

## General Practice Association (GPA) Development Programme Update and GPA Support to Care Planning

Governing Body meeting

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Key messages	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The three workshops pertaining to GPA Development Programme have now been completed</li> <li>The third workshop held in November was a well attended and vibrant meeting providing the opportunity to continue discussions around GPA governance, the process for delivering a potential 'basket of services' approach and likely provider responses, followed by a discussion on the potential benefits of establishing a city-wide GPA group.</li> </ul>	
Assurance Framework (AF)	
<p><b>Assurance Framework Number 4.5</b></p> <p><b>How does this paper provide assurance to the Governing Body that the risk is being addressed?</b>  Governing Body can be assured that discussions are ongoing and potential risks are being appropriately assessed.</p> <p><b>Is this an existing or additional control:</b>  Additional</p>	
Equality/Diversity Impact	
<p><b>Has an equality impact assessment been undertaken?</b> No</p> <p><b>Which of the 9 Protected Characteristics does it have an impact on?</b> None</p>	
Public and Patient Engagement	
Not applicable at this stage	
Recommendations	
The Governing Body is asked to note the contents of this paper.	

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### **1. Introduction**

This paper provides Governing Body with an update on the progress made at the third and final GP Association Development Workshop held in November.

### **2. Context**

At previous meetings, Governing Body has been advised of the proposed GP Association Development Programme which comprised three workshops held between September and November 2013.

The programme represented an initial attempt to enable GPAs and the CCG to engage in discussion around the potential for GPAs, and for Primary Care to develop a provider response to the CCG's commissioning intentions, in a way which both supports the wider integration agenda within Sheffield and which recognises the rules relating to Choice and Competition.

### **3. Workshop Summary**

The workshop was extremely well attended with a total of 35 attendees.

- North ( 3 GPs / 5 PMs)
- Central (4 GPs / 6 PMs)
- West (4 GPs / 5 PMs)
- HASC (4 GPs / 7 PMs)

The first half of the session gave GPAs and the CCG the chance to update each other on progress made following the previous workshop. The GPAs gave feedback on discussions taking place around securing universal coverage for delivery of a potential primary care 'basket of services'. Debate and discussion continues and, whilst GPAs highlighted that this is not without challenges, there remains a positive view across all GPAs that universal coverage can be secured. For this to happen, GPAs asked for a draft 'basket' to be shared as soon as possible, - with a recognition that this is likely to be an iterative process with a number of drafts being shared over the next few months – so that discussions can continue with practices on a more practical basis.

This session also gave CCG colleagues the opportunity to present the process relating to our commissioning intentions for 2014/15 and beyond, and for GPAs to understand the complexity of this process.

The group then received a presentation from the Right First Time (RFT) Programme Manager on the intention for Phase 3 of the programme to be more primary care facing in terms of wraparound services to practices and/or GPAs. There was also an offer from RFT to

help support GPAs in developing their understanding and knowledge base around how to respond to the market and whether there is an opportunity for the city's providers to work in a more cohesive manner in this regard. RFT are keen to support the primary care provider function as it moves into Phase 3 of its programme.

The final part of the workshop gave GPAs the opportunity to consider four key elements of moving forward:

- To explore whether each GPA should consider developing a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to help secure the GPA leadership mandate;
- To consider whether a city-wide group of the GPA leads should be developed;
- To identify any potential training needs practices/GPAs might need to develop in order to be able to respond to the market;
- If GPAs were to enter into collaborative arrangements with other providers, to determine what they might require from such collaboration.

#### **4. Next Steps**

Following the group feedback the following next steps were agreed:

- The CCG to explore how a template for a GPA Memorandum of Understanding might be developed;
- The CCG to share with GPAs as soon as practically possible the potential content of a basket of services from 2014/15, recognising that this will be an iterative process;
- All to consider how the market response training and development needs identified by GPAs might be further progressed;
- All to consider how a city-wide group representing the GPAs and, in particular linking with the RFT agenda, can be developed;
- The CCG to convene a further update session in January to enable feedback on discussions regarding universal coverage of the basket of services and progress on the CCG's commissioning intentions.

#### **5. Recommendation**

Governing body is asked to note the content of this paper.

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