

Fittleworth Dispensing Appliance Contractor Customer Feedback Report

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Why you contacted your appliance supplier recently and the response you received

Q1: Why did you contact the supplier? To submit a NHS prescription for:

Table 1:

Response	Number of responses	Percentage of responses*
Yourself	88	77%
Someone else	22	19%
Both	1	1%
Blank / Spoilt	3	3%

Please see Appendix 1 for any specified other reasons for contacting the supplier

Q2: How do you normally contact your supplier?

Table 2:

Response	Number of responses	Percentage of responses*
Telephone	83	73%
Fax	1	1%
Post	3	3%
Email	10	9%
Face to face	1	1%
Internet	9	8%
Blank / Spoilt	7	6%

*Percentages may not add up to 100% due to rounding.

Why you contacted your appliance supplier recently and the response you received

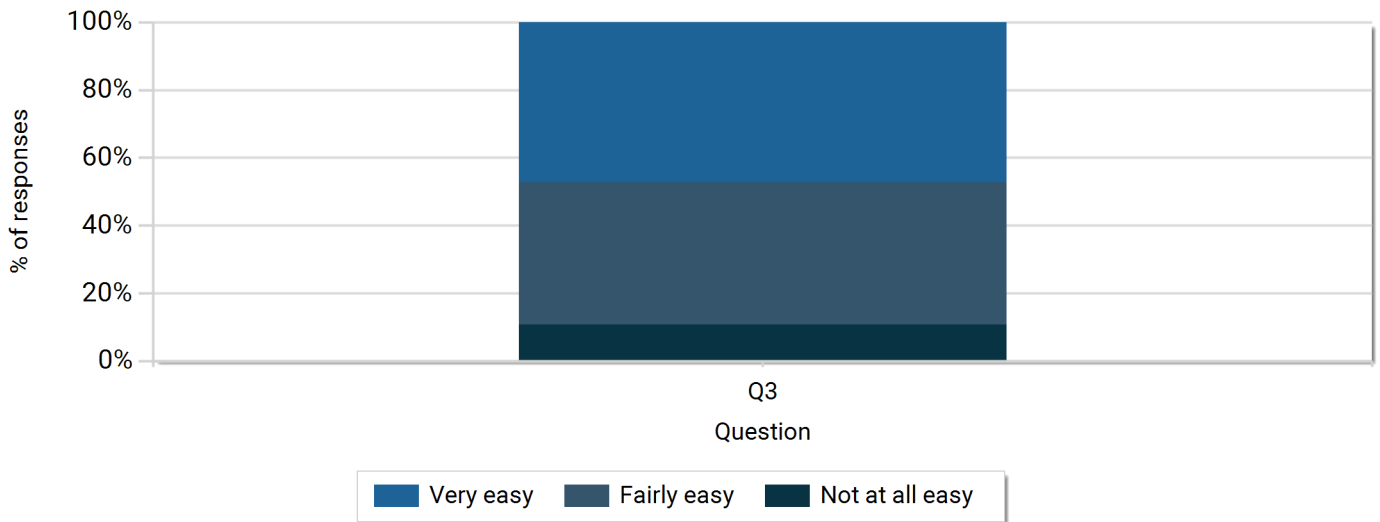
Q3: How easy did you find it to contact them?

Table 3.1: Distribution and frequency of ratings (Q3)

	Not at all easy	Fairly easy	Very easy	Blank / Spoilt
Q3 How easy did you find it to contact them?	12	47	53	2

Blank/spoilt responses are not included in your mean percentage score analysis.

Graph 1: Percentage distribution and frequency of ratings (Q3)



Please note blank/spoilt responses have not been incorporated in this graphical representation.

Table 3.2: Your mean percentage scores and benchmarks

	Your mean score (%)	Benchmark data (%)*				
		Min	Lower Quartile	Median	Upper Quartile	Max
Q3 How easy did you find it to contact them?	68	63	66	69	72	96

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Table 3.3 Current and previous mean percentage scores

	Current score	Previous score (December 2020)	Previous score (January 2020)	Previous score (February 2019)
Q3 How easy did you find it to contact them?	68	89	95	89

