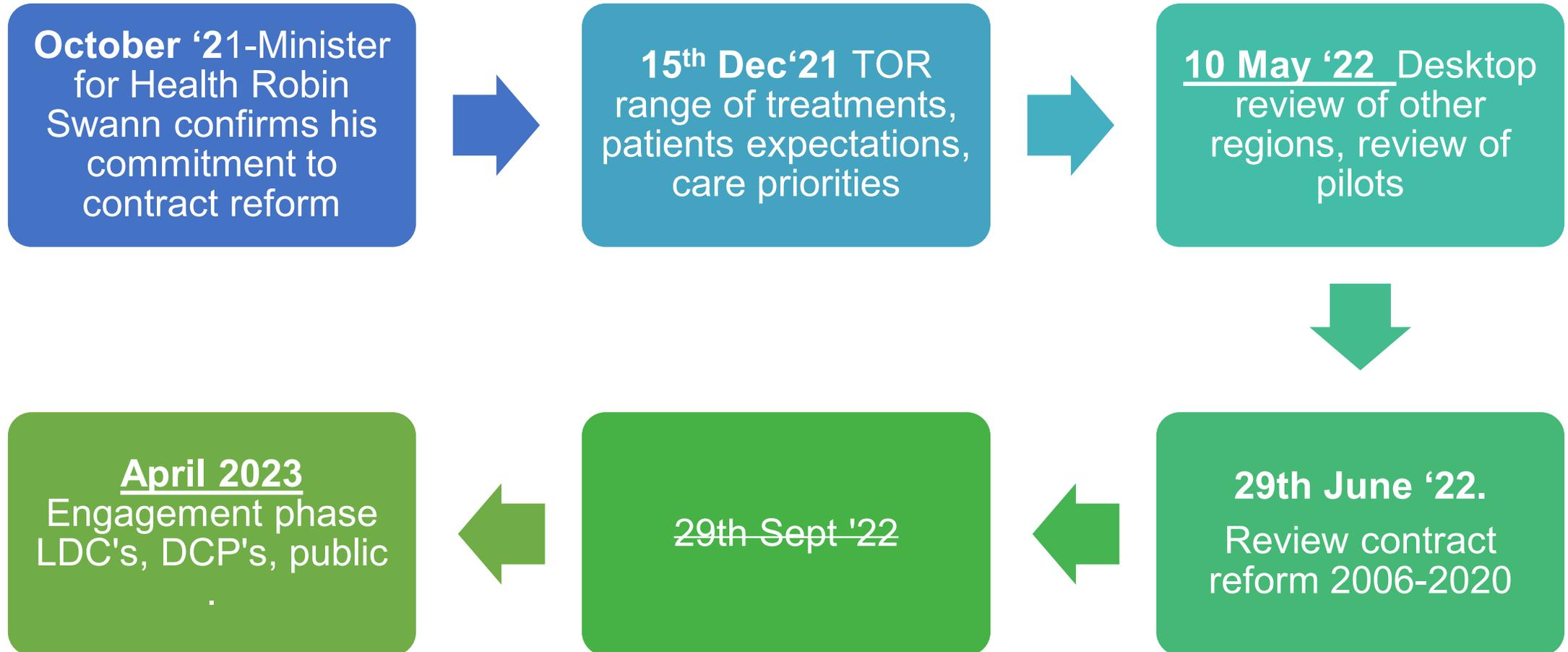


Denture fee enhancement 25%



72%

Northern Ireland Contract reform '21-'23



Engagement phase: current issues

- What are the barriers to providing dental treatment to Health Service patients?
- Are the patients being prioritised appropriately?
- Patient understanding of current arrangements, the difference between HS and private treatment and their entitlement.
- The utilisation of other DCPs, are there sufficient career progression opportunities for all?
- **In which areas of the GDS is investment least value for money?**

Engagement phase: Future of NHS Dentistry

- What should be the primary focus of GDS reform?
- What dental treatments should be available under the Health Service?
- How to maintain a balance between the provision of private and HS care?
- Expanding the role of DCPs.
- How to better reach those most in need of treatment.

