

CCG Board
PART I
MEETING ON 28th October 2015

Title of Report:	Emergency Planning, Resilience and Response (EPRR) Strategy
Board Sponsor:	Mandy Ansell, (Acting) Interim Accountable Officer
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Committees previous consulted:	Audit Committee 18 th September 2015
Executive Summary:	<p>The Civil Contingencies Act 2004 (CCA) delivers a single, framework for the provision of civil protection in the UK. The principle objectives of the Act are to ensure consistency of planning across all government departments and its agencies, whilst setting clear responsibilities for frontline responders.</p> <p>From April 2013 EPRR responsibilities transferred to NHS England (Category 1 responder) and clinical commissioning groups (Category 2 responder), Local Health Resilience Partnerships (LHRPs) became the forum for coordination, joint working and planning for EPRR across all relevant health bodies.</p> <p>Essex Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs) are defined as Category 2 responders under the Civil Contingencies Act 2004 (Contingency Planning) Regulations 2005, meaning that there is a duty to cooperate and share information with the Category 1 responders.</p> <p>The Health and Social Care Act 2012 defines statutory responsibilities, specifically including Emergency Preparedness, Resilience and Response, for Directors of Public Health, NHS England, Clinical Commissioning groups and providers of NHS funded care</p> <p>In addition to the duties contained within the Civil Contingencies Act, all Essex CCGs recognise their EPRR responsibilities as detailed within section 46 of the Health and Social Care Act 2012 (H&SCA) and will, in partnership with their commissioned services meet this responsibility through:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Building upon the existing strengths of current multi-agency coordination, and co-operation which includes local NHS Trusts and other Category 1 Responders. ▪ Ensuring that responsibilities of the Local Health Resilience Partnerships enhance any response to emergency arrangements, both during the response and recovery phase. ▪ Fully integrating with partner agencies emergency arrangements, in supporting both the Acute Trust receiving hospitals and delivering primary healthcare directly within the community. ▪ Reviewing the state of readiness and operability to extend further the

	<p>capability to handle different types and magnitude of threats.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Ensuring that plans for business continuity are in place. ▪ Engendering a culture within each CCG to make emergency preparedness an intrinsic element of management and operations. <p>In addition to meeting legislative duties, Essex CCGs are required to comply with guidance and framework documents, including but not limited to;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ NHS England Emergency Planning Framework 2013; ▪ NHS England Core Standards for Emergency Preparedness, Resilience and Response 2013; ▪ NHS England Command and Control Framework 2013 ▪ NHS England Business Continuity Management Framework (January 2013) ▪ NHS Standard Contract (Service condition 30) ▪ NHS England Operating Framework – Response to Pandemic Influenza ▪ PAS 2015: Framework for health services resilience 2010 <p>This is achieved through the publication, testing and exercising of plans for key services as agreed by the Essex CCG Executive Boards/Governing Bodies.</p> <p>The attached EPRR Strategy sets out the arrangements in place for EPRR across the Essex CCG to enable each of the CCG to comply with the legislative framework set out above.</p> <p>In the meantime the CCG is working with the Emergency Planning team (hosted by Mid Essex CCG) to update its Business Continuity Plans following ratification of this strategy.</p>	
Financial / Resource Implications:	None	
Fit with CCG strategy/objectives:	Establish and operate appropriate integrated governance arrangements to enable not only compliance with legislation and regulation, but to facilitate all appropriate partnership arrangements to deliver the CCG vision of an integrated health and care system operating close to home.	
Risks identified / Outcome / Link to BAF:	Currently, no specific risk	BAF Ref:
Actions Required:	Complete Business Impact Analysis across the CCG to develop an updated CCG Business Continuity Plan.	When By: November 2015
Recommendation to the Committee:	The Board are asked to approve the attached EPRR Strategy.	

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