Why you contacted your appliance supplier recently and the response you received

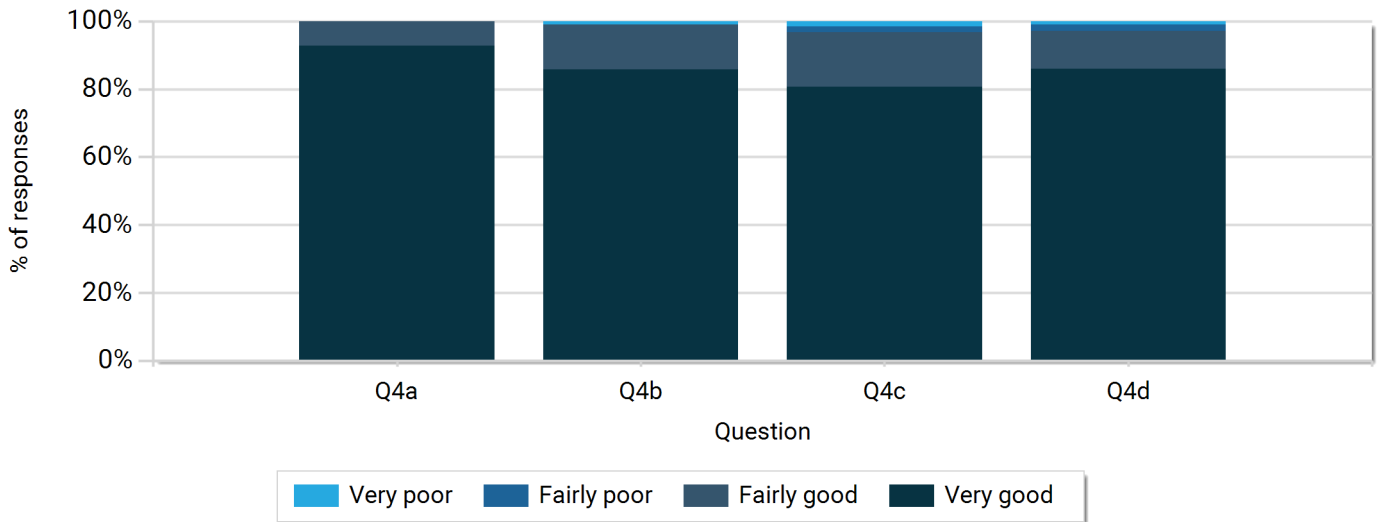
Q4: If you have dealt with the supplier either by telephone, email or in person, based on your experience of this and other occasions, how would you rate them and the services listed below?

Table 4.1: Distribution and frequency of ratings (Q4)

	Very good	Fairly good	Fairly poor	Very poor	Don't know	Blank / Spoilt
Q4a Polite and took time to understand needs?	102	8	0	0	1	3
Q4b Answering any queries you had	91	14	0	1	0	8
Q4c Passing you on to someone who could help	50	10	1	1	18	34
Q4d How would you describe their service?	92	12	2	1	0	7

Blank/spoilt responses are not included in your mean percentage score analysis.

Graph 2: Percentage distribution and frequency of ratings (Q4)



Please note blank/spoilt and 'don't know' responses have not been incorporated in this graphical representation.

Table 4.2: Your mean percentage scores and benchmarks

	Your mean score (%)	Benchmark data (%)*				
		Min	Lower Quartile	Median	Upper Quartile	Max
Q4a Polite and took time to understand needs?	98	94	97	97	98	100
Q4b Answering any queries you had	95	92	95	95	96	98
Q4c Passing you on to someone who could help	92	88	91	94	96	99
Q4d How would you describe their service?	94	91	93	95	96	99

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Why you contacted your appliance supplier recently and the response you received

Table 4.3 Current and previous mean percentage scores

	Current score	Previous score (December 2020)	Previous score (January 2020)	Previous score (February 2019)
Q4a Polite and took time to understand needs?	98	97	99	98
Q4b Answering any queries you had	95	94	98	97
Q4c Passing you on to someone who could help	92	97	97	98
Q4d How would you describe their service?	94	96	98	98

Q5: If you had a prescription dispensed, did the supplier provide you with a written note of the supplier's name, address & telephone number?

Table 5:

Response	Number of responses	Percentage of responses*
Yes	66	58%
No	12	11%
Don't know	26	23%
Blank / Spoilt	10	9%

*Percentages may not add up to 100% due to rounding.

About the services you receive from this supplier

Q6 If there has ever been an occasion when the appliance was not available straightaway (based on your experience of this and other occasions you have used this supplier):

Q6a: Did you receive a written note of the appliance which was owed?

Table 6a:

Response	Number of responses	Percentage of responses*
Yes	21	18%
No	17	15%
Don't know	14	12%
Blank / Spoilt	62	54%

Q6b: Were you informed when it was expected to become available?

