

<b>9 May 2013</b>	<b>ITEM: 8</b>
<b>Thurrock Health and Well-Being Board</b>	
<b>NHS ENGLAND DRAFT ESSEX WIDE PRIMARY CARE STRATEGY</b>	
<b>Report of: Carolyn Larsen, Head of Primary Care, NHS England Essex Area Team</b>	
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<b>This report is public</b>	
<b>Purpose of Report:</b> This report is to provide information and update in respect of the formulation of a draft Essex wide Primary Care Strategy being produced by NHS England	

**1. RECOMMENDATIONS:**

1.1 To note the contents of this report.

**2. INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND:**

2.1 With the formalisation of NHS England and Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs) on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2013, NHS England Essex Area Team became responsible for the commissioning and performance management of primary care services across Essex.

Each Area Team within NHS England has been asked produce a Primary Care Strategy by 30<sup>th</sup> June 2013. The strategy for Essex, once formulated will then be consulted upon during the summer with all key stakeholders.

**3. TIMETABLE AND OUTLINE**

3.1 NHS England Essex Area Team has commenced work on the formulation of an Essex wide Primary Care Strategy and the following timetable has been set for the completion of a first draft prior to consultation.

3.2 Timetable

Initial meetings to be held with key stakeholders e.g. CCG Chief Operating Officers, Local Representatives Committees and Local Professional Network Chairs	Throughout April and early May 2013
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Compilation of baseline data	Throughout April 2013
Completion of first draft	End of May 2013
Initial consultation for feedback and comments from key stakeholders	Throughout June 2013
Wider consultation and finalisation of strategy	July/September 2013

3.3 At this stage the outline for the strategy is as follows:

- NHS England national objectives and strategic vision
- Essex Area Team local objectives and overarching strategic vision for primary care
- Focussed vision for each contractor route i.e. General Practice, Pharmacy, Dental and Optometry
- Supported by data collected from each CCG area in respect of the profile of primary care and demographics
- Support by the individual values and vision identified by each CCG

#### **4. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION:**

4.1 The purpose of this report is to provide the Thurrock Health and Well Being Board with information and timetable in respect of the production of an Essex wide Primary Care Strategy.

#### **5. CONSULTATION (including Overview and Scrutiny, if applicable)**

5.1 Following the period of data collection and the formulation of a first draft of the Primary Care Strategy, NHS England Essex Area Team will commence a widespread consultation programme with all key stakeholders which will include gathering feedback and opinion from:

Members of the local public, patients and carers  
 Essex Clinical Commissioning Groups  
 Local representative committees  
 Local Professional Network Chairs  
 Health and Well Being Boards  
 Local authorities  
 Primary care providers

#### **6. IMPACT ON CORPORATE POLICIES, PRIORITIES, PERFORMANCE AND COMMUNITY IMPACT**

6.1 At this stage of the production of the Primary Care Strategy it is not envisaged that there will be any impact on the Thurrock Health and Well Being Board policies, priorities or performance. With the finalisation of the strategy, this will be review and the impact on the community will be assessed.

## 7. IMPLICATIONS

### 7.1 Financial

None identified at this time

### 7.2 Legal

None identified at this time

### 7.3 Diversity and Equality

None identified at this time

### 7.4 Other implications (where significant) – i.e. Section 17, Risk Assessment, Health Impact Assessment, Sustainability, IT, Environmental

Not applicable

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