

GOVERNING BODY MEETING

26 November 2014

Agenda Item 2.1

Report Title	Chief Officer Report
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Purpose of report

To provide the Governing Body with an update on national, regional and local developments pertinent to the provision of care in Eastern Cheshire and to discharging the statutory duties of the CCG.

Key points

Governing Body meeting (in private) – October 2014

- NHS 111 Service – North West Procurement
- Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND) Reforms
- Cheshire Mental Health Concordat

Executive Team Update

- Elective Care Any Qualified Provider process
- Independent Domestic Violence Advisor (IDVA)
- Age Related Macular Degeneration (AM) Procurement
- Approval of Tier 3 weight management services

Chief Officer briefing

- Industrial Action
- Cheshire East Health and Wellbeing Board - November 2014
- Better Care Fund plan approval

The Governing Body is asked to:

Approve		Decide	
Ratify		Note for information	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Endorse			

Benefits / value to our population / communities

Improved accessible services for our patients and public

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Chief Officer

Chief Officer Report

1. **NHS Eastern Cheshire Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) Governing Body Meetings (held in private) – October 2014– report on decisions made**
 - 1.1 **The procurement of the NHS 111 service.** The procurement of the NHS 111 service (single telephone number for advice on urgent but not emergency medical issues) is a nationally mandated process. CCGs have the choice of procuring the service at a local level or over a larger footprint. All North West CCGs have been asked to commit to a joint procurement, with emphasis on local options. Refinement of a Local Directory of Services will be the means of directing patients to the most appropriate point of assistance for their need.
 - 1.2 On the basis that the CCG will continue to seek delivery of person-centred care through local solutions for more coordinated integrated contact points, the Governing Body ratified the CCG's participation in the joint procurement process for NHS 111 Services in the North West.
 - 1.3 **Transfer of Continuing Healthcare (CHC) Services to the CCG.** The Governing Body received an update on progress withdrawing CHC services from the North West Commissioning Support Unit, approved appointment of NHS South Cheshire CCG as the host of the service across Cheshire, and agreed to delegate implementation of the transfer of the service to the Chief Finance Officer.
 - 1.4 **Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND) Reforms within the Children & Families Act 2014.** The Governing Body received a report on changes to legislation aimed at ensuring greater involvement of those with special educational needs in arrangements made for them and indicating new statutory duties imposed on CCGs and Local Authorities in producing 'a local offer'. The Governing Body approved for publication the SEND strategy and Personal Budget Statement, developed with the Local Authority.
 - 1.5 **Cheshire wide Mental Health Concordat.** The CCG had received a request from the Chair of the Pan Cheshire Strategic Mental Health Board seeking support for the Cheshire wide Mental Health Concordat. This is part of a national initiative setting out core principles and a country-wide plan to improve mental health care. Each region is asked to sign a local declaration and develop an action plan as part of a national joint statement published by the Government and signed by senior representatives from organisations committed to improving mental health care. The Governing Body approved the CCG's commitment to the concordat, to improving outcomes for those experiencing a mental health crisis, and to achieving parity of esteem for all citizens who need access to mental health care. This commitment has been communicated to the Chair of the Pan Cheshire Strategic Mental Health Board.

2. Executive Team Meetings - decisions made

- 2.1 **Elective Services AQP Process.** In June 2014 NHS Eastern Cheshire CCG, along with seven peer CCGs from Cheshire and Merseyside, reopened an Any Qualified Process (AQP) competition window in order to allow suitably qualified organisations to apply to be registered as NHS registered providers of a number of Elective Services to our population(s).
- 2.2 This AQP window related to a process which originated from North West PCTs three years ago. In line with good procurement practice windows should be reopened at regular intervals. By working with our peer CCGs the resources required to comply with this best practice requirement to reopen competition windows was limited.
- 2.3 One bid submission was received for Eastern Cheshire CCG from an organisation based in one of our neighbouring CCG localities. This same organisation also made bids to a number of other CCGs. The bid was declined as they did not provide sufficient evidence as to their ability to deliver the service as outlined in the specification and achieve the outcomes required. The bidder has been notified of the CCG intention not to award them an AQP contract.
- 2.4 **Independent Domestic Violence Advisor (IDVA)** –£16,000 non-recurrent pilot service was approved for Macclesfield District General Hospital.
- 2.5 **Age Related Macular Degeneration (AM) Procurement.** Following a procurement exercise, the Executive Team was asked to review a summary together with options for award of contract. With the agreement of Procurement advice, it was agreed to award contracts to four providers, who all provide AMD services to other areas. The four providers are:
- East Cheshire NHS Trust
 - Eyecare medical limited
 - Mid Cheshire Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust
 - BMI Healthcare (Alexandra Hospital)
- 2.6 As the Governing Body is aware there has been wide spread consultation in developing the service specification, including with HealthVoice, clinicians and the local Macular Society. The new specification is based around best practice guidance from NICE and the Royal College of Ophthalmologists.
- 2.7 Contracts are expected to be finalized by the end of November 2014. With implementation plans agreed with each provider. **Decision to be ratified by the Governing Body**
- 2.8 **Tier 3 intervention for patients who require weight management provision.** The Executive Team approved the commissioning of a fully complaint Tier 3 intervention pre-surgical counselling service (adding psychology input and MDT assessment) for