Table 6b:

Response	Number of responses	Percentage of responses*
Yes	16	76%
No	3	14%
Don't know	0	0%
Blank / Spoilt	2	10%

Please note: The data provided in this table is only from those respondents who selected 'Yes' to Q6a.

Q7 If the appliance was not in stock from the supplier, or if they were not able to provide an appliance customisation on request:

Q7a: Were you asked to agree that they should refer the prescription to someone able to supply the appliance or appliance customisation?

Table 7a:

Response	Number of responses	Percentage of responses*
Yes	5	4%
No	18	16%
Don't know	17	15%
Blank / Spoilt	74	65%

*Percentages may not add up to 100% due to rounding.

About the services you receive from this supplier

Q7b: Where you did not agree, did they provide the contact details of at least 2 other suppliers who were able to provide the appliance or appliance customisation?

Table 7b:

Response	Number of responses	Percentage of responses*
Yes	1	20%
No	1	20%
Don't know	0	0%
Blank / Spoilt	3	60%

Please note: The data provided in this table is only from those respondents who selected 'Yes' to Q7a.

Q8a: If you presented a repeat prescription, did the supplier check to see if you still needed the appliance?

Table 8a:

Response	Number of responses	Percentage of responses*
Yes	40	35%
No	15	13%
Don't know	10	9%
Blank / Spoilt	49	43%

Q8b: If you presented a repeat prescription, did the supplier check that you were satisfied in using the appliance?

Table 8b:

Response	Number of responses	Percentage of responses*
Yes	33	29%
No	22	19%
Don't know	9	8%
Blank / Spoilt	50	44%

Q8c: If you presented a repeat prescription, did the supplier check that you were not suffering from problems with the appliance or your stoma treatment?

Table 8c:

Response	Number of responses	Percentage of responses*
Yes	21	18%
No	32	28%
Don't know	10	9%
Blank / Spoilt	51	45%

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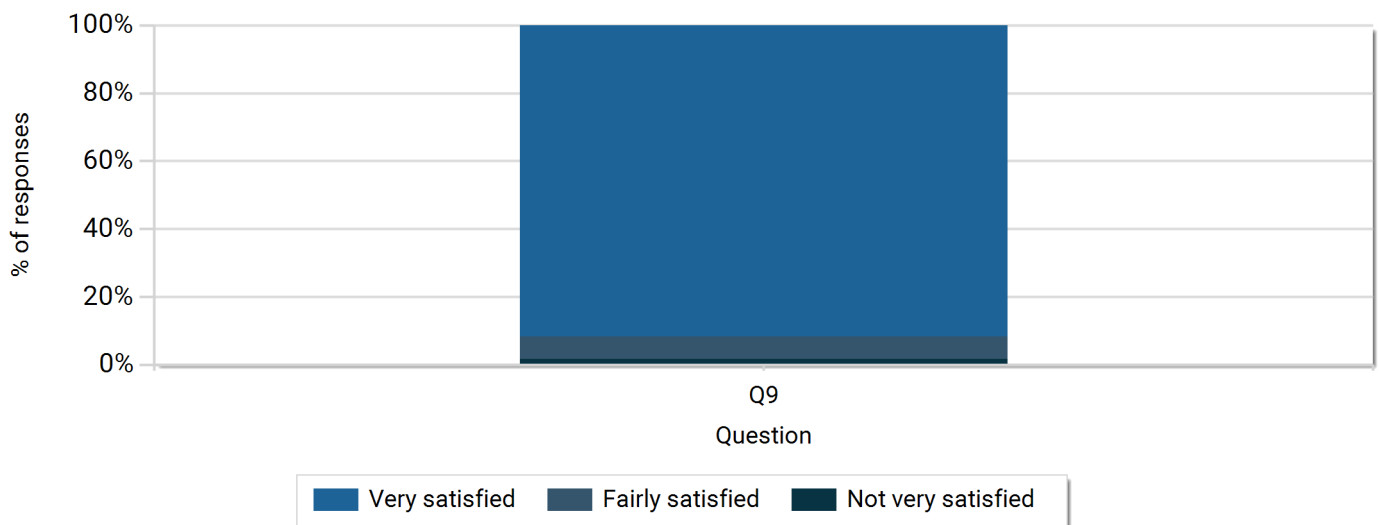
Q9: If the appliances you receive are customised in any way how do you rate the overall quality of this service from your supplier?

