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Dear Nick and Lesley

RE: CCG 2017/18 ANNUAL REVIEW

Thank you for meeting with us on 25 April 2018 for your Annual Review Meeting. The purpose of this letter is to provide feedback on the key issues we discussed, and to confirm next steps for the publication of the 2017/18 Annual Performance Assessment.

As you will be aware, NHS England has a statutory duty to conduct an annual performance assessment of each CCG. The Government's Mandate to NHS England specifies the four 'Ofsted-style' headline categories to be used: Outstanding; Good; Requires Improvement and Inadequate.

Whilst the methodology for the calculation of the 2017/18 Annual Performance Assessment has not yet been finalised, as a guide, it is likely that the Quality of Leadership (QoL) indicator will be significantly weighted, and will account for 25% of the overall judgement alongside 25% for the finance indicator and the remaining 50% will be made up of the remaining indicator set.

Reflections on 17/18

We discussed the CCG's key achievements in 2017/18 and particularly the focus the CCG has on improving outcomes for the population of Barnsley. We talked about the plans for the future and the significant leadership role across the wider SYB ICS footprint. I congratulated the CCG on the improvement in the relationship with its acute provider.

You presented a number of key achievements and we discussed in detail the CCG's work on: the primary care model in localities and neighbourhoods, clinical

pharmacists, the neighbourhood nursing model and the nominations for various awards in 2017/18.

We discussed the improvements this year in Urgent and Emergency Care and the rapid recovery that followed the days where performance was poor. You confirmed this year attendances at the Trust had been higher but performance had been slightly better.

I congratulated the team on achieving the finance and QIPP plans for 2017/18. You confirmed that processes are in place to monitor activity numbers and that the PMO works effectively. We talked about QIPP and you confirmed that the Governing Body are asked each month to consider new QIPP plans and that the CCG have robust systems and governance in place.

You congratulated the medicines optimisation team at the CCG who had exceeded their QIPP target this year.

We talked about IAPT and the process with IST. You confirmed that since the review the CCG had gone out to procurement for the service and were currently accepting expressions of interest from organisations up until the 9 May. David Black questioned the ambitious target in the specification and whether some providers would query whether this was achievable. You reassured me that the specification required the provider to work with flexibility which involved monitoring activity and readjusting when necessary.

A discussion took place regarding the progress made in primary care to improve health outcomes. You confirmed that despite challenges in meeting the needs of the population the quality of primary care had vastly improved. The improvements made included, education and professional support, investment in practices and investing in patient participation. The CCG now has fewer single handed practices and primary care at scale continues to reduce unwarranted variation. You confirmed that the locality model will move forward with 6 neighbourhoods.

You updated us on the practice delivery agreement to sustain capacity and resilience in primary care within investment provided to support alternate patient pathways.

Operational and Financial Plans for 2018-19

The CCGs operational and financial plans will be submitted on 30 April 2018. The draft plan indicates that you will meet all the business rules for 2018/19 and includes challenging, but realistic efficiency savings.

ACP

We talked in length on the progress made regarding the ACP. You confirmed that The Barnsley Health and Care Delivery Board was now in place and is discussing areas where the Partnership wants to work together.

You confirmed your intention to go out to procurement for an accountable care organisation for Barnsley. We discussed how the ISAP process might work and some of the learning from Scarborough. We noted the need to consider carefully how the ACO aligns to the core GMS contract and to ensure that you are not unintentionally creating barriers to organisations from outside of Barnsley. We agreed to meet again in June to discuss the ISAP process.

Continuing Healthcare

You confirmed that the CCG now have a strong, improvement focussed team in place and improvement work has been carried out. The CCG plan was to achieve the KPI by quarter 2 at the latest. The CCG had 4 open cases currently.

You confirmed that it had recently been agreed with the Local Authority to fund a post for 12 months.

Any Other Business

David Black thanked Dr Ghani for his involvement in the Hospital Services Review Steering Group.

You confirmed that work was ongoing and the updated Yorkshire and Humber policy for IVF would hopefully be signed off at the next meeting on 25 June.

I gave thanks to Brigid Reid for the significant role she has played both within the CCG and across South Yorkshire and wished her luck with her retirement on 13 July.

I will write to you again in the summer with your finalised Annual Assessment Results. In the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact Alison Knowles, Mark Janvier or myself should you require any further information.

Yours sincerely



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