

Agenda Item: PCCC17/18		FOI Exempt: No
NHS Leeds South and East CCG Primary Care Commissioning Committee		
Date of meeting: 22 June 2017		
Title: Primary Care Quality Improvement Scheme 2017-2018 Briefing Paper		
Lead Primary Care Commissioning Committee Member: Gaynor Connor Associate Director of Primary Care and New Models of Care	Category of Paper	Tick as appropriate
Report Author: Sue Jones – Head of Primary Care Development LSE CCG	Discussion and Approval	✓
Reviewed by SMT: N/A	Information	
Reviewed by Committee: N/A	Discussion	
Checked by Finance: N/Y		
Approved by Lead Primary Care Commissioning Committee member: N/Y		
Strategic Aims – that this report relates to		
1. To improve the health of the whole population and reduce inequalities in our communities.		✓
2. To secure continuous improvement in the quality and safety of all services commissioned for our population		✓
3. To ensure that patient, public and carer voices are at the centre of our healthcare services from planning to delivery		✓
4. To deliver continuous improvement in health and social care systems within available resources		✓
5. To develop and maintain a healthy organisation to underpin the effective delivery of our strategy		
Assurance Framework - to which risks on the GBAF does this report relate?		
GBAF Risk Number **- Strategic Aim **		
Strategic Aim 4: To deliver continuous improvement in health and social care systems within available resources		
Risk Number 7: There is a risk that Primary Care Delivery is unsustainable across Leeds South and East, leading to a failure to deliver effective Primary Care Services to patients.		
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:		
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Year 3 2017/18 completing 31st March 2018.

The PCQIS was released to 37 of 42 Member Practices in LSE CCG in March 2017. Of the remaining five practices, two have been excluded from entering the full scheme and three have been or will be offered a modified scheme.

The PCQIS scheme with full and partial implementation will see a minimum coverage of 95.4% of the LSE population (based on weighted head of population) with a potential in-year rise to 99.2% of the total population. Support will continue to be provided by the Primary Care Engagement Team to enable practices to participate and deliver the outcomes of the scheme.

NEXT STEPS:

The Primary Care Engagement Team will continue work to enable practices to participate and understand the impact of the work they have undertaken at a practice and CCG level.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Primary Care Commissioning Committee is asked to:

- a) Note and discuss the contents of the paper, reflect on its principles and provide relevant feedback/comment to the Primary Care Engagement Team.*

Corporate Impact Assessment: Insert commentary or refer to body of report or N/A

Statutory/Legal/Regulatory/Contractual	N/A
Financial	The PCQIS demands financial review and payment in accordance with payment rules laid out in the scheme. Support for this is provided from Finance and Business Intelligence.
Communication and Involvement	Yes
Workforce	Yes – The PCQIS provides income to practices who will flex their workforce to provide elements of the scheme
Equality	The PCQIS aims to address inequalities in health experienced by the LSE CCG patient population and is underpinned in the strategic aims of the LSE CCG as an organisation.
Environmental	N/A

1.0 Introduction

The current Primary Care Quality Improvement Scheme (PCQIS) is a three year scheme, now in its final year. It is presented to practices as a tiered scheme across 3 levels linked to long-term condition management. The final year of the PCQIS further enhances and develops the work LSE CCG Member Practices commenced in Year One 2015/16, Year Two 2016/17 and continues into Year 3 2017/18 completing 31st March 2018.

The scheme aims to contribute to reducing the health challenges faced by the population of Leeds South and East Clinical Commissioning Group. The scheme supports the principles of primary care development outlined in the Leeds South and East Primary Care Strategy and NHS England General Practice Forward View (2016). In addition, the PCQIS seeks to further ensure that Member Practices are also fulfilling their statutory duties required by the Health and Social Care Act. Under the act, practices have a duty to:

- engage the patient's experience in formulating service provision
- promote the improvement of quality in primary care
- engage and influence the transformation of patient services through commissioning

In March 2017 the PCQIS (Year 3), encompassing two levels of service (Level 1 and Level 2 – scheme available on request) was released to Practices, supported with explanatory workshops and discussion at the Members Meeting in January, February and April 2017. Release of the scheme has enabled member practice sign up and submission of supporting action plans. Action plans describe the direction each practice will take to achieve each component of the scheme with their registered patient population.

