

<p><b>Health in Hackney Scrutiny Commission</b></p> <p>4<sup>th</sup> November 2019</p> <p><b>Sexual and Reproductive Health Services in GP Practices</b></p>	<p>Item No</p> <p><b>8</b></p>
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## OUTLINE

The Commission received a request from the Local Medical Committee to examine the issue of the impact of new commissioning arrangements for sexual and reproductive health services on local GPs.

Specifically they asked:

*LMC also raised concerns regarding a proposed new GP Sexual Health Services contract by LBH for non-GMS services. In context of C+H's highly transient and diverse population, the expectations of the contract appear unrealistic. There is a feeling that the contract is underfunded for the large amount of work required; that KPIs are set too high: 75% of all new registrants must accept an HIV test; 95% of all women 16-49yrs must be offered Long Acting Reversible Contraception (eg coils), and these must be fitted within five days of a request; that 95% of all women must be offered STI testing and that 90% of positive STI test results must be notified to patients within 10 days of the test date; that moves to online requesting for self-tests may prejudice opportunities for individual counselling of patients potentially at risk (eg sexual assault, safeguarding and relationship issues); that responsibility for contact tracing is delegated to GPs via an app; that the time required for effective Sexual Health consultations is not available in General Practice. Typically in secondary care and community clinics, patients have 20-30 minute appointments for consultation, testing, and counselling patients. It is also unclear how the GP SH service contract is planned to fit in the wider provision of SH services across the Borough. The degree of shift of SH from secondary care and community services onto GPs is unclear. We do not know if this SH contract is intended to permit closure or downgrading of existing SH services and clinics provided elsewhere. LMC would welcome some enquiry as to the overview of SH service provision envisaged, and whether the budget allocations, contract demands and KPI requirements are appropriate for the demands of the contract on GPs*

Attached is a briefing from Public Health.

The services are commissioned by Public Health and managed by the GP Confederation.

Attending for this item will be:

<b>Dr Sandra Husbands</b>	Director of Public Health	City and Hackney
<b>Dr Andy Liggins</b>	Consultant in Public Health	City of London (lead commissioner for C&H)
<b>Shivangi Medhi</b>	Public Health Strategist	LBH

<b>Dr Deborah Colvin</b>	Chair	City & Hackney GP Confederation
<b>Laura Sharpe</b>	Chief Executive	City & Hackney GP Confederation
<b>Dr Fiona Sanders</b>	Chair	Local Medical Committee
<b>Dr Nick Mann</b>	Member	Local Medical Committee

## **ACTION**

Members are requested to give consideration to the report and make any recommendations as appropriate.