

Primary Care Commissioning Committee

Date of meeting	25 June 2020		
Agenda item	6	Paper No	PCCC20/039

Primary Care Operational Report

Key issues	<p>NHS West Hampshire CCG received approval by NHS England for delegated primary care commissioning arrangements from 1 April 2015.</p> <p>The attached report details requested contractual changes.</p> <p>South West</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> to approve the award of a GMS contract to the Hedge End Medical Centre to commence from 1 October 2020 to approve the removal of Dr Nicolas Arney from New Horizons Medical Partnership PMS agreement.
Strategic objectives / perspectives	<p>This paper addresses the following CCG strategic objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensure system financial sustainability Ensure safe and sustainable high quality services Work in partnership to commission health and social care collaboratively Establish local delivery systems Develop the CCG workforce
Actions requested / recommendation	<p>The Primary Care Commissioning Committee is asked to note the Primary Care Operational Report and:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> to approve the award of a GMS contract to the Hedge End Medical Centre to commence from 1 October 2020 to approve the removal of Dr Nicolas Arney from New Horizons Medical Partnership PMS agreement.
Principal risk(s) relating to this paper	<p>The risks in relation to this paper are contained within the report.</p>
Other committees / groups where evidence supporting this paper has been considered	<p>None</p>

Financial and resource implications / impact	The financial impacts are included in the paper
Legal implications / impact	There are no legal implications arising from this paper.
Data protection impact assessment required?	Not required
Public / stakeholder involvement – activity taken or planned	Not required
Equality and diversity – implications / impact	All WHCCG patients will continue to be able to access local general medical services provision.
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Date of paper	23 June 2020

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Contractual Issues

1. CCG Wide

1.1 Hedge End Medical Centre Request for a GMS contract

Hedge End Medical Centre (patient registered list of 16,639) has submitted an application to the CCG to transfer from a Primary Medical Services (PMS) agreement to a General Medical Services (GMS) contract. The practice has concluded that following the removal of the PMS Premium there was no longer any material benefit to holding a PMS rather than a GMS agreement.

A contractor holding a PMS agreement for the provision of “essential services,” has the right to a GMS contract in accordance with Regulation 19 of the PMS Regulations which state:

"A contractor which is providing essential services and which wishes a general medical services contract to be entered into pursuant to this regulation shall notify [the Commissioner] in writing at least three months before the date on which it wishes the GMS contract to be entered into."

The notice provided by the practice must include:

- Three months' notice of the transfer
- Names of the contractors wishing to enter into the GMS contract
- Confirmation that the persons named meet the conditions set out in section 86 of the NHS Act (persons eligible to enter into GMS contracts).

Hedge End Medical Centre has requested to transfer to a GMS contract on 1 October 2020 to be held by the GP partners of the practice.

In order to approve the transfer, NHS West Hampshire CCG must be satisfied that the parties to the agreement are eligible to enter into a GMS contract and are providing essential medical services. These requirements have been met.

Recommendation:

The Primary Care Commissioning Committee is asked to approve the award of a GMS contract to the Hedge End Medical Centre to commence from 1 October 2020.

1.2 New Horizons Medical Partnership PMS Partner Removal

PMS agreements, unlike GMS contracts, require a commissioner decision regarding variation and continuation of the agreement when an individual contractor wishes to be removed from, or added to the agreement.

New Horizons Medical Partnership has requested that the Primary Care Commissioning Committee approve the removal of Dr Nicolas Arney on 17 February 2020 from the list of contractors in the PMS agreement held with the CCG due to his retirement from the partnership.

It is recommended that the deletion of Dr Nicolas Arney to the list of individuals holding the PMS agreement is approved.

Recommendation:

The Primary Care Commissioning Committee is asked to approve the removal of Dr Nicolas Arney from New Horizons Medical Partnership PMS agreement.

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