

Health in Hackney Scrutiny Commission 16 th March 2022 Developments in GP Services the next 5 years	Item No 4
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PURPOSE

The purpose of this panel discussion is for Members to gain a better insight into the strategic issues which are driving primary care locally and to look forward to what GP services might look like in five years' time.

OUTLINE

GP Practice capacity has been stretched as the system emerges from the pandemic and as primary care works to address health issues that have arisen while Covid-19 response was being prioritised. This has meant that the primary care work programme has had to adapt very quickly to making core general practice more resilient in the areas of demand management and 'digital first' programmes, which have taken on greater significance due to the need to consult remotely and through digital means.

The Commission usually invites the GP Confederation to provide an annual update on their work and this year it aims to broaden that discussion. In the past year closer collaboration between the *Neighbourhoods* (developed within City & Hackney) and the *Primary Care Networks* (established by NHSE) has been key.

At our most recent meeting we heard from **Richmond Rd Medical Centre** about innovations they have adopted which gained them national recognition a number of years running in the National GP Awards and we heard about the findings of two recent **Healthwatch Hackney** reports on [improving online information of GP practices](#) and on [ease of GP registration](#).

Attached please find:

4b Note from NEL CCG Primary Care

4c Note from GP Confederation

4d Note from Office of PCNs

4e Note from Clinical Effectiveness Group at QMUL

4f Note from Healthwatch Hackney - introduction and primary care section of their draft strategy

PROGRAMME

The format will be a series of 5 min briefings (verbal or with illustration) followed by a Q&A session led by Members.

1	<p>How Primary Care is commissioned nationally and enacted locally?</p> <p>Outline of the 39 GP Practices and how they are organised</p>	<p>Dr Kirsten Brown</p> <p>Richard Bull</p>	<p>Primary Care Clinical Lead for C&H Partner at Spring Hill Practice and The Lawson Practice</p> <p>Programme Director Primary Care, NEL CCG</p>
2	<p>What do the CCG and local authorities commission locally on top of the basic contract?</p>	<p>Laura Sharpe</p>	<p>Chief Executive, GP Confederation</p>
3	<p>The 'provider landscape' at local level and the partnership model.</p>	<p>Dr Deborah Colvin</p>	<p>Partner at Spring Hill Practice and The Lawson Practice</p>
4	<p>What are Primary Care Networks and what do they do?</p>	<p>Dr Kathleen Weanden</p>	<p>Chair of the Clinical Directors of the City and Hackney PCNs</p>
5	<p>How do we measure effectiveness and how do we know that it's quality? <i>(10 min presentation)</i></p>	<p>Dr John Robson</p>	<p>Clinical Reader in Primary Care Research and Development and Clinical Lead for the Clinical Effectiveness Group at the Queen Mary University of London</p>
6	<p>What do residents think of local GP provision?</p>	<p>Malcolm Alexander</p>	<p>Chair, Healthwatch Hackney</p>
7	<p>Short briefing on process for re-procurement or dispersal of lists when a GP Practice closes.</p>	<p>Richard Bull</p>	<p>Programme Director Primary Care, NEL CCG</p>
8	<p>PANEL DISCUSSION <i>45 mins</i></p>		

Also invited to contribute to the discussion are:

Dr Vinay Patel, Chair of the **Local Medical Committee**

The City and Hackney **PCN Clinical Directors:**

Dr Kathleen Wenaden – Well Street Common

Dr Neeraj Patel – Clissold Park

Dr Ellie Jacob – Hackney Downs

Dr Nick Brewer/Dr Haren Patel – joint for Hackney Marshes

Dr Gopal Mehta - London Fields

Dr Jenny Darkwah - Shoreditch Park & City

Dr Vinay Patel/Dr Tehseen Khan joint for Woodbery Wetlands and /Springfield Park

Drs Wenaden, Jacob, Vinay Patel and Haren Patel will be attending.

What is a PCN?

*GP practices across the country are now organised into Primary Care Networks. A primary care network brings together health and social care services, for people in a local area of between 30-50,000 people. GP practices, community, mental health, social care, pharmacy, hospital, and voluntary services, all work together in each PCN to care for the people in their PCN area. City and Hackney has **eight** primary care networks (PCN). Each one has up to seven surgeries. All 39 City and Hackney GP Confederation member practices also work closely together as members of their local PCN group.*

What is the Clinical Effectiveness Group at Queen Mary University of London?

The CEG uses data to improve population health. They collaborate with the NHS across North East London, but their work often has national and international significance. They build data-driven tools that help GPs improve the health of their patients e.g. by spotting people at risk of complications, or increasing vaccine uptake. They support GPs and commissioners to use their tools, interpret the insight and respond with innovation. They also analyse big datasets to reveal insights and inequalities in population health. They publish their findings in academic research papers and practical guidance and empower local health teams to act on the evidence.

ACTION

The Commission is requested to give consideration to the briefings and discussion.