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NHS England Update

Decisions to be made:

• No decisions are required within this update report.

Continue to improve the quality of services	\boxtimes	Improve patient experience			
Reduced unwarranted variations in services	\boxtimes	Reduce the inequalities gap in North Lincolnshire			
Deliver the best outcomes for every patient	\boxtimes	Statutory/Regulatory			

Executive Summary (Question, Options, Recommendations):

This report is to update the Committee on matters pertaining to primary medical care within NHS England.

These being:-

- 1. Practice List Closure Update
 - I. The Birches
- 2. NHS England's revised Policy and Guidance Manual for Primary Medical Services
- 3. Estates, Technology & Transformation Fund (ETTF) Update
- 4. Clinical Pharmacists in General Practice
- 5. International Recruitment Update
- 6. Resilience Fund Update
- 7. Online Consultation Fund

Equality Impact	Yes 🗌 No 🛛	
Sustainability	Yes 🗆 No 🛛	
Risk	Yes 🗌 No 🛛	
Legal	Yes 🛛 No 🛛	
Finance	Yes 🛛 No 🗆	

Patient, Public, Clinical and Stakeholder Engagement to date									
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North Lincolnshire Update

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14th December 2017

1. Practice List Closure Update

There are currently no Practice's within the North Lincolnshire area operating with a closed list;

I. The Birches - list re-opened 01/12/17

The Birches have provided confirmation to NHS England that their patient list reopened on 1st December 2017.

Action for the committee:

The Committee is asked to note this update.

2. <u>NHS England's revised Policy and Guidance Manual for Primary Medical</u> <u>Services</u>

https://www.england.nhs.uk/publication/primary-medical-care-policy-and-guidancemanual-pgm/

The revised policy and guidance manual has been updated to reflect the changing landscape in primary care co-commissioning.

As part of the co-commissioning strategy, as at 1 April 2017, 176 Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs) have responsibility for commissioning and contract monitoring GP services in their locality, with NHS England maintaining overall accountability. Local Offices of NHS England retain responsibility for commissioning and monitoring the performance of GP services for the remaining CCGs.

Recognising the need to strengthen guidance for CCG commissioners, NHS England reviewed its Policy Book and the feedback received since its first publication and has made additions and amendments.

A review of changes and additions made can be found on page 12 of the attached document and briefly comprise;

- Excellent Commissioning/Partnership Working
- General Contract Management
- When Things Go Wrong

Action for the Committee

The Committee is asked to note this update.

3. Estates, Technology & Transformation Fund (ETTF) Update

At the last Primary Care Commissioning Committee meeting, it was agreed that the following schemes would be supported, given that the practices had offered to forego any notional rent reimbursement for a period of 10 years.

- Riverside Brigg
- Riverside Broughton
- Ancora

The PIDs have now been finalised and currently awaiting sign off by the CCG CFO and NHS England Director of Finance before a formal offer of funding is made to the practices.

Additional approaches have been made to NHSE regarding this same offer (foregoing notional rent) including an approach from Cambridge Avenue Practice however, work needs to be undertaken urgently on a strategy to support the development of the primary care estate before any further investment can be considered. Work is currently ongoing to source funding to develop such a strategy.

Action for the Committee

The Committee is asked to note this update.

4. <u>Clinical Pharmacists in General Practice</u>

We are pleased to confirm that the North Lincolnshire application for a Senior Clinical Pharmacist has been approved at the Regional panel on 24th October 2017. The application was submitted by Riverside Surgery although relates to a joint approach by the East Care Network. Work is currently being undertaken in order to agree an employment commencement date.

Action for the Committee

The Committee is asked to note this update.

5. International Recruitment

There are currently two live adverts running. The first is a global advert and the second is Spanish. Of the 60 CV's received only 6 are EU nationals. The remaining 54 have been assessed and retained for a potential phase 3. Work is currently focussed on the completion of a candidate information pack and arranging visits to Spanish Family Medical Congress events.

https://medical.careers.global/job/2654690

https://medical.careers.global/company/2219147/Templars-Medical/

6. <u>Resilience Fund Update</u>

A further meeting of the resilience fund panel was held in early December to review progress of previously approved schemes in order to redirect funds from those schemes that were not going ahead into other bids that were not successful first time around. CCG's were requested to submit their top 3 priority bids for consideration.

The CCG prioritised development work of the 3 network areas and were successful in obtaining the full amount requested.

This is an overview of the total resilience funding (£35k) that has been approved for North Lincolnshire;

- £20k practice mergers
- £2k practice merger discussions
- £4k for EMIS software and Nurse Prescriber course
- £9k network development

Action for the Committee

The Committee is asked to note this update.

7. Online Consultation Fund

The process for agreeing plans for Online Consultation in the North will be led by NHS England's local team, with input and support from NHS England's Patients Online Team, NHS England's regional team and from NHS Digital's Implementation and Business Change Team.

To give the Local team a full awareness of investment proposals across local footprints, STP leads will be asked to provide a full investment plan by **15th December.** All STPs will be asked to explain their intentions. In summary the investment proposals will fall within the following categories:

Cohort 1. – Invested CCGs

Cohort 1. – Early adopters

Cohort 2 – Adopters

- Cohort 3 Follower CCGs
- Cohort 4 Remainder CCGs

Plans will be assessed locally by NHS England and NHS Digital. This is intended to be a light touch process to make sure that the funding delivers tangible benefits for patients and clinicians. In particular we will be looking for assurance that Online Consultation is being considered as part of a wider digital strategy, that a credible procurement plan is in place, and that there is a focus on supporting implementation of new systems so that there is a good level of uptake by both practices and patients.

The allocation for North Lincolnshire CCG has been confirmed as £43,224.45 in 2017/18. Further years allocations have not yet been confirmed however, based on National allocation, it is estimated that this could be £57.5k in 2018/19 and £28.5k in 2019/20. Work is currently ongoing with practices to formulate a plan for potentially utilising online consulting in one network area so this can be fully tested before rolling out further if this is successful.