

Accountable Officer's Report

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Governing Body meeting

7 November 2013

1. Yorkshire Ambulance Service (YAS) Contract Support

The 999 and 111 services provided by YAS are in the main provided to the collaboration of CCGs through the South and West Yorkshire and Bassetlaw Commissioning Support Unit (CSU). In conversation with colleagues across the CCGs and the CSU we have seconded Daniel Mason, Senior Commissioning Manager to the CSU to support the negotiation of the 2014/15 contract. Daniel's responsibilities at the CCG will be covered by Anne Dray who is working with the CCG for the remainder of the financial year.

2. Alex Morton NHS England Director for Commissioning Systems and Strategy

The Commissioning Executive Team hosted Alex Morton at a recent meeting. This was in part initiated by NHS England who were keen to let Alex see CCGs across the country, to discuss the challenges they are responding to and the ways in which they are setting clinical commissioning strategies. The session was helpful and Alex will feedback to NHS England on our discussions.

3. GPA Development Session 2

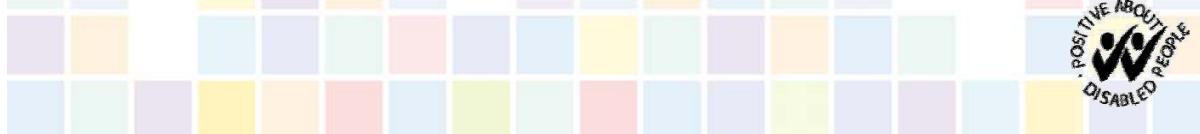
Katrina Cleary, Paul Wike and myself hosted the second of three sessions to support our GPAs in responding to the likely commissioning priorities and national context of the call to action for primary care. The output of the session is on the agenda later.

4. National Information Governance Programme Board

I attended this Programme Board two weeks ago as a CCG representative, alongside NHS England, Health and Social Care Information Centre and CSU Units. The Programme Board is tasked to address the issues of sharing Patient Confidential Data in the new commissioning system and in line with the recommendations of Caldicott. Progress appears to have been made and further national guidance is likely to be issued shortly to help CCGs in particular reconcile contract activity.

5. Best Start Sheffield

I attended the inaugural Partnership Board for overseeing the development of the Lottery Bid during October. This Partnership Board will have the responsibility to make sure that Sheffield's bid is successful and provide the necessary cross organisational governance that will be required to discharge the ambitions of the



programme. A paper setting out more detail and our own proposed delegated responsibilities to support effective decision making is set out later in the agenda.

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