

Board
PART I
24th August 2016

Title of Report:	Primary Care Update	
Board Sponsor:	Mandy Ansell (Acting) Interim Accountable Officer	
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Committees previous consulted:	Primary Care Committee	
Executive Summary:	<p>This paper aims to appraise the board on the various initiatives that the team are involved in.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General Practice Support & Development • Local Enhanced Service development • Primary care hubs • Primary care workforce • GP five year forward view • Shehadeh medical centre • Local Digital Road Map • Estates and Technology Transformation Fund 	
Financial / Resource Implications:	None	
Fit with CCG strategy/objectives:	Yes fits with the CCG's wider Commissioning Strategy and transformational programme	
Risks identified / Outcome / Link to BAF:	Primary Care	BAF Ref: QPS04/PC01
Actions Required:	Noting	When By:
Recommendation to the Committee:	The Board is asked to note the contents within the report.	

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1) General Practice Support, Development and training

This is an on-going piece of work; the team is working closely with NHS E and a few practices that have been put on special measures by CQC.

The team has developed a self-assessment tool for practices that have not been visited by the CQC. The tool will be shared with the practices to allow them identify any gaps and make them CQC ready. Steve Field (Chief CQC inspector for General practices) has been invited to meet the CCG executives and primary care team to discuss ways in which general practices could be supported in Thurrock. The meeting has been scheduled for 25th October 2016.

2) Local Enhanced Service (LES) development.

Bids have been evaluated and a paper is being taken through the various subcommittees with the recommendations. Outcome will be communicated with the bidders in September 2016.

3) Primary care Hubs.

The extended hours Saturday and Wednesday pilot has concluded. Based on the findings hub opening hours and days have been revised and communicated with the practices.

NHS111 directly bookable appointments into the hubs went live this month. This service will be evaluated in November 2016 to ascertain its effectiveness. Discussions are underway with the hospital around A&E directly bookable appointments in the hubs where appropriate. The hub will be engaging with the practices around diagnostics being organised for patients seen at the hubs.

4) Work force development.

CCG in collaboration with the other Essex CCGs and NHS E is working to recruit EU GPs to address the immediate work force shortfall. One of the Thurrock practices has been shortlisted to be a pilot site before wider roll out.

CCG is also working on a business case to bulk buy training courses for practice managers and reception staff to up skill and standardise skills set across the 32 practices.

5) GP Five Year Forward View.

The team attended the above workshop last month and have invited a member of the national team to do a presentation at the CCG's CEG informing memberships around changes/developments that are expected in the near future

6) Shehadeh Medical Centre.

Following a procurement round College Health have been appointed to deliver primary care services for both the Tilbury and Grays list size in the interim basis for a period of 12 months.

7) Local Digital Road map (LDR).

The first draft of the pan Essex LDR was submitted on 30th June 2016, with the final draft to be submitted alongside STP in September/October 2016. The feedback received on the first draft has been positive with some areas needing further development and this is being addressed by the LDR working group.

8) Estates and Technology Transformation Fund (ETTF)

The bids from the practices and the CCG have been submitted outcomes will be communicated by the end of August 2016.