

Scrutiny review proposal

1 What is the review?

Review into the establishment, transition to and operation of a Clinical Commissioning Consortia in Southwark following changes to the NHS brought about by the government's Health & Adult Social Care Bill which is currently before Parliament.

The review will focus on: i) Transition to the Consortia; ii) Impact of Cost Savings on Patient Care; iii) Conflicts of Interest and iv) Contract Management

2 What outcomes could realistically be achieved? Which agency does the review seek to influence?

This review seeks to influence Southwark Council, the Southwark Clinical Commissioning Consortia, the SE London PCT Cluster, the (to be created) Health & Wellbeing Board, NHS London and central Government.

Achievable outcomes: influence Consortia's internal procedures; influence the transition to/setting of Consortia policies; draw attention to potential risks so that these can be mitigated by the council and consortia.

3 When should the review be carried out/completed? I.e. does the review need to take place before/after a certain time?

Carried out immediately and completed by Jan/Feb 2012

4 What format would suit this review? (e.g. full investigation, Q&A with cabinet member/partners, public meeting, one-off session)

Investigation

5 What are some of the key issues that you would like the review to look at?

i) Transition to the Consortia; ii) Impact of Cost Savings on Patient Care; iii) Conflicts of Interest and iv) Contract Management

6 Who would you like to receive evidence and advice from during the review?

Southwark Council, Southwark Clinical Commissioning Consortia, Acute Trusts, SEL PCT Cluster, Southwark LiNK

7 Any suggestions for background information? Are you aware of any best practice on this topic?

HASC Bill, NHS Future Forum Report, Govt's Response to NHS FF Report, Guidance/draft policies drafted by SEL PCT Cluster/Consortia.

8 What approaches could be useful for gathering evidence? What can be done outside committee meetings?

e.g. verbal or written submissions, site visits, mystery-shopping, service observation, meeting with stakeholders, survey, consultation event

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