NI HEALTH BUDGET 23/24

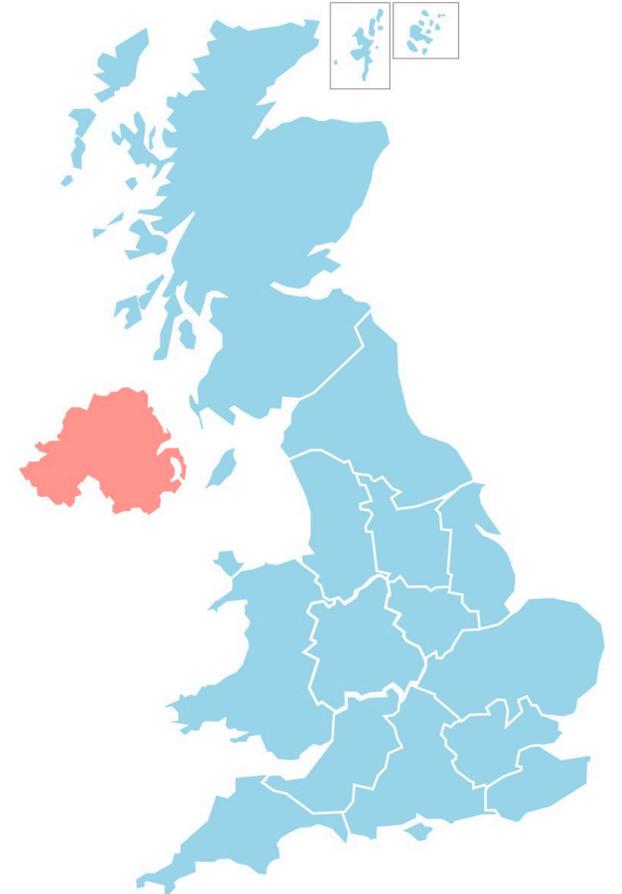
Shortfall of **732m**

Immediate removal of covid recovery enhancements

No fee uplift

No allowances for increased cost of care

Not enough funding to maintain current services across healthcare



Spin and reframing

‘The demand for more expensive private dentistry in NI has never been higher and many dental practices are committing more time to those patients’

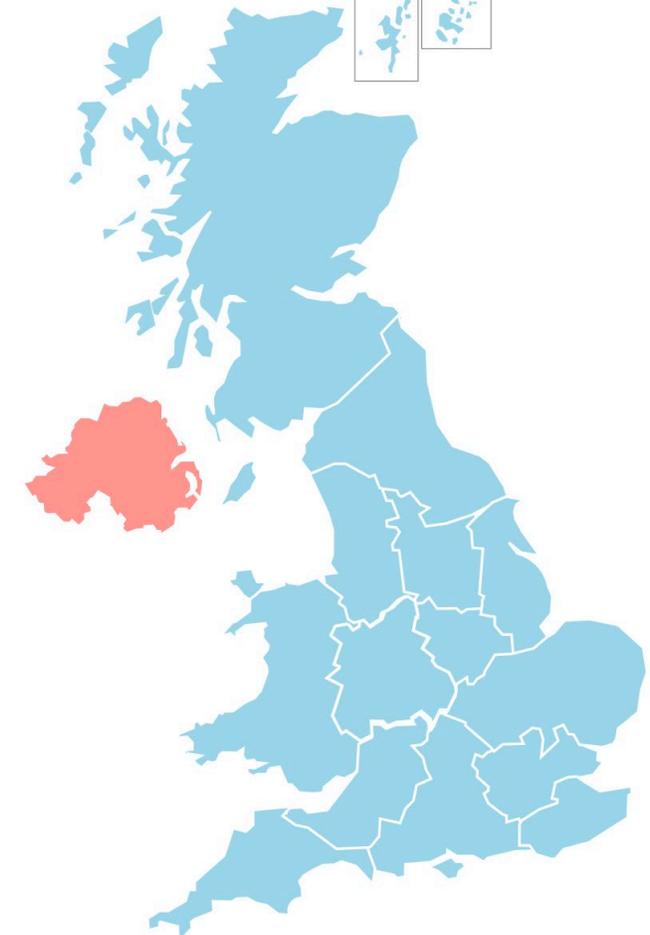
‘Practices are being driven away from HS dentistry due to chronic lack of funding, the current crisis precipitated by spiralling costs of care’



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