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## By Email

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Dear Councillor Lury,

### **NHS Southwark CCG response to recent overview and scrutiny sub-committee reports**

On behalf of the CCG Governing Body I would like to welcome the reports recently completed by the Adult Social Care, Communities and Citizenship Scrutiny sub-Committee on the topics of access to healthcare and on the prevalence of psychosis in BME populations in Southwark.

As I am sure you are aware, the CCG has been asked to respond to a number of the recommendations included in both of the above reports. Please find attached a short document that provides a CCG response to each recommendation in turn.

In order to provide a full and useful response I have structured the document into three tables. The first table includes the CCG's response to the set of recommendations in the *Access to Healthcare* report for which the CCG has been identified as the primary responsible organisation. In the second table I have provided a commissioner comment on recommendations in the *Access to Healthcare* report, which have been addressed to other organisations within the health and care system in Southwark.

The third table lists the recommendations included in the report *Review of Prevalence of Psychosis and Access to Mental Health Services for the BME Community in Southwark*. As you will no doubt recall, the response to each of the recommendations in this report was coordinated and agreed by all partners ahead of being included in a written response considered by Southwark Council Cabinet on 16 September 2014. To supplement this I have therefore added some further CCG specific comments to our original partnership response. I hope this is of use.

The CCG previously circulated a quarterly summary of performance of commissioned providers against NHS and other national standards to the Adult Social Care, Communities

and Citizenship Scrutiny sub-Committee. I will see that my team continues to send this through to Julie Timbrell for distribution to the Healthy Communities Scrutiny sub-committee. As ever, we are happy to support the sub-committee in any way that we can.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'A. Bland', written in a cursive style.

**Andrew Bland**  
Chief Officer