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<b>Title:</b>	Update on primary care co-commissioning
<b>Report of:</b>	Central London CCG & West London CCG
<b>Wards Involved:</b>	All
<b>Policy Context:</b>	Primary care co-commissioning has brought CCGs into the commissioning of local GPs services and, through this, enables them to align the development of primary care with the wider transformation of local health and care services.
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## 1. Executive Summary

- 1.1 This report updates board members on progress made on primary care co-commissioning since their last discussion on this subject in May 2015. The report submitted to that month's meeting explained the policy context for co-commissioning, including the vision for primary care development across North West London, and described the governance arrangements and next steps.
- 1.2 The first meeting of the Central London CCG joint co-commissioning committee took place on 21 May 2015 as a private seminar, in common with the meetings of the joint committees of the other CCGs in North West London.
- 1.3 An invitation has been extended by the CCG to Westminster Health & Wellbeing Board to nominate a representative to attend future meetings as a non-voting advisor.

## **2. Key Matters for the Board**

- 2.1 Board members are asked to note the topics covered at the seminar on 21 May 2015 and to continue their discussion about how they can best participate in primary care co-commissioning in Westminster, to ensure that it benefits from the full range of local expertise and aligns with strategies being implemented across the borough's health and care economy.

## **3. Background**

- 3.1 Primary care co-commissioning launched in Westminster (and across North West London) on 1 April 2015. This followed a period of intense engagement with local GPs and a CCG membership vote emphatically in favour of taking this step.

## **4. Considerations**

- 4.1 Dr Amol Kelshiker who is clinical co-lead for co-commissioning in NWL, ahead of the appointment of a permanent Lay Member Chair to the Primary Care Co-commissioning Joint Committees, chaired the Joint Committees seminar on 21 May 2015. He opened the session by reminding members that the scope of the committees' work has the potential to drive forward radical change in local primary care, in terms both of service improvement and support of other transformational work. He also set out the committees' approach to declarations of interests.
- 4.2 Dr Ruth O'Hare, who is Dr Kelshiker's co-lead, then gave a presentation on the local context and purpose of primary care co-commissioning in North West London. This set out why the CCGs have pursued co-commissioning and what patient benefits should be anticipated.
- 4.3 The committees also discussed a series of proposed revisions to their terms of reference, designed to reflect updated national guidance and conversations across the CCGs that have taken place since the original version was agreed in March 2015. At all times, the terms of reference is reviewed and agreed jointly amongst the CCGs including Lay Members, Londonwide Local Medical Committee (LMC) and NHS England (NHSE).
- 4.4 Finally, NHSE presented its plans for implementing the national review of Personal Medical Services (PMS) contracts in North West London, including patient benefits, engagement, timelines, and proposed next steps.
- 4.5 Members of the public are invited to observe future meetings of the co-commissioning joint committee and can submit in advance questions related to agenda items. Full details are contained within the meeting agendas, which are contained in the co-commissioning section of the CCG's website.

## **5. Legal Implications**

- 5.1 The co-commissioning structures and processes are being established with NHS England and in line with national guidance.

## **6. Financial Implications**

- 6.1 There are no direct financial implications of this report (although the co-commissioning joint committee is able to take decisions with financial implications, such as the commissioning of new primary care services).

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### **APPENDICES:**

None.

### **BACKGROUND PAPERS:**

- *Next steps towards primary care co-commissioning*, NHS England and NHS Clinical Commissioners, 10 November 2014. Publications Gateway Reference 02501
- Paper 11 for the Central London CCG governing body agenda for 11 March 2015: <http://www.centrollondonccg.nhs.uk/news-publications/publications.aspx?n=2135>