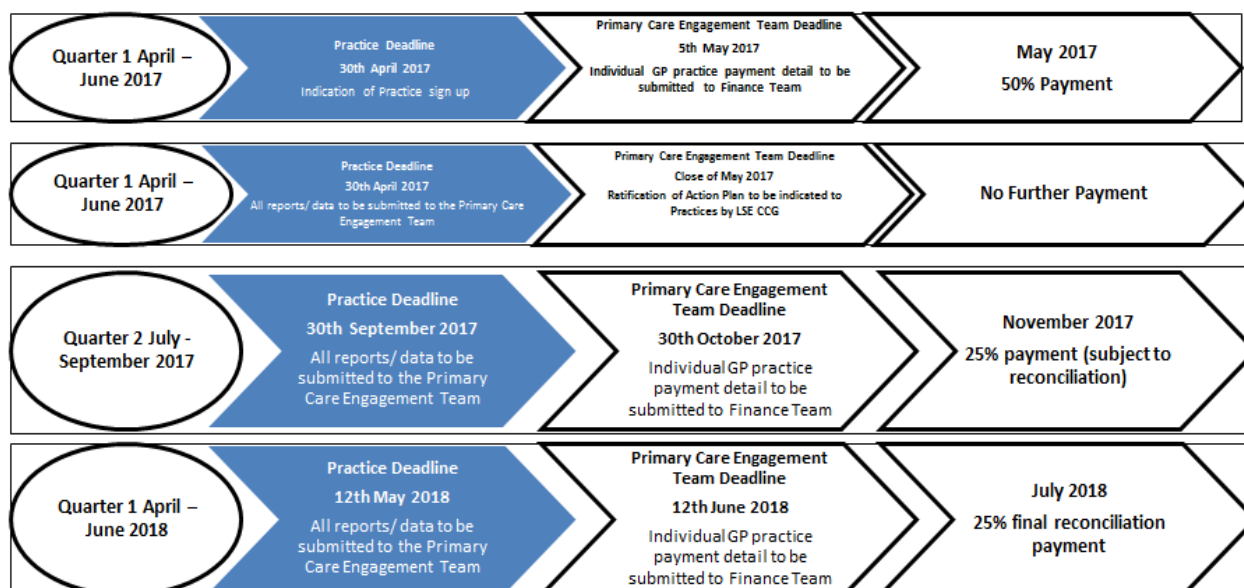
The purpose of this paper is to advise and assure PCCC of:

- LSE CCG Member sign up to the PCQIS (Year 3)
- LSE CCG's reasoning for practice exclusion from the PCQIS (Year 3)
- LSE CCG Modified inclusions to the PCQIS (Year 3)

2.0 Practice Sign up to PCQIS (Year 3)

The PCQIS was released to 37 (88%) of 42 Member Practices in LSE CCG in March 2017. Two practices were excluded from entering the full scheme and the remaining three have been or will be offered access to a modified/partial scheme (see 2.1 and 2.1.1). A deadline date for sign up and submission of a supporting action plan was given as 30 April 2017. LSE CCG committed to reviewing all action plans and enable release of 50% of financial remuneration to practices in May 2017. The PCQIS offers £10.00 per weighted head of population (WHP). The payment schedule for the scheme is summarised in Table 1. LSE CCG at April 2017 has a WHP of 290,420.00 and therefore this scheme represents a total value of £2,904,200.

