Report to Rutland Shadow Health and Wellbeing Board

Subject:	Primary Care Operating Framework and Co-Commissioning Timescales and Process
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Context, including links to Health and Wellbeing Priorities e.g. JSNA and Health and Wellbeing Strategy:

1. Purpose of the Report

The purpose of this report is to update the Rutland Health and Wellbeing Board on the direction of travel for Primary Medical Services in East Leicestershire and Rutland Clinical Commissioning Group. The Primary Care Operating Framework is attached as Appendix A.

2. Background

East Leicestershire and Rutland Clinical Commissioning Group have been working for a number of months on a proposed operating framework that will see a reshaping of how primary medical services are developed and delivered for patients.

In line with the Better Care Together programme and as a potential response to the issues and pressures facing both services for patients in an out of hospital setting and the need for change in General Practice and Community Services to manage this.

The Co-commissioning process is one that all CCGs are following in line with NHS England's proposals that CCGs take on a level of responsibility for the design and management of Primary Medical services. Appendix B outlines the national process. Over the coming months every Clinical Commissioning Group in the country will be expected to bid to NHS England for the right to take on one of three levels of responsibility; from joint working to full delegated running of all elements of primary medical services

3. Consultation/Patient and Public Involvement

A working group was set up in August which included patient representatives, Healthwatch members of both Leicestershire and Rutland County Councils and stakeholders from a range of health organisations.

Significant to this work was the engagement with our member practices that involved interviewing a GP from each surgery, a detailed survey and five heavily attended events to run through the proposals.

The outcome of this work was an operating framework (see attached document)

which details the proposed outcomes for patients and general practice and the journey that will take us there.

East Leicestershire and Rutland CCG are now in the process of completing the implementation plan that will help to support the eight work streams of the Better Care Together programme and will support the delivery of an improved out of hospital service.

4. Timetable for Decisions

The primary care operating framework is a five year programme, but the first implementation plan will be completed by the end of December 2014.

Co-commissioning bids will be submitted in January with a formal decision being made by NHS England for an April 2015 start.

5. Conclusions/Recommendations

This paper is to note, but East Leicestershire and Rutland Clinical Commissioning Group would welcome continued support and involvement of the Rutland Health and Wellbeing Board.

Financial implications:

A detailed financial analysis of the potential cost of this process was submitted as part of the Better Care Together, Strategic Outline Case, this will involve in the short term, some transitional funding, but key is the longer term use of existing commissioning budgets to support out of hospital care.

Recommendations:

That the board:

1. Notes the contents of this report.

Comments from the board: