

Accountable Officer's Report

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Governing Body Meeting

4 July 2013

1. NHS Confederation Conference 2013

This year's conference, Sir David Nicholson's final one as Chief Executive of NHS England, had three key themes;

- High Quality Services for all
- Integrating our services
- Leadership for the future

Mike Farrar, Chief Executive of the Confederation, set out four key ingredients for the NHS to achieve its outcomes and offer highest quality care;

1. A clear strategy for the future - one that moves money into the community to relieve pressures on hospitals.
2. Changing behaviours and financial flows - "Money should always follow the patient", he said, and the health service needs to define how it wants competition to work
3. A learning environment - a clear need for a change in the NHS, saying the service needs a new learning environment where people can learn from failure without fear of reprisal
4. Leadership is the answer to quality - not an over-reliance on inspections and regulation post-Francis – he stressed the importance of local leadership.

2. NHS Urgent Care Strategy

Following the announcement of the Urgent Care Review at the start of the year, June saw the release of the emerging principles and evidence base from the steering group working on this. The four key principles set out for consultation are;

1. Provides consistently high quality and safe care, across all seven days of the week;
2. Is simple and guides good choices by patients and clinicians;
3. Provides the right care in the right place, by those with the right skills, the first time;
4. Is efficient in the delivery of care and services.

The review is on our main agenda later for consideration and comment.

3. Programme Director for Primary Care Strategy

I am pleased to advise the Governing Body that after an open selection process, we have appointed Katrina Cleary as the Programme Director for the CCG on an 18 months fixed

term appointment to oversee the development of our primary care strategy and the commissioning framework to deliver it. Katrina has been the Locality Manager for the Hallam and South Locality (HASL) of the CCG and so is very familiar with the issues that we as a CCG need to respond to. The role is city-wide, reporting to myself, and will rely greatly on all stakeholders feeling actively engaged in this strategy development. Obviously we will need to ensure Katrina's current responsibilities to HASL are appropriately re-allocated and I will work hard with the Locality Executive Group in HASL to do just that.

4. Integration of Health and Care

As Governing Body members will be aware, we have been discussing the challenges and options for improving integration of services for patients in Sheffield. Our work on Right First Time has set out a collective vision for how our health and care providers can work more across pathways of care. We have considered that this outcome can be achieved more effectively with greater integration of health and care commissioning, and with our colleagues at Sheffield City Council have proposed a programme of work to achieve this. This will be discussed in more detail today on our agenda.

5. Recommendation

The Governing Body is asked to endorse the report.

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