Table 1



At 31st May 2017 LSE CCG can confirm:

- Receipt of 35 completed sign-up sheets and action plans. Of these 29 action plans were initially with all 35 have now been accepted. This ensures that 92% of our population (266,546 people) is covered by the PCQIS scheme.
- Two practices have failed to submit a sign- up sheet or action plan. These practices cover 3.4% of the population (9,752 people). The Primary Care Engagement Team is working with these practices to understand barriers or challenges to sign up. It is anticipated that sign up will be received from these practices. Achievement of sign up from these two practices would enable coverage for 95.4% of the population.
- Work with the LSE CCG Finance Team has seen payments made under Quarter 1 April-June 2017 payment schedule. To date total payments made to eligible LSE CCG practices for both Level1 and Level 2 of the PCQIS is £1,199,060.82. This represents 50% of funds directly available to practices to support achievement of the scheme.

2.1 Practice Exclusions from the PCQIS (Year 3)

The PCQIS has not been offered to two specific practices for reasons specified below:

- **Whinmoor Surgery** – this practice list will complete a list dispersal process at 30 June 2017. List dispersal will see patients registering at local practices accessing the PCQIS scheme through this mechanism. Current WHP numbers 428 patients.
- **Cottingley Surgery** – the current provider has given notice on NHS General Medical Services (GMS) contract and will cease providing services at 30 June 2017. LSE CCG is working with local providers to secure a nine month NHS Alternative Provider Medical Services (APMS) contract pending stakeholder engagement about the future of this service. Discussions around the PCQIS will be held with prospective providers. Current WHP numbers 1826 patients.

Therefore the total number of patients, not currently covered by the scheme at time of writing this paper is 2254. This equates to 0.8% of the LSE CCG WHP.

2.1.1 Modified Inclusions for the PCQIS (Year 3)

The PCQIS has and will be offered in differing ways to three practices to meet the needs of their patient population, support practice development and allow for embedding of new providers prior to offer.

- **York Street Practice** – provides specialist primary care services for homeless, refugees and asylum seekers. After an APMS procurement process, this practice was transferred to a new provider, Bevan Healthcare CIC, on 1st April 2017. Mobilisation plans and full provision of services demanded by APMS contract is anticipated by June 2017 and discussions/offers of additional services such as the PCQIS will be broached in contract review meetings scheduled for July 2017. Due to the nature of this patient group a modified scheme may be offered to meet specific population needs. (Current WHP numbers 1143 patients).
- **East Park Medical Centre** – rated inadequate by CQC in 2016, with a re-inspection performed in April 2017 and new rating pending. LSE CCG analysis of this practice via an NHSE Quality Risk Profile (QRP), gives an early indication of a continued lack of clinical capacity. Whilst the practice is exploring its workforce strategy they have invoked practice list closure for a period of six months. Review of the PCQIS suggests that whilst the practice does not have clinical capacity to provide Level 2 of the PCQIS, elements of Level 1 will support their recovery programme and enable quality development of practice systems and processes. The LSE CCG has asked the practice to consider sign up to all or partial elements of Level 1. Reviews of changes in practice circumstances may see opportunity to access Level 2 of the PCQIS at a later date in year. Current WHP numbers 9415 patients).
- **York Road Surgery** - stakeholder consultation about the future of this practice will begin post Snap Election purdah. The current provider will provide key elements of the PCQIS, via Key Performance Indicators (KPIs), specified in a short term six month APMS contract. Payment for these elements is encompassed in the APMS contract value. (Current WHP numbers 1401 patients)

Taking into account the circumstances faced by these three practices the potential percentage of patients who may receive access to a partial/modified scheme in 2017-2018 is 4.1% of the total LSE CCG WHP.

3.0 Summary

In summary the PCQIS aims to address health inequalities and develop resilience in primary care and is in the final year of a planned 3 year scheme. This paper sets out, for this final year:

- those eligible to join the scheme have done or are in the process of doing so
- two practices due to individual circumstances have been excluded from the scheme
- three practices have or will be offered a modified inclusion to the scheme.

The PCQIS scheme with full and partial implementation will see a minimum coverage of 95.4% of the LSE population (based on weighted head of population) with a potential in-year rise to 99.2% of the total population. Support will continue to be provided by the Primary Care Engagement Team to enable practices to participate and deliver the outcomes of the scheme.

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