

To all Croydon Practices

6<sup>th</sup> October 2017

Dear Colleagues

### **PMS Review**

I hope all colleagues who attended the PMS Review meeting on Tuesday evening found it helpful and I enclose the presentation used on that occasion.

I am now writing to suggest next steps and pick up some of the issues discussed that evening.

- **Any queries or comments:** if any colleagues have any questions about the information received so far, or in relation to the presentation, please email either Richard [[richard.brown@sslmcs.co.uk](mailto:richard.brown@sslmcs.co.uk)] or myself [ [Julius.parker@sslmcs.co.uk](mailto:Julius.parker@sslmcs.co.uk) ]. It would be very helpful to know these as soon as possible as the LMC will then discuss any concerns with Croydon CCG and NHS England.
- **Outstanding queries from the evening:**
  - Applicability of Schedule 1 performance management process to PMS core contract
  - Contractual vehicle for GMS Contractors to deliver PMS Premium services: this is with NHS England and should be available shortly
  - GP Practice Team to deliver RACPC patient review
  - Action Plan training: NHS England are planning to provide a template Action Plan and the LMC is arranging for a training session within Croydon – further details later
  - Financial Transition arrangements
  - Coding: NHS England have been asked to incorporate relevant coding schedules within the PMC Service Specifications
  - Health Service Body Status: I enclose a letter the LMC makes available to practices on this issue; unfortunately the LMC cannot provide further advice.
  - The PMS Contract is identical to the GMS Contract except:
    - PMS Contractors retain a right to GMS reversion
    - The Commissioner is entitled to terminate the PMS Contract with six months notice

I will write again to practices once these and, hopefully, any outstanding issues are clarified.

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The LMC believes it is now realistic for colleagues to aim to have made a decision about whether to sign up to the contract by 31<sup>st</sup> October 2017. Surrey and Sussex LMC cannot agree a PMS Contract on any practices behalf; instead, the LMC believes it has negotiated the best overall contractual deal available in the circumstances, using as its primary principle practice requests for financial, contractual and workload stability. The final decision must be for practices but the LMC would appreciate early contact with any practice with any queries or concerns.

With best wishes

Yours sincerely

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Dr Julius Parker  
**Chief Executive**