Table 9.1: Distribution and frequency of ratings (Q9)

	Not at all satisfied	Not very satisfied	Fairly satisfied	Very satisfied	Blank / Spoilt
Q9 Overall quality of customisation service	0	1	4	55	54

Blank/spoilt responses are not included in your mean percentage score analysis.

Graph 3: Percentage distribution and frequency of ratings (Q9)



Please note blank/spoilt responses have not been incorporated in this graphical representation.

Table 9.2: Your mean percentage scores and benchmarks

	Your mean score (%)	Benchmark data (%)*				
		Min	Lower Quartile	Median	Upper Quartile	Max
Q9 Overall quality of customisation service	97	90	92	94	96	98

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Table 9.3 Current and previous mean percentage scores

	Current score	Previous score (December 2020)	Previous score (January 2020)	Previous score (February 2019)
Q9 Overall quality of customisation service	97	96	99	93

About the services you receive from this supplier

Q10: Some appliances may be delivered for patient convenience. Suppliers only have to deliver bulky packages, such as catheters. If your product is a bulky product, did the supplier offer to deliver the specified appliance to your home?

Table 10:

Response	Number of responses	Percentage of responses*
Yes	74	65%
No	1	1%
Don't know	9	8%
Blank / Spoilt	30	26%

Q11a: If your product was delivered, was the delivery prompt and at a time agreed with you?

Table 11a:

Response	Number of responses	Percentage of responses*
Yes	95	83%
No	7	6%
Blank / Spoilt	12	11%

Q11b: If your product was delivered, did the package display any writing or other markings which could indicate its content?

Table 11b:

Response	Number of responses	Percentage of responses*
Yes	8	7%
No	94	82%
Blank / Spoilt	12	11%

Q11c: If your product was delivered, did the vehicle in which the package was delivered convey the nature of the contents?

Table 11c:

Response	Number of responses	Percentage of responses*
Yes	3	3%
No	92	81%
Blank / Spoilt	19	17%

*Percentages may not add up to 100% due to rounding.

About the services you receive from this supplier

Q11d: If your product was delivered, did you receive a reasonable supply of supplementary items? (such as disposable wipes and disposal bags)

Table 11d:

Response	Number of responses	Percentage of responses*
Yes	99	87%
No	7	6%
Blank / Spoilt	8	7%

Q12 If the supplier believes it is appropriate to do so, they can offer you an Appliance Use Review (AUR)

Q12a: Have you ever been offered a review (AUR) by your supplier?

Table 12a:

Response	Number of responses	Percentage of responses*
Yes	2	2%
No	101	89%
Blank / Spoilt	11	10%

Q12b: Have you ever been advised by your supplier that they cannot provide this service?

Table 12b:

Response	Number of responses	Percentage of responses*
Yes	1	1%
No	99	87%
Blank / Spoilt	14	12%

Q12c: If yes, did they give you contact details of at least 2 suppliers of appliances or pharmacies, who are able to arrange for the service to be provided?

Table 12c:

Response	Number of responses	Percentage of responses*
Yes	1	100%
No	0	0%
Blank / Spoilt	0	0%

Please note: The data provided in this table is only from those respondents who selected 'Yes' to Q12b.

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About the services you receive from this supplier

Q13a: If you have ever contacted the supplier's telephone care line out of hours, were they able to provide advice at the time you called?

Table 13a:

Response	Number of responses	Percentage of responses*
Yes	13	11%
No	33	29%
Don't know	24	21%
Blank / Spoilt	44	39%

Q13b: If no, did they provide the telephone number of NHS 111?

Table 13b:

Response	Number of responses	Percentage of responses*
Yes	2	6%
No	17	52%
Don't know	2	6%
Blank / Spoilt	12	36%

Please note: The data provided in this table is only from those respondents who selected 'No' to Q13a.

Q14a: Does the supplier provide a practice leaflet containing information about their premises i.e. opening hours and access for disabled customers?

Table 14a:

Response	Number of responses	Percentage of responses*
Yes	43	38%
No	29	25%
Don't know	29	25%
Blank / Spoilt	13	11%

Q14b: Does the supplier provide a practice leaflet containing information about the NHS services that they provide?

