Additional points worth considering:

Are there specific patient characteristics the client is interested in?

Epilepsy can start in adulthood, but mostly starts in childhood and is usually not on its own but is related to some other disease.

Therefore, analysing Maternal and Child health parameters of the data and looking for the correlations would be beneficial. Need to choose an indicator which describes overall child health.

Patient satisfaction may be of interest for analysis as it may be that some practices work better and is better service related to more prescriptions?

Quality and Outcomes Framework domains are of interest as good outcomes in epilepsy cannot be achieved without relevant drugs prescribed.

There is epilepsy prevalence in the data!

Considering unemployment indicator as epilepsy patients mostly do not work Long-

Long standing health condition indicator

**Agenda to discuss ahead of the client meeting 13th Jan**

1. **Our views on the research question**

* *How have prescriptions for epilepsy drugs varied over time, and by geographical region, in general practices in England?*

* + *How does the estimated prevalence of epilepsy in each general practice’s population correlate with prescribing patterns?*

* + *Are there any other characteristics of each general practice’s population that are associated with prescribing patterns?*

* + *Have patterns in prescribing changed after: (1) the start of the COVID-19 pandemic, or (2) the NICE 2022 guideline for epilepsy?*

1. **Our views on the data sources**
   * *Open Prescribing for prescription data overall and for specific drugs and groups*
   * *National General Practice Profiles for estimated prevalence of epilepsy and other characteristics of general practices and their populations*

1. **Our views on the scope**

* What can and cannot be reasonably completed in the timeframe and resourcing
  + Agree inclusion and exclusion including:
    - Time period explored
    - Geographical area and granularity e.g. do they need it at practice level or can it be aggregated up?
    - Epilepsy drugs, does the client want to explore them all or whether by branded/generic, patent expiry or by manufacturer?
    - Does the client prefer any of the secondary research questions if we had to prioritise?
  + Agree deliverables and outputs
    - E.g. report could be in Word, PowerPoint or interactive like Excel, R Shiny (I haven’t used this myself) or similar

1. **Our views on potential methodology and ways of working**
   * How to best analyse the data?

                                                    i.     Do we need to agree roles for the meeting tomorrow?

1. **AOB**