

## JOINT COMMISSIONING COMMITTEE

<b>MEETING DATE:</b>	10th March 2016
<b>AGENDA ITEM NUMBER:</b>	Item 8.0
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### NHS ENGLAND UPDATE

<b>PURPOSE/ACTION REQUIRED:</b>	Items for noting
<b>CONSULTATION AND/OR INVOLVEMENT PROCESS:</b>	
<b>FREEDOM OF INFORMATION:</b>	Public

#### 1. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT:

This report is to update the committee on outstanding matters pertaining to primary medical care within North Lincolnshire.

#### 2. STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES SUPPORTED BY THIS REPORT:

Continue to improve the quality of services	x
Reduce unwarranted variations in services	x
Deliver the best outcomes for every patient	x
Improve patient experience	x
Reduce the inequalities gap in North Lincolnshire	

#### 3. ASSURANCES TO THE JOINT COMMISSIONING COMMITTEE

N/A

#### 4. IMPACT ON RISK ASSURANCE FRAMEWORK:

Yes		No	x
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5. IMPACT ON THE ENVIRONMENT – SUSTAINABILITY:			
Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
6. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:			
Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
7. RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:			
Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
8. EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT:			
Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
9. PROPOSED PUBLIC & PATIENT INVOLVEMENT AND COMMUNICATIONS:			
Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
10. RECOMMENDATIONS:			
<p>The Joint Commissioning Committee is asked to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Note the points below</li> </ul>			



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## **1.Practice Pharmacists scheme**

NHS England, Health Education England, RCGP and the BMAs GP Committee are working with the Royal Pharmaceutical Society on this three year pilot to test the role of clinical pharmacists working in general practice.

Clinical pharmacists work as part of the general practice team to resolve day-to-day medicine issues and consult with and treat patients directly. This includes providing extra help to manage long-term conditions, advice for those on multiple medications and better access to health checks.

Having a clinical pharmacist in GP practices means GPs can focus their skills where they are most needed, for example on diagnosing and treating patients with complex conditions. This will help GPs manage the demands on their time.

Winterton Medical Practice and Trent View Medical Practice in North Lincolnshire have been approved as a pilot site and are in the process of completing the relevant agreements to enable funding to transfer on 13<sup>th</sup> March 2016.

### **Action for the Joint Committee:**

The Joint Committee are asked to note the points above regarding the practice based pharmacists.

## **2. Market Hill Procurement update**

NHS England terminated the APMS contract for the Market Hill 8-8 practice in Scunthorpe on 12<sup>th</sup> January 2016. Since this date, a temporary provider, Core Care Links Ltd have been running the practice via a short term contract agreement.

NHS England has now started a full procurement process to secure longer term arrangements. A new APMS contract for 11 months will be awarded once this process is complete. This is expected to commence on 4<sup>th</sup> March 2016.

### **Action for the Joint Committee:**

The Joint Committee are asked to note the points above regarding the procurement process.

### **3. Vulnerable practices scheme update**

In June 2015 the Secretary for Health announced NHS England would work to develop £10 million programme of support for practices identified in difficulty. Yorkshire and the Humber received £931,347 to use across our region.

NHS England is working with CCGs to identify practices that would benefit from this scheme and to confirm what support might be required. Practices are required to match fund any investment approved by NHS England.

#### **Action for the Joint Committee:**

The Joint Committee are asked to note the point above.