Table 14b:

Response	Number of responses	Percentage of responses*
Yes	32	28%
No	35	31%
Don't know	30	26%
Blank / Spoilt	17	15%

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About the services you receive from this supplier

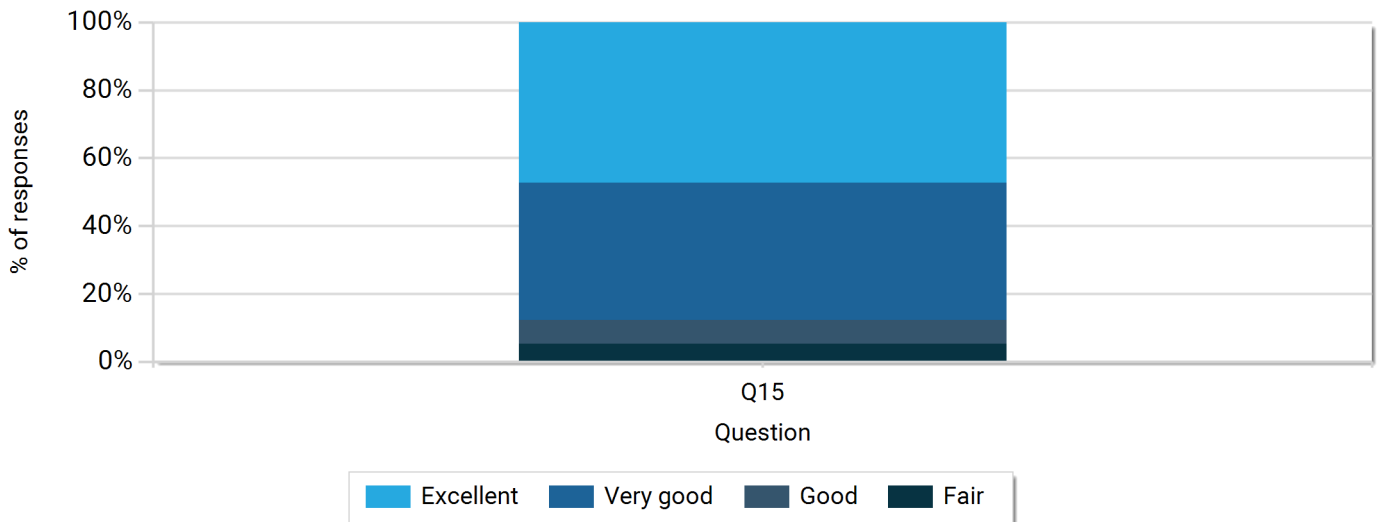
Q15: Taking everything into account - the staff, the information materials, contact options, quality and reliability of delivery and the overall service provided - how would you rate the supplier who sent you this questionnaire?

Table 15.1: Distribution and frequency of ratings (Q15)

	Poor	Fair	Good	Very good	Excellent	Blank / Spoilt
Q15 Overall rating	0	6	8	46	54	0

Blank/spoilt responses are not included in your mean percentage score analysis.

Graph 4: Percentage distribution and frequency of ratings (Q15)



Please note blank/spoilt responses have not been incorporated in this graphical representation.

Table 15.2: Your mean percentage scores and benchmarks

	Your mean score (%)	Benchmark data (%)*				
		Min	Lower Quartile	Median	Upper Quartile	Max
Q15 Overall rating	82	80	82	83	86	93

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Table 15.3 Current and previous mean percentage scores

	Current score	Previous score (December 2020)	Previous score (January 2020)	Previous score (February 2019)
Q15 Overall rating	82	89	90	88

The supplier's premises

Q17a: Have you ever visited the supplier's premises?

Table 17a:

Response	Number of responses	Percentage of responses*
Yes	3	3%
No	111	97%
Blank / Spoilt	0	0%

Q17b: If you have attended the premises of the supplier, how do you rate the cleanliness of the premises?

Table 17b:

Response	Number of responses	Percentage of responses*
Very good	2	67%
Fairly good	0	0%
Don't know	1	33%
Fairly poor	0	0%
Very poor	0	0%
Blank / Spoilt	0	0%

Please note: The data provided in this table is only from those respondents who selected 'Yes' to Q17a.

Q17c: If you have attended the premises of the supplier, how do you rate the suitability for purpose?

Table 17c:

Response	Number of responses	Percentage of responses*
Very good	2	67%
Fairly good	0	0%
Don't know	1	33%
Fairly poor	0	0%
Very poor	0	0%
Blank / Spoilt	0	0%

Please note: The data provided in this table is only from those respondents who selected 'Yes' to Q17a.

