

## East of England GP Commissioning

Dear Colleague

Welcome to our third weekly update. In the past week I have attended a number of national meetings. As a result I am going to be working closely with peers in the East Midlands and South Central SHA regions to provide advice to DH on the legislative framework for GP Consortia. I will share information as and when it is appropriate. Also you might have seen me on the BBC Politics Show on Sunday morning, where I discussed GP Commissioning with colleagues from the RCN and LINKs.

Below is the key information that I have to share with you.

### **Request for Integrated Commissioning Workstream Members**

Jenny Owen's (Deputy Chief Executive, Essex County Council) paper on joint commissioning and partnership working is attached. As you will see under the next steps section of the paper a joint commissioning work stream within the East of England GP Commissioning Consortia Support programme is being developed and we would like your input.

Jenny is looking for interested GPs who may wish to join this new workstream. If this is an area of work you would like to contribute to, please email me by return and I will keep you up to date with developments, plans and any meetings as things move forward.

*Thanks to those who completed the informatics and public health surveys – a brief on the results will be included with next week's briefing.*

### **Informatics Workshop**

We are planning an informatics workshop for December. In next week's briefing I will confirm the date and provide further details.

### **Best Practice – Total Care pilot**

I attach press clippings regarding the work of IPSCOM in Suffolk around case management. This is a really excellent example of how GP Commissioning can deliver QIPP.

### **Humana Event**

An invitation from Humana is attached. The event is for GPs, Practice Managers, and consortia members to attend a Commissioning Simulator event which will take you through a 4-year commissioning cycle in a single day and demonstrate how commissioners can identify areas for cost efficiency while at the same time improving the quality of patient care.

### **Tribal Briefing**

Attached is the latest discussion paper from Tribal, covering the issues and challenges in the transition.

If you would like further information or discussion on any of the content in the update, please contact Ed Garratt at [ed.garratt@eoe.nhs.uk](mailto:ed.garratt@eoe.nhs.uk) or simply reply to this email.

Kind regards

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