

# Health and Employment After Fifty (the HEAF study)

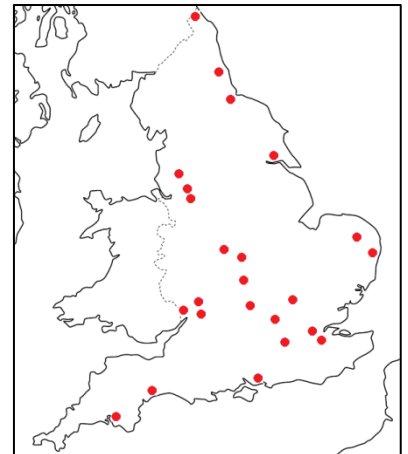
## Dear participant

Your doctor's surgery is one of 24 general practices across England that are taking part in this important research and we would like to keep you informed of our progress so far!

GP practices taking part in  
the HEAF study

## The aim of the study:

We want to find out whether working to older ages is good or bad for health and in what ways, and also how often health affects people's ability to work in different types of job at older ages.



## Progress so far...

- Two years ago, you very kindly completed the first yellow HEAF questionnaire. We had a fantastic response to this part of the study with over 8,000 people returning the questionnaire and agreeing to take part with further annual questionnaires.
- Green follow-up questionnaires were sent out one year after the first HEAF questionnaire and over 80% have been completed and returned. This is another great response - **THANK YOU for all your help.** We really do value your support for the study because it is only with your help that we are able to carry out this important work.
- We are now enclosing the second year blue follow-up questionnaire so that we can find out if your circumstances have changed at all in the last year. We hope you will be able to assist us again with this. The more people who answer the follow-up questions, the more reliably we can find out about work and health at older ages.