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Customer demographics

Q18: Age

Table 18:

Response	Number of responses	Percentage of responses*
16 - 19	0	0%
20 - 24	0	0%
25 - 34	0	0%
35 - 44	3	3%
45 - 54	5	4%
55 - 64	16	14%
65+	87	76%
Blank / Spoilt	3	3%

Q19: Gender

Table 19:

Response	Number of responses	Percentage of responses*
Male	53	46%
Female	57	50%
Blank / Spoilt	4	4%

*Percentages may not add up to 100% due to rounding.

Q20: Which of the following apply to you?

Table 20:

Response	Number of responses	Percentage of responses
You have, or care for, children under 16	6	5%
Carer for someone with a longstanding illness	20	18%
Neither	86	75%

The number of responses for this question may not add up to the total number of customers surveyed as more than one response option can be selected or the question can be left blank. Percentages are of the total number surveyed.

Customer comments

Appendix 1 - Specified other reasons for contacting supplier from question 1:

- Contenance nurse.
- The supplier was contacted by my stoma care nurse.
- Via community stoma nurse.
- Prescription has to go through my GP.
- The Lister Hospital, Stevenage arranged it for me - thank you.
- We haven't contacted you just ordered a prescription via surgery and EPS.

Appendix 2 - Customer comments from question 16 about any of the questions and how the service from this supplier could be improved:

- Up to two years ago your Fittleworth telephone line was brilliant now a nightmare to get through last month three days have been to the doctors in desperation for help. Could you please sort out as soon as possible? I finally collect order at the Waltham Cross/Cheshunt depot, where two members of staff look after me they are lovely cut my pouches for me and process order eventually, can you please sort nightmare and get back to where you were?
- Our doctor's surgery is very poor sending the correct prescription and sending it on time. This has led to a disrupted service. Not Fittleworth's fault.
- Faster delivery.
- It would be useful if the deliverer rang the doorbell when leaving deliveries in the porch I have just started receiving repeat prescriptions and got confusing instructions from the surgery and yourselves.
- Possibly be notified when calling in where you are in the queue.
- It would be easier to order online but I find it very difficult to use the website. The telephone service is excellent but it is difficult to get through.
- Delivery company's condition of goods is poor.
- I would think you should have more phone lines. Or let you know how you are in the queue.
- The service is exceptional and I cannot fault it at all. The staff are very friendly and professional. Delivery service very good. If I've had any problems in the past it has always been dealt with extremely well and the customers' wellbeing is always a top priority. Thank you very much.
- Only been using for about 18 months. Have found them helpful and very reliable at all times.
- My one criticism of Fittleworth is that they take far too long to answer the phone.
- Fittleworth agents are always extremely efficient, polite and cheerful.
- Sometimes getting through on phone only problem. Receptionist very efficient and helpful.
- A rather silly time to ask these questions due to COVID-19. You must be aware of the delays everyone has had to endure in call answering and delivery times. Brexit too has ruined timely ordering of goods too but maybe you do not use supermarkets or have to order medical needs either.
- My only adverse comments is that it is almost impossible to contact my supplier by telephone because of long delays at the switchboard.
- Prescriptions ordered via GP so I deal with Fittleworth very rarely. District nurses discuss availability of product.
- Calls to the Fittleworth service are never answered. The last time I spoke to someone I had been on hold for 45 minutes. The telephone service has become ineffective, to the point of being unfit for purpose (over the last 12 months especially). Emails are my only contact now and they are just about responded to within the 48 hour service level. The quality of service has dropped dramatically and needs to be addressed urgently.
- Some of the questions were not quite clear to me, e.g. is an "appliance" the same as a stoma bag? I have a supply of stoma bags and accessories delivered regularly, so my answers refer to this.
- I have problems with delivery approximately every three months. I have to chase my order. The phone lines are ridiculously busy so I have to email!
- All round friendly, caring service. Very reliable.

