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# Sexual Health: Bracknell Forest Overview and Scrutiny Committee

# National commissioning context

## Funding and commissioning sexual health services

Responsibility for commissioning sexual health, reproductive health and HIV services is shared across local authorities, clinical commissioning groups and NHS England.

### Local authorities

- Comprehensive sexual health services including most contraceptive services and all prescribing costs, but excluding GP additionally-provided contraception
- STI testing and treatment, chlamydia screening and HIV testing
- Specialist services, including young people's sexual health, teenage pregnancy services, outreach, HIV prevention, sexual health promotion, services in school, colleges and pharmacies

### Clinical commissioning groups

- Most abortion services
- Sterilisation
- Vasectomy
- Non-sexual-health elements of psychosexual health services
- Gynaecology including any use of contraception for non-contraceptive purposes

### NHS England

- Contraception provided as an additional services under GP contract
- HIV treatment and care (including drug costs for PEPSE)
- Promotion of opportunistic testing and treatment for STIs and patient-requested testing by GPs
- Sexual health elements of prison health services
- Sexual assault referral centres
- Cervical screening
- Specialist fetal medicine services

# Multiple services and settings involved in supporting good sexual health)



Example = teenage pregnancy

Diagram take from the national teenage pregnancy framework (key factors of effective local strategies)

# Key indicators for Bracknell Forest

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Geography version

Districts & UAs (from Apr 2023) ▼

Indicator	Period	Bracknell F		Region England			England		Best/ Highest
		Recent Trend	Count	Value	Value	Value	Worst/ Lowest	Range	
Syphilis diagnostic rate per 100,000	2022	➔	13	10.4	9.6	15.4	143.3		0.0
Gonorrhoea diagnostic rate per 100,000	2022	➔	96	77	81*	146	1,220		21
Chlamydia detection rate per 100,000 aged 15 to 24 (Female)	2022	⬇	83	1,280	1,786*	2,110	371		6,544
Chlamydia proportion aged 15 to 24 screened	2022	⬇	1,533	11.2%	12.1%*	15.2%	5.2%		39.7%
New STI diagnoses (excluding chlamydia aged under 25) per 100,000	2022	⬇	390	312	349*	496	3,155		142
HIV testing coverage, total	2022	⬇	897	56.1%	48.2%	48.2%	19.2%		76.3%
HIV late diagnosis in people first diagnosed with HIV in the UK	2020 - 22	—	7	70.0%	48.7%	43.3%	100%		0.0%
New HIV diagnosis rate per 100,000	2022	➔	7	5.6	5.6	6.7	52.7		0.0
HIV diagnosed prevalence rate per 1,000 aged 15 to 59	2022	➔	117	1.54	1.85	2.34	12.18		0.45
Total prescribed LARC excluding injections rate / 1,000	2021	➔	1,155	46.0	49.5	41.8	4.4		85.3
Under 18s conception rate / 1,000	2021	—	15	6.4	10.7	13.1	31.5		2.7
Under 18s conceptions leading to abortion (%)	2021	➔	10	66.7%	58.5%	53.4%	25.0%		91.7%
Violent crime - sexual offences per 1,000 population	2021/22	➔	297	2.4	2.9*	3.0*	1.4		6.3

[Sexual and Reproductive Health Profiles - Data - OHID \(phe.org.uk\)](https://phe.org.uk/data/sexual-reproductive-health-profiles)



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# Current 'core' SRH services

**SRH services available in Berkshire East (2022/23) have remained relatively consistent since the 2017 HNA and currently include:**

- Berkshire Healthcare Foundation Trust: specialist, integrated SRH
- SH24: home STI test kits that can be ordered online.
- GPs (2023/24): Long Acting Reversible Contraception (8/11)
- Pharmacy (2022/23) x 1: Emergency Hormonal Contraception (EHC) 13-24 yr olds
- Safe Sex Berkshire website: SRH service signposting, health promotion and advice.
- Youth team by thrive!: working with 3 secondary schools to support SRH education.

