

BNSSG Primary Care Commissioning Committee (PCCC)

Date: 28th April 2020

Time: 9.00am – 10.20am

Location: Virtual meeting to be held via Microsoft Teams. Details to be included in the calendar invite.

Agenda Number :	10
Title:	Contracts and Performance Report
Purpose: For Information	
Key Points for Discussion:	
The purpose of this paper is to update the Committee on the status of BNSSG primary care contracts and provide a summary of performance issues.	
Recommendations:	The Committee are asked to note the contents of this report for information
Previously Considered By and feedback :	Not Applicable
Management of Declared Interest:	Not Applicable
Risk and Assurance:	There are no specific risks highlighted in this paper this month. Any risks associated with contractual changes will be highlighted via separate papers
Financial / Resource Implications:	There are no specific financial resource implications highlighted within this paper. Any contractual change requests will be considered via separate papers and will include any relevant financial implications.
Legal, Policy and Regulatory Requirements:	There are no specific legal implications highlighted within this paper. Any contractual change requests will be considered via separate papers and will include any relevant legal implications.
How does this reduce Health Inequalities:	Monitoring of Primary Care performance alongside practice demographic information will help to highlight areas of variation of services, which will then be addressed accordingly.
How does this impact on Equality & diversity	Monitoring of Primary Care performance alongside practice demographic information will help to highlight areas of variation of services, which will then be addressed accordingly.



Patient and Public Involvement:	Whilst there has not been consultation and communication with the public in the production of this paper, patient experience and public involvement is recognised as an important factor in reviewing and gaining assurance regarding primary care services.
Communications and Engagement:	There are no specific communication issues highlighted as a result of this paper. Any contractual change requests that require further engagement will be highlighted via separate papers.
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1. Background

The paper provides a summary of the contractual status of the contracts held across the Primary Care Contract portfolio. This includes all GMS / PMS and APMS contracts as well as the locally commissioned Improving Access to General Practice Contract.

2. Current Contracts

CCG	APMS	PMS	GMS	Total
Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire (BNSSG)	8**	63	10	81

**APMS contract for SAS included

a. Single handed Contractors holding GMS/PMS contracts

Practice	Code	List Size (01/01/19)	Contract Type
Helios Medical Centre	L81622	4,258	PMS

A formal notification was received on 27/01/2020 which confirmed Helios Medical Centre became a single handed practice on 30/09/2019 when a non-medical partner retired and removed himself from the contract. The Single Handed Partner Assurance framework has been shared with the practice for completion.

The Monks Park Variation has now been retuned and therefore they are no longer a single handed practice.

3. Procurements/Contract Expiries

a. APMS Contract Expiries

Practice	Locality	Contract Type	Agreed End date	Notes
Horizon Health (Weston)	North Somerset	APMS	31/10/19 Proposed 12/06/2020	Variation to 12/06/20 out for signature
Charlotte Keel Medical Practice	ICE	APMS	31/03/2021	Contract commenced 01/04/18, and an extension of 6+6 to 31/03/21 is with BrisDoc for signature
Broadmead Medical Centre (Y02578)	ICE	APMS	30/09/2031	With option to extend by 5+5 years
Homeless Health Service (Y02873)	ICE	APMS	30/09/2021	With option to extend by 5+5 years
Emersons Green Medical Centre (L81362)	South Glos	APMS	31/01/2032	With option to extend by 5+5 years
Graham Road	Weston & Worle	APMS	12/06/2020	With option to extend by 1 year
Bridge View Medical Special Allocation Scheme	N/A	APMS	30/06/2021	With option to extend by 2 years

b. Other Primary Care Contracts

Provider	Locality	Contract Type	Agreed End date	Notes
Language Empire Ltd	BNSSG	NHS Standard	30/09/2021	With option to extend by 2 years
Action on Hearing Loss	BNSSG	NHS Standard	30/09/2021	No further option to extend

In addition the pharmacy enhanced service contracts have been formally extended by 1 year. These will now expire on 31 March 2021. In addition a contract variation has been issued to allow pharmacies to deliver the Community Pharmacy Minor Ailments Patient Group Directions service. This will mean that pharmacies will be able to supply prescription only medicines and that

episodes of care can be completed in the pharmacy and referrals to GP practices or out of hours providers are avoided.