patients who require weight management intervention. We expect this service to be fully up and running early next year.

3. Chief Officer Briefing

- 3.1 The Governing Body is asked to note that on the 24th November 2014 Unions have called members to take part in further industrial action in the form of a stoppage of work from 7am to 11am. Whilst the CCG has reviewed and sought assurance from NHS providers regarding their business continuity plans, it is inevitable that some disruption may occur. Further industrial action is planned for the 27th to 30th November inclusive.
- 3.2 Agenda and papers from the Health & Wellbeing Board meeting on the 18th November 2014 are available via: http://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/council_and_democracy/your_council/health_and_wellbeing_board.aspx.
- 3.3 The board received presentations on the Director of Public Health's Annual report which this year has a specific focus on the health and wellbeing of Children and Young people in Eastern Cheshire. On a related topic, Cheshire East Council presented its 2014-18 Children and young people's plan.
- 3.4 An presentation was made by the Cheshire Constabulary on the Mental Health Street Triage scheme. This scheme has been endorsed by the Cheshire Leadership forum and recently successfully piloted in Warrington. The scheme is being rolled out in Cheshire East from the 16th November 2014 and provides a clinical triage aimed at reducing the number of Section 136 referrals.
- 3.5 NHS England has advised that, following the Nationally Consistent Assurance Review (NCAR) process, provided there is no material change in circumstance and the 2015/16 Mandate is published as expected, THE Cheshire East Better Care Fund (BCF) plan will be classified as '**Approved with Support**' once the 2015/16 Mandate has been published. This category means that the BCF plan will be approved and the BCF funding will be made available to Cheshire East subject to the following standard conditions which apply to all BCF plans:
 - That agreed actions from the NCAR are completed in the timescales agreed with NHS England;
 - The Fund being used in accordance with the final approved plan and through a section 75 agreement;
 - The full value of the element of the Fund linked to non-elective admissions reduction target will be paid over to CCGs at the start of the financial year. However, CCGs may only release the full value of this funding into the pool if the admissions reduction target is met as detailed in the BCF Technical Guidance. If the target is not met, the CCG(s) may only release into the pool a part of that funding proportionate to the partial achievement of the target. Any part of this funding that is not released into the pool due to the target not being met must be dealt with in accordance with NHS England requirements.

3.6 NHS England confirmed that there were no areas of high risk in the plan and as such the partners should progress towards implementation. Although the areas of support the review identified are essential to successful delivery in the medium term NHS England did not consider them as material at this stage.

4. Access to further information

4.1 For further information relating to this report contact:

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Governance

Prior Committee Approval / Link to other Committees	
Governing Body Meetings held in private – October 2014	
Executive Team Meetings October and November	

CCG Five Year Strategic Plan programme of work this report is linked to			
Caring Together		Quality Improvement	
Mental Health & Alcohol	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

CCG Five Year Strategic Plan ambitions addressed by this report			
Increase the number of our citizens having a positive experience of care	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Increase the proportion of older people living independently at home and who feel supported to manage their condition	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Reduce the inequalities in health and social care across Eastern Cheshire	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Improve the health-related quality of life of our citizens with one or more long term conditions, including mental health conditions	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Ensure our citizens access care to the highest standard and are protected from avoidable harm	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Secure additional years of life for the citizens of Eastern Cheshire with treatable mental and physical health conditions	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Ensure that all those living in Eastern Cheshire should be supported by new, better integrated community services	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		

Key Implications of this report – please indicate			
Strategic	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Consultation & Engagement	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Finance	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Equality	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Quality & Patient Experience	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Legal	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Staff / Workforce			

CCG Values supported by this report – please indicate			
Valuing People	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Innovation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Working Together	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Quality	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Investing Responsibly	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		

NHS Constitution Values supported by this report – please indicate			
Working together for patients	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Compassion	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Respect and dignity	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Improving lives	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Commitment to quality of care	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Everyone counts	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