**Also within Frimley ICS, NHS commissioned services for SRH include:**

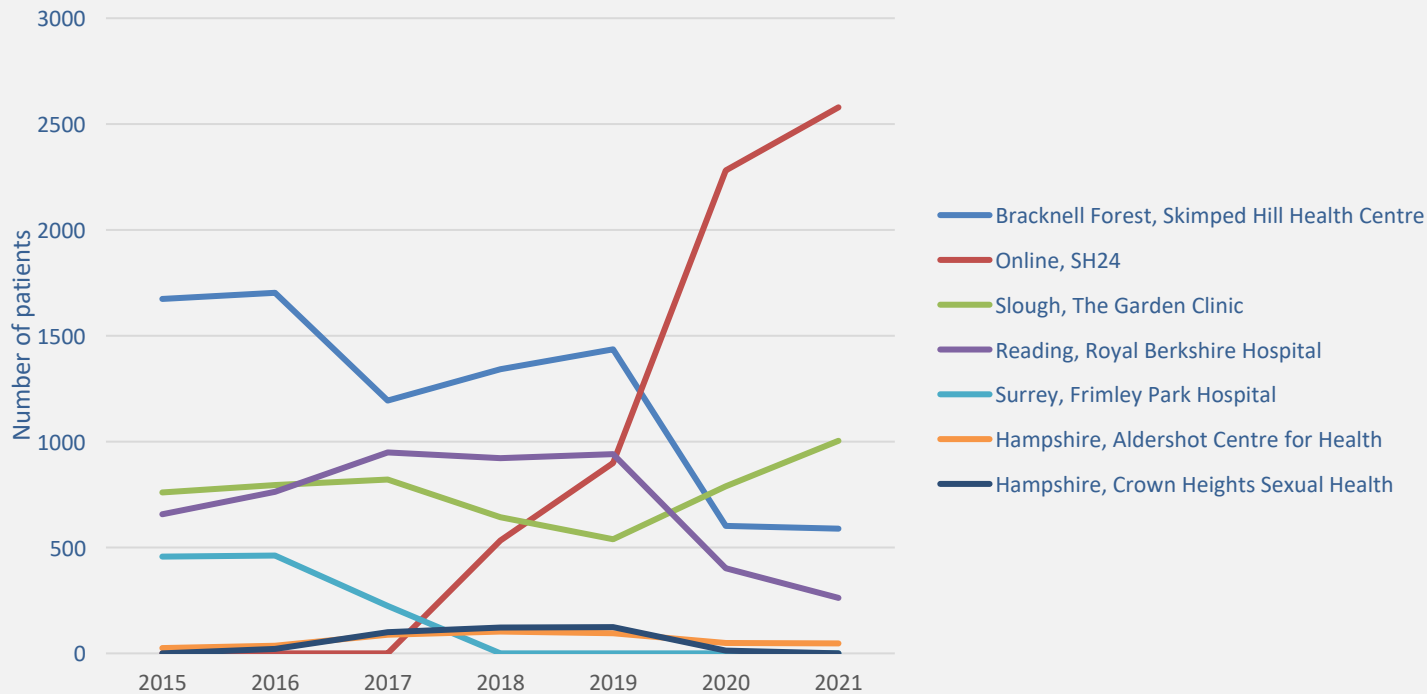
- BPAS as provider of Termination of Pregnancy Services
- Frimley Healthcare Foundation Trust as provider of Maternity services and Gynaecology services



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# Numbers of Bracknell Forest residents accessing specialist SRH services by service provider

Specialist SRH services accessed by Bracknell Forest residents: location of clinics 2015-2021



# STIs

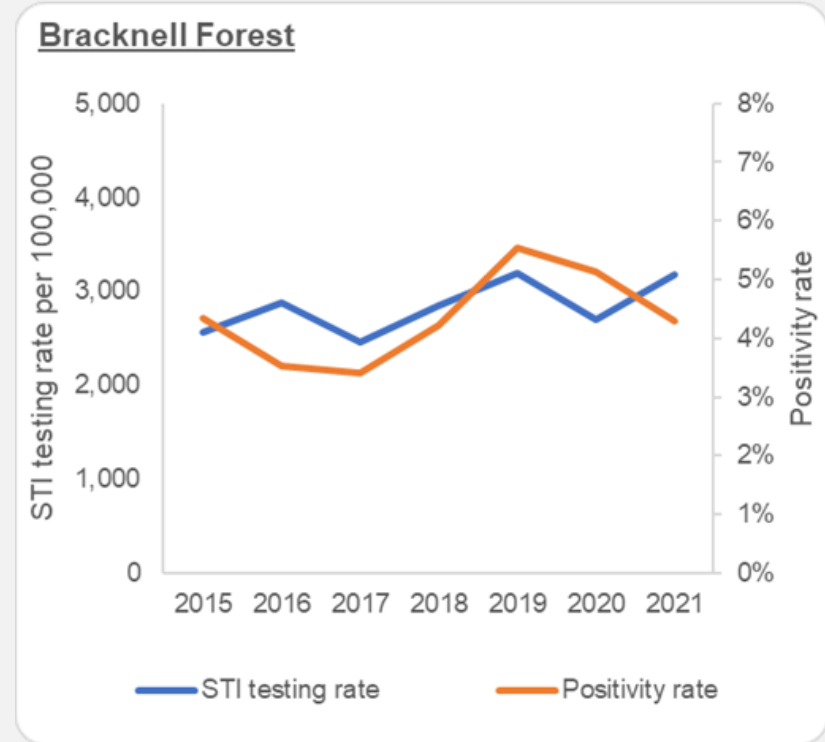
Bracknell's positivity rates are significantly lower than the national rate, but in line with the comparator deprivation decile.

Bracknell's highest rates among 20-24 year olds and second highest among 25-35 year old males and 15-19 year old females.

