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COORDINATING PROVIDERS ANNOUNCED

In briefing number 3 we updated you on the two CCGs (Mansfield and Ashfield and Newark and Sherwood) decision to adopt a new commissioning model which is part of the implementation of Better Together.

Implementation of this new model will result in a move away from a system that focuses on payment for activity at an organisational or episode level to one which provides a payment for patient outcomes at a population level. This is known as Capitated Outcomes Based Commissioning.

Part of this process has been to identify coordinating providers who will take a leadership role in developing proposals for integrated care provision in the medium term

This new commissioning model will incentivise providers to work together around the needs of the patient or service user. It will also encourage providers to integrate, focus on the longer term needs of patients and to invest in safety, quality, early intervention and prevention: thereby reducing the demand on acute services.

Following a considerable amount of work, to look at the different procurement options available to the CCGs, we have now identified seven (7) coordinating providers who we feel can come together to propose how integrated services will work for our population.

To secure better patient outcomes in the future, the two Clinical Commissioning Groups across Mid-Nottinghamshire have identified seven care providers who will go forward to demonstrate how they can deliver integrated health and social care for future populations.

The seven main care providers (see details of who these are in the right hand column) will now demonstrate how they can deliver a vision which not only focuses on specific outcomes such as patient experience, quality and safety but also brings services, which are much more joined up, closer to communities that need them and where possible, to people's homes.

On page 2 of this briefing you will find some further information you may find useful. I hope you have found special edition programme briefing useful.

The seven coordinating providers are:

Central Nottinghamshire Clinical Services (CNCS)

Circle

East Midlands Ambulance Service NHS Trust

Nottinghamshire Healthcare NHS Trust (including County Health Partnerships)

Nottingham University Hospitals NHS Trust

Sherwood Forest Hospital NHS Foundation Trust

United Lincolnshire Hospitals NHS Trust

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What is Better Together?

Better Together is a programme which will transform health and social care services for future populations. The programme has brought partners across Newark and Sherwood and Mansfield and Ashfield to look at how health and social care services can be delivered more effectively in the future. The aim is to ensure that the population in Mid-Nottinghamshire receives the best possible care, with joined up services that continue to meet future challenges and that embrace opportunities for improvement.

Why is the CCG moving to an outcome based commissioning model?

To deliver sustainable services for future generations there needs to be a move away from a system that focuses on payment for activity at an organisational or episode level to one which provides a payment for patient outcomes at a population level. This is known as Capitated Outcomes Based Commissioning.

How does Better Together know what services are required in the future?

Since early 2013, extensive service redesign has been undertaken, taking account of the views of the public and key stakeholders.

We looked at how care in Mid-Nottinghamshire could be developed to meet our local population's needs over the next five years. If we continue to deliver services in the way that we currently do, we will experience significant quality problems and will have a projected funding gap of £140 million within the next decade.

Does this mean these seven organisations will be delivering services in the future?

No, the seven organisations who have been identified as co-ordinating providers will now come together and work collaboratively and respond to the specifications we identify for future services. This means they will have to look at the services that we feel future populations need – i.e. integrated services, care closer to home and in communities and demonstrate how they will deliver that. The CCG will then make a decision to award contracts using assessment.

When will contracts be awarded?

New outcome based contracts will be awarded in 2016.

Where can I find out more?

Information, including copies of the Proposal documents are available from our website – www.bettertogethermidnotts.org.uk

How can I get involved?

Over the coming months, the CCG will be developing quality standards and outcome specifications and would like to hear from anyone who would like to have an input into these. In addition, the CCG will be organising a number of opportunities and public events where members of the public to have their say about which outcomes are important them and should be put in contracts with providers. For further information, email nshccg.bettertogether@nhs.net or telephone 01623 673591