4. Practice mergers

a. Approved mergers

A merger for New Court Surgery and Longton Grove Surgery was approved on 19 October 2019 at PCCC. The partnership merged on 1 April 2020.

A merger for Eastville and Maytrees Medical Practices was approved at the beginning of March 2020. The partnership merged on 1 April 2020.

Both practices intend to formally merge the patient lists and EMIS systems, but due to Covid-19 it is not yet known when IT teams and EMIS will be able to facilitate these changes.

b. New Merger Applications

No new applications

5. Closed list Applications

No new applications

6. Approved List Closures

No new applications

7. Partnership Change Requests

No new requests

8. Temporary Practice Hour changes

Practices have the ability to submit applications to close for a number of hours to allow them to plan for things such as training sessions and periods of significant IT downtime etc. All applications are considered individually, and the practices are asked to demonstrate the reasons for closure and the contingency for patients during these closures.

The table below details the number of applications received since 1 April 2019.

	N/Somerset	Bristol	S Glos	Totals
Applications	1	6	11	18
Practices	1	5	6	12

Applications have been received from 12 practices totalling 18 applications. 1 of these applications was declined. Practices are reminded that 4 weeks' notice is required for any proposed temporary closure.

9. Applications to Change Practice Boundaries

No applications received

10. Branch Surgery Closures

To enable practices to manage immediate and continuing COVID-19 pressure 7 practice branch surgeries across the BNSSG footprint have temporarily closed, 2 in North Somerset, 2 in South Gloucestershire and 3 in Bristol. Action plans have been submitted from each practice to assure continuity of care whilst the branches are closed and the closures continue to be overseen by the Primary Care Contracts team escalating into the Primary Care Cell where appropriate.

11. Contract Breach and Remedial Notices

No Contract Breach or Remedial Notices have been issued. There are currently no live notices in place with any practice.

12. COVID-19 Assurance letter from Lisa Manson 19 March 2020

In light of Covid-19 practices received a letter from Lisa Manson on 19 March outlining information and guidance to practices on how to respond to the situation. The letter outlined a number of financial commitments to practices including protecting income against:

QOF
Extended Hours (Direct Enhanced Service)
Local Enhanced Services
Improved Access

The purpose of providing such commitments was to ensure that funding does not influence clinical decision making by protecting income at the rate practices would have been paid pre Covid-19.

13. Primary Care Performance Management Monitoring

Improved Access delivery was suspended on 19 March 2020 and across quarter 1 20/21. Practices were assured that income across this period would be protected with practices asked to take a pragmatic approach to delivery of access across this period.

One Care will provide performance monitoring data up to the end of February 2020 and this will be reported to the committee during May 2020.

Local Enhanced Service reporting for Quarter 4 will be provided to the committee during May 2020. As described above practices will be paid for quarter 1 based on average activity from the same period in 19/20. In order to support planning from Quarter 2 monthly data is being requested from the BI team to establish what activity has dropped during this period and how we may begin to bring this back online in any recovery phase.

14. Financial resource implications

There are no specific financial resource implications highlighted within this paper. Any contractual change requests will be considered via separate papers and will include any relevant financial implications.

15. Legal implications

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16. Risk implications

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17. Implications for health inequalities

Monitoring of Primary Care performance alongside practice demographic information will help to highlight areas of variation of services, which will then be addressed accordingly.

18. Implications for equalities (Black and Other Minority Ethnic/Disability/Age Issues)

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19. Consultation and Communication including Public Involvement

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20. Recommendations

The committee are asked to note the contents of this report for information.

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Glossary of terms and abbreviations

Please explain all initials, technical terms and abbreviations.

APMS	Alternative Provider of Medical Services - Type of GP contract
GMS	General Medical Services – Type of GP contract
PMS	Personal Medical Services – Type of GP contract