





## Change to Interactive Voice Response (IVR)

A regional Interactive Voice Response (IVR) will shortly be switched on for NHS 111, this change will affect the way Heath Care Professionals (including lab technicians) access 111 on behalf of a patient.

This is to standardise the IVR options across England to deliver a consistent user experience. Where the user calls 111, there will be preset options.

From 10am on 1<sup>st</sup> May 2024 the current star lines will cease to exist and Health Care Professionals will need to instead select 3 for Health Care Professionals; upon selecting 3 there will be 3 options:

- 1. Ambulance Crews (formerly star 5)
- 2. Care homes (formerly star 6)
- 3. Health care professionals (formerly star 7)

The following prompts will be given when you call 111:



There are no other changes to the service; only care homes that have completed an MOU and currently use the star line service are able to access support via 111 select 3.