

NHS England (West Midlands) Primary Care Update - August 2016

Primary Care Hub Update

The PC Hub team held the first review meeting on 27th July. We have commenced planning for next year based on feedback and will be writing out to all CCGs shortly.

GPFV Programmes

Work is continuing at the Central team in order to maintain the pace of implementation of the GPFV work streams. A number of programmes are currently going through the approval processes and will be disseminated to stakeholders as soon as more information is available.

The General Practice Resilience Programme (GPRP) information has been released and all DCOs have been asked to develop proposals on local implementation bearing in mind specifics of geographies etc.

We have shared the proposals (attached) with CCGs leads and LMCs as per agreed national process and will be continuing discussions with the teams on the best way forward.



PC Commissioning Activity Report

All organisations commissioning Primary Care are required to complete a return via UNIFY to support greater assurance and oversight of NHS England's primary care commissioning responsibilities, and inform the strategic direction for general practice. It seeks to replace what have often been variable and ad hoc requests for information with a more systematic approach. The return is bi-annual

All delegated CCGs need to complete the return; NHSE team will complete the return for all other CCGs.



Primary Care Policy Compliance Stocktake

A stocktake of policy compliance is being undertaken to ensure all commissioning organisations are following official guidance and Regulations. All delegated CCGs need to complete the return.



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PCSE Update

We continue to monitor and receive reports of issues with the new PCSE service. The team have made some progress in a number of areas and there are improvement plans in place for any outstanding issues.

GP Practices and all other key stakeholders receive updates on progress via regular newsletters – latest one attached.



Application for Full Delegation

The deadline for delegated applications is **5 December 2016**. The outcomes of the approvals process will be communicated in January 2017 and the go-live date for new delegated arrangements is 1 April 2017

The central team have updated the full delegation application page for GP Medical services on the Please find the link below:

https://www.england.nhs.uk/commissioning/pc-co-comms/pb-cc-approval/

The application documents will be published on this webpage later this month.

Please can you prepare your CCGs to meet this deadline, with prior approval from the DCO team.

GMS Contract Variations August 2016None