

Partnership Update – January 2020

Welcome to our first monthly newsletter, to inform our colleagues, partners and local people about the work of ELHCP. If you have any content you would like included or have any queries please email us at elhcp.enquiries@nhs.net.

In brief

Long Term Plan update

The final draft of north east London's response to the NHS Long Term Plan (LTP) was submitted to NHS England on 15 November 2019. The final draft is now on our website – www.eastlondonhcp.nhs.uk - under our plans (or full URL). We are presenting at meetings such as trust boards, Health and Wellbeing Boards and Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny committees to discuss our draft response before it is finalised. We hope to publish our final response in March 2020, subject to NHS England/Improvement approval.

An Integrated Care System for north east London

The Long Term Plan sets out how local areas should create Integrated Care Systems (ICS) by April 2021 to support the delivery of our ambitions and build on progress already being made locally to bring health and care together. In north east London this will give local people more options, better support and properly joined-up care at the right time in the best place. We are currently developing our vision document which sets out what the ICS will look like, the benefits it will bring and why the ICS will give us the best possible outcomes for local people. For more information please contact the team: nel-ics.pmo@nhs.net

Marie Gabriel as NEL ICS Chair

We are delighted to welcome Marie Gabriel as the new Chair for our emerging north east London ICS. Marie brings a wealth of experience from her 20 years as a non-executive director in a number of roles across north east London including most recently as chair of East London Foundation Trust.. Marie starts in her new role on 1 April 2020 and will help us drive forward the development of our ICS and play an integral role in leading greater partnership working between the NHS, local authorities and the wider system. Special thanks and best wishes go to Rob Whiteman, who had stood down from his role as ELHCP chair.

East London Citizens' Panel

Did you know nearly 1,200 people from across east London belong to our citizens' panel. Members are representative of the people living and working in north east London and regularly complete online surveys and their feedback helps us shape our plans and local services. We have just published our first East London Citizens' Panel members' newsletter which you can read by clicking [here](#). Health and care staff interested using the Citizens' Panel should contact us at elhcp.enquiries@nhs.net

Programme updates

Children and Young People

Welcome Dr Joanne Beckmann – Children’s Ambassador for north east London

We are delighted that Dr Joanne Beckmann, Consultant Community Paediatrician of the Specialist Children and Young People's Services at East London Foundation Trust, has become our new Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health Children’s Ambassador for north east London. This is a voluntary role and Dr Beckmann will be working alongside us to advise, guide and advocate for children and young people as we develop and implement health and care services.

Maternity

Demand and capacity review

We are undertaking a review of demand and capacity across our maternity and neonatal services. This will include engaging with local women to find out where they chose to give birth and why. The review will involve working closely with our three hospital providers and we aim for it to be completed by spring 2020. We will provide updates on the review through this newsletter.

Midwives given choice of where to work

Did you know that north east London is the first area in the country giving midwives the choice about where they want to work? This is being done through a ‘midwifery rotation’ pilot, which means that our midwives can choose to work shifts in any of our five maternity units. Earlier this year we ran a workshop to help us understand the challenges of organising this style of working as well as the benefits for staff and the trusts involved. We are now asking more of our midwives for expressions of interest to take part in this pilot. For more information email laima.mukasa@nhs.net

Mental health

Mental health services transformation

North east London is one of 12 areas across England that has received funding to transform mental health services in line with the new Community Mental Health Framework and NHS Long Term Plan. The idea is to support more people to look after their mental health where they live, by bringing together mental health services with GP practices, the voluntary sector, and community groups and activities. It has been that we will focus initially on inner east London with a view to rolling out across north east London.

Late last year, we held a launch event which brought together stakeholders, people with lived experience of ill mental health and residents from across inner east London - City and Hackney, Tower Hamlets and Newham.



Attendees spent the day working together to explore how we can best provide joined up mental health care for our local population – have a look at more of the photos and outputs from the day by clicking [here](#).

Primary Care

NEL Primary Care Expo

Primary Care Networks (PCNs) are a key part of the NHS Long Term Plan, typically covering 30,000 – 50,000 patients, and consisting of groups of GP surgeries working together with a range of local health and care providers, including across primary care, community services, social care and the voluntary sector. There are 48 primary care networks in north east London.

Earlier this month we held our first Primary Care Expo, showcasing the support on offer across north east London in developing PCNs. It was a huge success, attracting over 200 attendees, including our north east London PCN clinical directors and their member GP practice teams. There were presentations on a range of areas including social prescribing, workforce and integrated care, and attendees were encouraged to network and visit stalls for more information. The next north east London PCN development event is planned for June 2020.



Workforce

Best of luck to our 54 new Physician Associate students!

This month 54 Physician Associate students are starting their 24-month course at Queen Mary University (QMUL) of London. The course is specifically designed for graduates with a background in the life sciences, biomedicine, health sciences, or allied health professionals and, on completion, students can work in a multidisciplinary team alongside doctors, nurses, surgeons and GPs, providing medical care to patients in hospital and in community settings. This is the fourth cohort and past graduates are currently employed in primary care and hospitals across north east London.