

Flash - Stockport Primary Care Commissioning Committee (PCCC)

Report To (Meeting):		One Stockport Health and Care Board		
Report From: (Committee Chair)		David Dolman, Associate Director of Finance, NHS Greater Manchester (Stockport)		
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Date:		12 September 2023	Agenda Item	19
Decision		Assurance	Information	X
Date of meeting: 18 October 2023				
Summary of updates provided during meeting				
An update from Stockport Primary Care Board				
Meeting due to take place on 21 September 2023. Items to be discussed on the agenda included:				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Education, training and workforce including an overview of ONE Stockport Health and Care Academy. • Targeted Practice Education Programme (TPEP) update – developing the future Health and Care workforce at neighbourhood, place and system level. • Update from Mastercall Healthcare. • Community Pharmacy update including enhanced pharmacy services. • Update on Primary and Community Care Quality. 				
Highlight report on Locality Primary Care Quality				
A number of key challenges were highlighted at the meeting, including:				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increased asylum seeker numbers in the locality and the demands placed on the system. • There had been an increase in the number of patients being removed from a practice list due to their behaviour. Staff were working with colleagues from Greater Manchester (GM) to manage their behaviour. It was noted that some of the patients did not meet the criteria to be included on the Special Allocation Scheme (SAS). • Currently there is limited Business Intelligence (BI) capacity; await access to a centralised quality dashboard. • A new GM Oversight Group had been established to provide oversight on quality issues and the escalating financial pressures from asylum seeker allocations, Tuberculosis (TB) screening and wider pressures on children's services. 				
Special Allocation Scheme (SAS) Contract				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A discussion took place on the proposal to direct award (quotation waiver request) a contract to the existing provider to continue to deliver the SAS service to Stockport patients that is due to expire in 2023/24. • It was noted that this was a nationally mandated service that all primary care organisations were required to have access to providing essential Primary Medical Services for patients that had been moved from a practice list, after committing an act of violence, threatened violence or behaving in such a way that a person (s) feared for their safety. 				

Additional Roles Reimbursement Scheme (ARRS)

- Primary Care Networks (PCNs) were continuing to recruit to the ARRS roles and had plans in place to fully utilise available resource to build their primary care teams.
- The Committee were informed of the current forecast position across GM and place including challenges with recruitment to the Mental Health Living Well roles.

Update on Locally Commissioned Services (LCS)

- National guidance had been issued, advising that Locally Commissioned Service contracts could be included within a Primary Medical Services (PMS) or General Medical Service (GMS) contract.

Covid vaccination update

- Members noted that due to a rise in cases, the Covid programme had been brought forward, to be completed by the end of October 2023. Localities had been provided with assurance that stock was in place and practices would be notified when deliveries were due.

Estates Improvement Grant Bids

- Practices had been invited to submit a bid for funding from a primary care premises grant to improve current estates. It was noted that there were specific criteria attached to the grant.

Finance Report for the period ending 31 August 2023 – Month 5

- NHS Greater Manchester (Stockport) was reporting a £0.99m favourable year to date variance and a £0.154m favourable forecast outturn variance.

Key decisions taken

Decisions Taken:

- Stockport Primary Care Commissioning Committee approved the direct award of the Special Allocation Contract (SAS) for a further year subject to a full Equality Impact Assessment (EIA) being completed.

Assurance provided:

- All six Primary Care Networks (PCNs) (GP practices) had opted into the Covid vaccination autumn programme.

Actions noted:

- Detailed EIA required for SAS direct award contract.
- Update on the Delivery Plan for recovering Primary Care Access and plans of primary care migration to modern general practice access models.
- Reporting arrangements in place for monitoring the Local Commissioned Service contract.

Matters referred to the Locality Board for approval, debate or further consideration

Not applicable.

Risks and mitigations raised

- Covid programme dates being brought forward and timely stock supplies for PCNs to deliver vaccinations.
- Financial impact and system impact of asylum seeker allocations at place.
- Incorporation of a Locally Commissioned Service contract into a PMS or GMS contract.

