

MUNICIPAL YEAR 2014/2015

MEETING TITLE AND DATE
Health and Wellbeing Board
16 October 2014

Dr Mo Abedi, Chair
NHS Enfield CCG
Contact officer and telephone number:
E mail:
Jenny.Mazarelo@enfieldccg.nhs.uk
Tel: 020-3688-2156

Agenda - Part: 1	Item: 7c
Subject: Primary Care Strategy for Enfield	
Wards: All	
Cabinet Member consulted:	
Approved by:	

1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This paper updates the Health and Wellbeing Board on work to date to implement the Primary Care Strategy across the borough of Enfield.

The Primary Care Strategy project team reports jointly to the CCG Primary Care Strategy Implementation Board and the Health and Wellbeing Board.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

The Enfield Health and Wellbeing Board is asked to note the contents of this report.

3. BACKGROUND

The Prevention and Primary Care Strategy (PCS) is one of six major programmes that support the transformation of healthcare in Enfield. Its aim has been to improve access to primary care services, improve patient experience and reduce variation in care for the population of Enfield.

2014/15 is currently anticipated to be the third and final year of the Strategy and as such will look to consolidate the successes of the first two years to ensure on-going sustainability. The main areas of focus will be:

- Integration
- Enhancing and improving health outcomes, access, patient experience and quality.

4.0 Integration

Practices working together in Network(s) are fundamental to securing the future of general practice and achieving improvements in Enfield's primary care.

4.1 Network Development

On 19th June, the CCG launched a Network assurance process. The purpose of Enfield CCG's Network Assurance process was to assess that the following six key deliverables were met:

1. The Network demonstrated an ability to deliver integrated services to a locality population
2. The Network demonstrated an ability in performance management of constituent practices/delivery partners
3. The Network demonstrated sufficient probity and governance
4. The Network demonstrated sufficient resilience and sustainability
5. The Network demonstrated capacity and capability
6. The Network demonstrated strategic fit with the national and CCG direction of travel.

Two pan-Enfield provider organisations have been established:

- Enfield GP Healthcare Network; and
- Enfield Healthcare Alliance.

The robustness of completed questionnaire and accompanying documentation, action plan and response to clarification questions submissions was tested via a panel assurance meeting on 13th August 2014.

As a result, both organisations have been partially assured and it is anticipated that when an ability to deliver integrated services to a locality population has been demonstrated that both will be fully assured.

4.2 Locality Commissioning

As a commissioning organisation, NHS Enfield CCG's constitution states there should be in place four locality groups each chaired by one of the GP Board Members.

The duties and functions of the locality groups are expected to be:

- meet as a minimum four times per year
- the opportunity to consider items requested by the Members and the Governing Body
- the duty to promote innovation in the Locality
- the opportunity to consider and agree locally the best way of utilising support offered by the CCG
- the opportunity to support each other in achieving the aims of the CCG by further risk sharing or sharing of CCG resources etc
- the opportunity to establish their local arrangements for peer reviews
- the opportunity to support each other in achieving improvements in quality and productivity

- the opportunity to agree locally areas of investment where funding is made available by the Governing Body
- the opportunity to put on the agenda for the Governing Body via their Locality Lead items for discussion
- the opportunity to discuss other Locality specific issues

Locality commissioning business meetings, attended by one commissioning representative from each of Enfield's GP practices were re-established in September. Tha Han, Consultant in Public Health Medicine and Naheed Rana, Interim Head of Health Intelligence at LBE have attended to present key themes from the recently available locality profiles at these meetings in order to ensure that each locality and their constituent practices proceeds with a good understanding of the health needs of its population.

5. Co-Commissioning of Primary Care Services

Following the five north central London CCGs (Barnet, Camden, Enfield, Haringey and Islington) submission to NHS England on 20th June in respect of an at scale expression of interest (EOI) in implementing joint commissioning arrangements from November 2014 and delegated commissioning arrangements from April 2016, NHS England confirmed on 1st August that the EOI had been categorised as ready soon. The only Expression of Interest categorised, as 'Ready Now' was the submission made by the CCGs in west London.

The NCL CCGs will continue to work with NHS England's London Area Team to progress the co-commissioning of primary care services.

A Legislative Reform Order has been passed through parliament to enable CCGs to create joint committees with each other and with NHS England from 1st October 2014. This will require the CCG to amend its constitution.

6. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

To update the Health and Well Being Board of the proposed implementation plan for the current and final year of the Primary Care Strategy.

7. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Each year's Primary Care Strategy investment has to date come from an allocation from the NCL risk-share pool. The CCG has now received confirmation that for the current year, the NCL risk-share allocation will be £2m and the CCG's Finance Resource and QIPP Committee approved the plan shared with the Health and Wellbeing Board on 17th July 2014. One recent amendment to this is that NHS England has confirmed that it will not be assuming responsibility for the Minor Ailment Scheme and the CCG will therefore continue to commission this service.

8. CONCLUSION

This report provides an update on progress of the Primary Care Strategy.