

	<p align="center">London Borough of Hammersmith & Fulham</p> <p align="center">HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD 8th September</p>
<p>PRIMARY CARE COMMISSIONING IN LONDON BOROUGH OF HAMMERSMITH AND FULHAM</p>	
<p>Report of NHS England</p>	
<p>Open Report</p>	
<p>Classification: For Discussion Key Decision: No</p>	
<p>Wards Affected: All</p>	
<p>Accountable Executive Director: N/A</p>	
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1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1.1. This report sets out the role and responsibilities of NHS England (NHSE) and others in primary care commissioning and asks the Health and Wellbeing Board to consider how they should seek to support and influence primary care commissioning to ensure that it reflects current and future local need.
- 1.2. This report also includes information on the quality of primary care within the London Borough of Hammersmith and Fulham

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1. It is recommended that the Health and Wellbeing Board review and consider the three attachments to this paper relating to the commissioning, and quality, of local primary care services and consider:
 - a.) how the Health and Wellbeing Board should seek to support and influence primary care commissioning to ensure it reflects local need, when exercising their role in providing local system leadership.
 - b.) Whether the Health and Wellbeing Board can work with NHSE and CCGs to monitor and improve the quality of primary care

c.) how to maximise the opportunities that might be available through the introduction of co-commissioning of primary care services between NHSE and CCGs

3. REASONS FOR DECISION

- 3.1. The Health and Social Care Information Centre suggests that around 90% of patient interaction is with primary care services. As such, access to good quality, primary care is absolutely central to improving the health outcomes for our local population and to the deliverability of our key local system change programmes such as Shaping a Healthier Future, whole systems integration and the Better Care Fund Plan.

4. INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

- 4.1. Primary care services are many people's first point of contact with the NHS. The main source of primary health care is general practice, but primary care also includes dental practice, community pharmacy and high street optometrists.
- 4.2. The Health and Social Care Act 2012 made a number of changes to the way that primary care is commissioned. Since April 2013, NHSE has been solely responsible for the commissioning of primary care services. Clinical Commissioning Groups have a responsibility to help improve the quality of primary care services

5. PROPOSAL AND ISSUES

- 5.1. The PowerPoint presentation attached at Appendix 1 to this report set out more information about how primary care commissioning is undertaken by NHSE and what future changes might look like. It also considers how NHSE engages with the local health and care system and what work will be underway in 2014/15.
- 5.2. The reports attached Appendices 2 and 3 provide information on the current quality of primary care services in Hammersmith and Fulham

6. OPTIONS AND ANALYSIS OF OPTIONS

- 6.1. Health and Wellbeing Boards, as local system leaders, should develop strong relationships with NHSE to help ensure that primary care services within their area align with the needs of residents and local system change. The report attached at Appendix 1 will provide an opportunity for the Health and Wellbeing Board to consider how it may support NHSE better to ensure that the provision and quality of local primary care is aligned with the need of the local population and that it reflects local system change.

7. CONSULTATION

7.1. N/A

8. EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS

8.1. N/A

9. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

9.1. N/A

10. FINANCIAL AND RESOURCES IMPLICATIONS

10.1. N/A

11. RISK MANAGEMENT

11.1. N/A

12. PROCUREMENT AND IT STRATEGY IMPLICATIONS

12.1. N/A

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 2000
LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS USED IN PREPARING THIS REPORT

No.	Description of Background Papers	Name/Ext of holder of file/copy	Department/ Location
1.			

LIST OF APPENDICES:

Appendix 1: A PowerPoint Presentation from NHS England: London Primary Care Commissioning

Appendix 2: A PowerPoint presentation report from NHS England on the quality of primary care in the London Borough of Kensington and Chelsea

Appendix 3: A report from Tri-borough Adult Social Care Business Intelligence on acute and GP services within the London Borough of Hammersmith and Fulham