

# 11. Delegation of Pharmaceutical, Optical and Dental services

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Commissioning Committee

# Overview

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# 1. Arrangements for 2022

- Further to the Expression of Interest submitted in September 2021 BNSSG ICS has made the decision not to proceed with full delegation of pharmaceutical and optical services in 2022
- This decision will allow the ICB to concentrate on delivering the 2022/2023 plan and support the ICB to develop in 2022
- Significant progress has been made working with NHSEI to prepare for delegation and in recognition of this NHSEI South West and BNSSG ICS have agreed to enter into a joint commissioning arrangement of pharmaceutical and optical services from July 2022 onwards with shadow arrangements in place for dental services

- To support this we are proposing to extend the invitation to the ICB Primary Care Commissioning Committee to the Local Optical, Pharmaceutical and Dental Committees. This will enable and support a transition to full delegation of all 3 services from April 2023
- The CCG primary care teams are now actively working to define the joint commissioning arrangements for pharmaceutical and optical services with the local NHSEI team and an update on these arrangements will be brought to the Committee
- To support shadow arrangements for dental services NHSEI are proposing to extend the invitation to local systems to attend the South West Primary Care and Public Health Operational Group and to engage systems directly in decisions for their areas

## 2. Progress to date

- Workshop held with NHSEI SW to complete the safe delegation checklist. The checklist covers:
  - Governance
  - Finance
  - Contracts
  - Quality
  - Data and Records Management
  - HR and People Impact Assessment

# Progress to date

- Regional commissioning Hub model developed which covers the following:
  - Operating Model
  - Governance and decision making framework
  - Commissioning Hub Resource with WTE allocated across the South West to commissioning, finance and quality
  - Service Portfolio
  - Ways of Working
  - People and Organisation
  - Measuring Success
- Each system to be supported by a senior relationship manager

# 3. Preparing for delegation in 2023

- Pre-delegation assessment framework to be completed for all 3 services by 19<sup>th</sup> September
- National Moderation Panel to review submissions and approve ICB progression to delegation
- NHS England Board to approve ICBs taking on delegated commissioning from April in December
- Delegation Agreement needs to be signed off between each ICB and by NHSE in March 23

## 4. Next Steps

- Develop joint commissioning framework with NHSEI SW
- MOUs and data sharing agreements to be established to support joint and shadow arrangements
- Continue to progress the next steps from the safe delegation checklist workshop – e.g. EPRR scenario testing
- PCCC terms of reference to be agreed for July ICB and terms of reference for PCOG to be revised
- Induction arrangements to be developed to support the Committee to understand the new services
- Develop ICB resource proposal to support commissioning arrangements for April 2023