Customer comments

- Completely satisfied.
- It takes at least 20 minutes to get through to them on the phone. When I try to order online, my particular pouch is not on their dropdown list and when I type it in nothing happens so I can't continue and have to order by email.
- This year for the first time they have been late in delivering, and I got anxious, I was told they were short of cutters for the flanges. Otherwise they are very good.
- Always helpful, polite, and caring.
- We only have stoma bags and accessories delivered and it is a very good service.
- As a very new client, about four months, the customer services have bent over backwards to ensure we had all supplies, even before prescription received. We can't thank them enough.
- Sometimes I can wait up to an hour to have call answered. Frustrating when you get to low digits on call wait and they suddenly change, i.e. 8th in line then 30th.
- Currently their telephone service is very slow to answer and typically takes 20 minutes to 30 minutes on hold before getting to speak to someone.
- Filled in before I looked at this month's content. When I unpacked I noticed I had been sent the wrong pouches. Also this was the second time your new delivery company had left parcel on doorstep when I was out in full view of anyone passing by, I live on a main road.
- Constantly since start of 2021 the service is much poorer. In 2020, the service was maintained well, but not during 2021. There are repeated errors, omissions, lack of communication, and lack of awareness of the impact of delays for essential appliances (e.g. the actual stoma bags). General delays are understandable; but the way matters are handled is poor. It is very stressful.
- Communication between the GP, district nurses and Fittleworth seems minimal leaving the patient or their family to try to cope with coordinating these seemingly totally separate services.

Supporting documents

Details of score calculation

The score provided for each question in this questionnaire is the mean (average) value of all of the ratings from all customers who completed the question. It is expressed as a percentage - so the best possible score is 100%. Non-rated responses (blank/spoilt or 'Don't Know') are not used in the score calculations. (A blank response is where a customer did not respond to the question and a spoilt response is where more than one tick box option was chosen or the questionnaire was defaced).

Example from your Q4a Polite and took time to understand needs?

Total number of customer responses = 114

Questionnaire rating scale	Very good	Fairly good	Fairly poor	Very poor	Non rated responses
Number of ratings	102	8	0	0	4
Value assigned to each rating	100	66.6666	33.3333	0.00	n/a

$$\frac{(\text{number of Very good ratings} \times 100.00) + (\text{number of Fairly good ratings} \times 66.67) + (\text{number of Fairly poor ratings} \times 33.33) + (\text{number of Very poor ratings} \times 0.00) + (\text{number of Don't know ratings} \times 0)}{(\text{total number of customer responses} - \text{number of Non rated responses})} = \frac{(102 \times 100.00) + (8 \times 66.67) + (0 \times 33.33) + (0 \times 0.00) + (1 \times 0)}{(114 - 4)}$$

Your mean percentage score for Q4a = 98%

The same basic calculation method is used for all the questions where a mean percentage score has been provided, but the values assigned to the ratings will differ depending on the number of rated responses available.

For ease of understanding, below are the details of the values assigned to the ratings in each question where we have provided a mean percentage score:

Q3 - Not at all easy = 0, Fairly easy = 50, Very easy = 100

Q4 - Very good = 100, Fairly good = 66.6666, Fairly poor = 33.3333, Very poor = 0

Q9 - Not at all satisfied = 0, Not very satisfied = 33.3333, Fairly satisfied = 66.6666, Very satisfied = 100

Q15 - Poor = 0, Fair = 25, Good = 50, Very good = 75, Excellent = 100

Explanation of quartiles

In statistics a quartile is any one of the three values that divide data into four equal parts, each part represents ¼ of the sampled population.

Quartiles comprise:

Lower quartile, below which lies the lowest 25% of the data

The median, cuts the data set in half

Upper quartile, above which lies the top 25% of the data

Question	Your mean score (%)	Benchmark data (%)*				
		Min	Lower Quartile	Median	Upper Quartile	Maximum
Q4a Polite and took time to understand needs?	98	94	97	97	98	100

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Dispensing Appliance Contractor Customer Questionnaire

At Fittleworth we are always looking to improve our service. We have decided to take a moment to collect the views of our customers. We will ask about your experience and the services you receive from Fittleworth. We have partnered with CFEP UK Surveys to do this. All responses are anonymous.

To complete the survey, please mark the boxes like this with a blue or black ball-point pen. If you change your mind just cross out your old response and make your new choice. If you are unable to answer a question, or a question doesn't apply to you, please leave it blank. Once the survey is complete, please post it using the pre-paid envelope provided.

Alternatively, if you wish to complete the questionnaire online, a web version can be found at:

This section is about why you contacted your appliance supplier recently and the response you received

Q1 Why did you contact the supplier? To submit an NHS prescription for:

Yourself Someone else Both

For some other reason (please write in the reason for contacting the supplier):

Q2 How do you normally contact your supplier? (Please tick one box only)

Telephone Fax Post
 Email Face to face Internet

Q3 How easy did you find it to contact them?

