

Accountable Officer's Report

Governing Body meeting

Item 13b

3 April 2014

1. Q3 CCG Assurance Meeting with NHS England

On 21 March members of the Commissioning Executive Team attended the quarterly assurance process with the Area Team. It was a constructive session, far removed from the previous system's "performance management" meetings. There was an open conversation on how we best address together the development of primary care to enable it to respond to increasing demand and its centrality in the long term plan of the CCG.

We have not received the formal response of the meeting as yet, but we are confident it will be a further positive assurance with no development or support needs identified.

2. Right First Time

At its programme board meeting on 14 March, there was agreement to move to phase 3 of the health and care system transformation programme. Phase 3 will be characterised by concentrating our work on the development of integrated community and primary care alternatives to traditional hospital based care. There will be an emphasis on enabling health and care providers to work more together to join services up for citizens and patients and respond in a more allied form to the commissioner requirements.

3. Transfer of Staff from Commissioning Support Service

As I reported last month, the movement of staff from the CSU following our agreement to return some services from the CSU to the CCG is going well. The Medicines Management and Primary Care Development Nurses have had a workshop with the CCG team to look at the forward work plan and address any issues arising from the transfer. The mood is positive with feedback suggesting that the bringing together of the team is viewed as beneficial to the service offer going forward.

4. Recommendations

The Governing Body is asked to receive and note this report.

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