

Emerging CCGs to get £100m cash injection to improve services

The Department of Health is providing up to £100 million in additional funding to doctors in emerging Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs) to improve local services and reduce pressures on the NHS during the colder months.

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Public health transition guidance

Further national guidance on the public health transition process was published on 13th January providing details on planning and workforce issues. This material aims to support PCTs and local authorities as they develop transition plans for the transformation of the local public health system, including how the transfer of accountability from the NHS to local government will be enacted during the transition year. There is also more specific guidance for local government on the staffing aspects of the public health transition.

[Planning guide for public health transition](#)

[Local government transition guidance on public health workforce](#)

[Local Government Association Media Release](#)

Draft strategy guidance on Joint Strategic Needs Assessments (JSNAs) and joint health and wellbeing strategies

A draft piece of guidance has been published by the Department of Health which provides a framework for NHS and local government to work together to undertake JSNAs and joint health and wellbeing strategies. Views are being sought on the content. The deadline for feedback is 17 February 2012.

Chief executives and local leaders will wish to read the draft guidance and feed back their views in advance of a formal consultation.

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People Transition – staff communication

Plans are being finalised to send all NHS staff affected by transition a personal letter on 31 January 2012. The letter is not part of the formal transition HR process but part of a commitment to share as much information as possible with people as the NHS moves towards transition.

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NHS Standard Contract 2012/13

The NHS standard contract 2012/13 for acute, community, ambulance and mental health and learning disability services and the accompanying supporting documents has been published.

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Liberating the NHS: Developing the healthcare workforce

NHS chief executives are encouraged to work with their SHA cluster to shape the development of the local education and training boards.

Liberating the NHS: Developing the healthcare workforce - from design to delivery was published by the Department of Health on 10 January 2012. The document sets out a new policy framework for the education and training system. It builds on responses to the recent consultation and the advice of the Future Forum.

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Events

Join the clinical commissioning group webchat

Webchat with Barbara Hakin – 23 January 2012

Dame Barbara Hakin, National Managing Director for Commissioning Development will be taking part in an online webchat for emerging clinical commissioning group (CCG) leaders.

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Children and young peoples' health in transition

A series of events are being held for professionals across children and young peoples' health services in the NHS and local government to share good practice to discuss how the current reforms can work to improve the health of young people.

The workshops will provide opportunities for professionals to come together to discuss current issues they are facing, share good practice in improving child health across the system, and identify ways to maintain and improve services during implementation of the health reforms. Each event will focus on one of the four themes - integrated care, general practice and primary care, safeguarding and children with complex needs.

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