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We have now added more details about data availability and access in the methods section of the manuscript as requested.

The Health Improvement Network (THIN) is an electronic primary care database containing anonymised patient records from general practices across the UK. [19] THIN data was set up by Cegedim Strategic Data (CSD) Medical Research UK, formerly known as Epidemiology and Pharmacology Information Core (EPIC) and provides data for research purposes. The University of Nottingham has a license to use data from EPIC, subject to approval from the Scientific Review Committee (SRC) which reviews the ethics and research protocol. Ethical approval for the study was obtained from the THIN Scientific Review Committee (reference number 11-047).