

NHS Future Forum calls on professionals to lead way on person-centred care

The NHS Future Forum has given its second set of reports to Health Secretary Andrew Lansley in which it sets out a series of recommendations to improve the quality of patient care and achieve better outcomes. There are four areas covered: integration, information, the NHS role in public health and education and training. The Government has also published its response and has accepted all of the Forum's recommendations.

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Advice on appointment of directors of public health

Advice on the appointment of directors of public health and on transferring those already in post from the NHS has been issued by the Department of Health and the Local Government Association.

The advice covers the transition period up to 1 April 2013 when, under the Health and Social Care Bill, local authorities will take on new responsibilities for public health services.

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New approach to education and training published

The policy framework for a new approach to NHS workforce planning and the education and training of the health workforce is published today, for introduction as part of the changes accompanying the abolition of Strategic Health Authorities, given the role SHAs play in workforce issues. It sets out the new arrangements that will be led by Health Education England (HEE) and Local Education and Training Boards (LETBs).

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“Development of a CCG “Clear and Credible Plan” – A check list

The North East has recently developed a framework to be used as a useful check list for what a good clear and credible strategic plan for a Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) might look like. These plans are part of the requirement for CCG authorisation. Emerging CCGs and PCT Clusters may find this of help in reviewing strategic plans under development. However the use of the check list is not mandatory and it is not a formal part of this year's Single Integrated Plan submission.

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Practical commissioning support available for neurology

Neurological Commissioning Support (NCS) gives practical support to commissioners who want to plan and deliver more cost effective, better quality neurology services that fit into the QIPP agenda.

The Department of Health has awarded NCS a three year grant to work with clinical commissioning groups in England between 2011 and 2013.

As a result, commissioners in Yorkshire and the Humber who would like to support this process locally are being invited to get involved.

[Click here for more information.](#)

Event

- **Reminder Clinical Commissioning Group Regional Development Network**

6th February 2012, 9.30am – 13.00pm (*Oak House, NHS Rotherham*)

The next meeting of the clinical commissioning group (CCG) regional development network is taking place on 6th February 2012 from 9.30 (10am start) until 13.00pm at NHS Rotherham, Oak House, Rotherham. The network has been established to bring together the organisational development (OD)/ CCG transition leads who are working with emerging CCGs. Clinical Commissioning Group or PCT colleagues involved in OD/CCG transition are welcome to attend.

If you wish to attend, please contact carolyn.ohare@yorksandhumber.nhs.uk.