

**OHSEL Board Meeting (public)**

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<b>Agenda Item No: 8</b>
<b>Paper Title:</b> Primary Care Networks - Configuration
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<b>Summary:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• This report provides information on the configuration of Primary Care Networks agreed across SEL following local agreement, endorsement by the OHSEL Board and regional and national approval.</li></ul>
<b>Action Required</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The OHSEL board is asked to consider the update on PCN configuration following local, regional and national assurance.</li><li>• The OHSEL Board is asked to note the next steps to support PCN development.</li></ul>
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## **Paper: Primary Care Networks update**

### **Summary:**

Stakeholders across SEL Local Care Partnerships (or equivalents) have been working together to agree how best to support the development of primary care networks, in line with the agreed SEL vision and framework for PCN development and the national timeline for commencement of the national directed enhanced service contract, 01 July 2019. In many areas, this has included specific offers of support from larger scale general practice and local community and mental health providers.

At the OHSEL Board on 22 May 2019, we provided an update on the emerging Primary Care Networks across South East London, and a preliminary view on Primary Care Network formations following the submission by local practices of their locally developed applications to CCGs on 15 May 2019.

Since then local area teams and have worked closely with local health and care stakeholders and practices to agree arrangements in line with the national requirements and timelines.

We are pleased to announce that that we have now agreed the development of 35 PCNs across south east London and that the contracts formalising these arrangements between local GP practices went live on 1st July 2019.

This paper gives an overview of the configuration of PCNs across SEL and early consideration of the support PCNs and the systems they work within might require.

### **Key developments:**

- Local leads have continued ongoing engagement and support to resolve any local issues or risks identified throughout June, noting that local confirmation of approval of most PCN arrangements was communicated within the national timeline of 31 May 2019.
- Local Primary Care Commissioning Committees have considered approval of variations to existing contracts throughout June, to support implementation of the new network contract. Following Primary Care Commissioning Committees approval, PCNs will begin to receive payment associated with the new network contract from 01 July.
- The final submission on our PCN arrangements was provided to the Regional and National NHSE/I team on 27 June 2019 and each PCN Clinical director received an approval letter signed by the MD and the STP SRO.
- This letter formalised the approval of the local arrangements and requested that the relevant clinical directors return a signed declaration confirming they have met the requirements to have a signed Network Contract DES and associated schedules 1 - 7 in place to support the contract commencement on 01 July 2019.

- An overview of our PCN arrangements has been provided publicly on the Our Healthier South-East London Website. This includes information on the practices that make up each PCN and can be found from the following link (included as annex 1);
  - <https://www.ourhealthiersel.nhs.uk/news-events/news.htm?postid=85638>

#### **Next Steps:**

- Capability and capacity of PCNs will build over the next five years. In the first year of the PCN contract the focus will be on optimising current services across the network, such as the provision of extended opening hours for local practices and the development of new roles, such as clinical pharmacists and social prescribing link works
- The ask on PCNs is ambitious and they (and the systems they work within) will need support to help them mature and deliver care differently. This new way of working should improve the experience of patients and staff and should contribute to more sustainable system.
- Following engagement over the autumn and winter and building on the learning from ICS and other vanguard systems the national NHSE/I team have begun to set out a national PCN development prospectus setting out an agreed consistent view for regional and local teams to use and build upon to ensure any support put in place meets local needs.
- The STP Programme team hosted a primary and community care network event on 05 June, focusing on the opportunity to address health inequalities via neighbourhood delivery models and we plan to launch a clinical directors network in September to bring together clinical directors of our newly developed PCNs with the wider clinical leadership across SEL.
- A key aim of these events will be to bring together PCN Clinical Directors with wider clinical leadership across to consider and agree the organisational development requirements for PCNs across SEL and how best to access support to address these requirements in line with local need.