Not at all easy Fairly easy Very easy

Q4 If you have dealt with the supplier either by telephone, email, or in person, based on your experience of this and other occasions, how would you rate each of the following? (Please tick one box only)

	Very good	Fairly good	Fairly poor	Very poor	Don't know
a) Were they polite and did they take the time to understand your needs?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b) Answering any queries you had	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c) Passing you on to someone who could help	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d) How would you describe their service?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Q5 If you had a prescription dispensed, did the supplier provide you with a written note of the suppliers name, address & telephone number?

Yes No Don't know

This section is about the services you receive from this supplier

Q6 & Q7 are about occasions when the appliance was not available at the time requested.

If this does not apply to you, please move to Q8.

Q6 If there has ever been an occasion when the appliance was not available straightaway (based on your experience of this and other occasions you have used this supplier), please answer the following:

a) Did you receive a written note of the appliance which was owed?

Yes No Don't know

b) If yes, were you informed when it was expected to become available?

Yes No Don't know

Q7 If the appliance was not in stock from the supplier, or if they were not able to provide an appliance customisation on request:

a) Were you asked to agree that they should refer the prescription to someone able to supply the appliance or appliance customisation?

Yes No Don't know

b) If yes, and where you did not agree, did they provide the contact details of at least 2 other suppliers who were able to provide the appliance or appliance customisation?

Yes No Don't know

The next questions are about repeat prescriptions, if this does not apply to you, please move to Q9.

Q8 If you presented a repeat prescription, did the supplier...

a) Check to see if you still needed the appliance?

Yes No Don't know

b) Check that you were satisfied in using the appliance?

Yes No Don't know

c) Check that you were not suffering from problems with the appliance or your stoma treatment?

Yes No Don't know

The next question is about customisation, if your appliance is not customised, please move to Q10.

Q9 If the appliances you receive are customised in any way, how do you rate the overall quality of this service from your supplier?

Not at all satisfied Not very satisfied Fairly satisfied Very satisfied

Q10 Some appliances may be delivered for patient convenience. Suppliers only have to deliver bulky packages, such as catheters. If your product is a bulky product, did the supplier offer to deliver the specified appliance to your home?

Yes No Don't know



The next questions are about appliances which are delivered. If this does not apply to you, please move to Q12

Q11 If your product was delivered...

a) Was the delivery prompt and at a time agreed with you?

Yes No

b) Did the package display any writing or other markings which could indicate its content?

Yes No

c) Did the vehicle in which the package was delivered convey the nature of the contents?

Yes No

d) Did you receive a reasonable supply of supplementary items? (such as disposable wipes and disposal bags)

Yes No

Q12 If the supplier believes it is appropriate to do so, they can offer you an Appliance Use Review (AUR)

a) Have you ever been offered a review (AUR) by your supplier?

Yes No

b) Have you ever been advised by your supplier that they cannot provide this service?

Yes No

c) If yes, did they give you contact details of at least 2 suppliers of appliances or pharmacies, who are able to arrange for the service to be provided?

Yes No

Q13 If you have ever contacted the supplier's telephone care line out of hours....

a) Were they able to provide advice at the time you called?

Yes No Don't know

b) If no, did they provide the telephone number of NHS 111?

Yes No Don't know

Q14 Does the supplier provide a practice leaflet containing....

a) Information about their premises, i.e. opening hours and access for disabled customers?

Yes No Don't know

b) Information about the NHS services that they provide?

Yes No Don't know



Q15 Taking everything into account - the staff, the information materials, contact options, quality and reliability of delivery and the overall service provided - how would you rate the supplier who sent you this questionnaire?

Poor Fair Good Very good Excellent

Q16 If you have any comments about any of the questions above or how the service from this supplier could be improved, please write them in here:

Q17 Have you ever visited the supplier's premises?

Yes No

If you answered yes to Q17, how do you rate the:

	Very good	Fairly good	Don't know	Fairly poor	Very poor
Cleanliness of the premises	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Suitability for the purpose	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

The following questions provide us with general information about the range of people who have responded to this survey. If you would prefer not to answer any of these questions just leave them blank.

Q18 How old are you?

16-19 20-24 25-34 35-44
 45-54 55-64 65+

Q19 Are you:

Male Female

Q20 Which of the following apply to you?

You have, or care for, children under 16
 You are a carer for someone with a longstanding illness or infirmity
 Neither

Thank you for your time and assistance – Please return this questionnaire in the pre-paid envelope provided.

This survey is anonymous and confidential. We do not intend to use the information for any other purpose than reviewing our service.

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