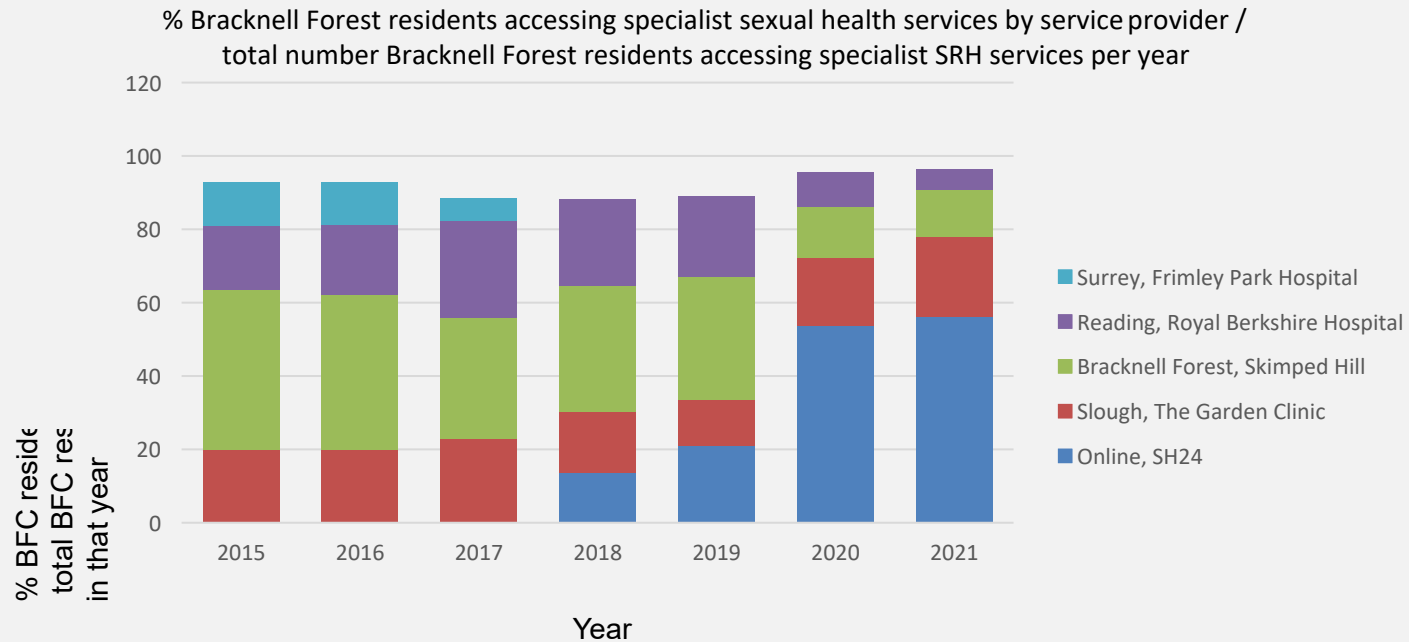
Higher proportion STI diagnosis among people from black or black British, mixed and white backgrounds (Berkshire East). Those from black or black British backgrounds appear to have the highest rates overall.

In contrast, those from Asian or Asian British and other ethnic groups have a lower proportion than expected.

**STI testing rate (excluding chlamydia) per 100,000 population and corresponding positivity rates**



# % Bracknell Forest residents accessing specialist SRH services by service provider



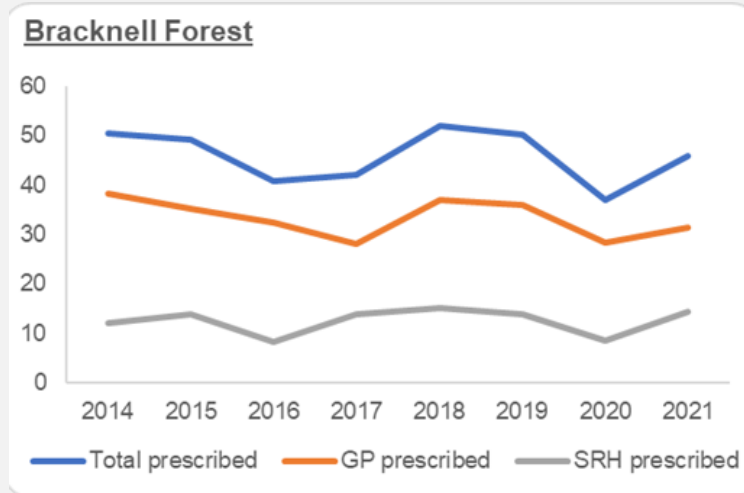
From 2018 there was no provision to BFC residents in Frimley Park Hospital.

Two Hampshire sites accounted for 5.7% of activity in 2018, 5.1% in 2019; from 2020 the proportion of BFC residents not seen in the 4 main settings listed were seen across a number of services and geographies.



# Contraception: LARC

Rate of LARC prescription per 1,000 female population aged 15 to 44 – by prescription provider



- Total LARC prescription rate higher than national rates but lower than the comparator deprivation decile rate.
- Availability of urgent contraception appointments concern raised by professionals.

GPs providing LARC in 2022 x pop density

