

Local Medical Committee (LMC) – 11 January 2021

Primary Care Sub Group – 27 January 2021

Primary Care Committee – 10 February 2021

Local Enhanced Service (LES) 2021/22 - revisions to service specifications

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Purpose:

To advise the Primary Care Committee (PCC) of the revisions to the Local Enhanced Service Specifications for commissioning in 2021/22.

Background:

All 12 GP Local Enhanced Service specifications, two Pharmacy Local Enhanced Service specifications and two Optometry Local Enhanced Service specifications are reviewed annually. NHS Rotherham CCG works in conjunction with the LMC, LPC and LOC around changes in relation to re-commissioning the LES specifications. Those changes are then ultimately approved by the Primary Care Committee.

Primary Care Delegation Responsibility:

Does this paper relate to Rotherham CCG or delegated business?

Rotherham CCG	
Delegated	
Both Rotherham CCG and delegated	√

Please indicate which area of delegated responsibility this paper covers:

Commissioning, procurement and management of GMS,PMS and APMS contracts including taking contractual action	
Newly designed enhanced services (including DES)	
Local incentive schemes	
Discretionary payments	
Commissioning urgent care for out of area registered patients	
Planning Primary medical care services (PMCS)	√
Managing practices with CQC / quality concerns	
Decisions on premise cost directions	
Planning the commissioning of PMCS	
Manage the delegated allocation for commissioning of PMCS	
Assurance to the governing body on the quality and safety of PMCS	

Please indicate which of the Delegated Duties Decisions this paper requires:-

Delegated Duties – iii – Decisions in relation to the establishment	N/A
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of new GP practices (including branch surgeries) and closures of GP practices.		
Delegated Duties – iv –Decisions about ‘discretionary payments’.	N/A	
Delegated Duties – v – Decisions about commissioning urgent care (including home visits as required) for out of area registered patients.	N/A	
Delegated Duties – b – The approval of practice mergers.	N/A	

Analysis of key issues and of risks

Remuneration

The CCG is awaiting the release of the 2021/22 Planning Guidance which will inform the application of uplifts to the individual LES payments.

Review of services

NHS Rotherham CCG has reviewed the following Local Enhanced Services and has identified below the sections where changes have been required:-

General Practice Local Enhanced Services

Change made to all LES Specifications:

- **Period** - Dates on all LES’ amended to 1 April 2021 to 31 March 2022
- **Read codes** - Any specifications with Read codes inserted are being reviewed by the Data Quality team for inclusion of SNOMED codes where appropriate.

Anticoagulation Service Specification

- This specification and associated documentation remains under review at this time.

Anticoagulation Appendices – Quick Reference Document on Anticoagulation with Warfarin

- As above

Anticoagulation Appendix A – Requirements of the Provider Standard Operating Procedure (SOP)

- As above

Aural Care Service Specification – No changes made.

Aural Care - Impacted Earwax Referral – No changes made.

Case Management and Health Reviews for those aged 65 and over and on enhanced frailty index Service Specification

- Throughout the document ‘Yr9’ has been changed to ‘Yr10’
- **Sections 1 – Summary** – Date changed from ‘2019/20’ to ‘2021/22’
- **Section 1.1 – Full Case Management** – text added to second paragraph ‘including patients on the palliative care register’
- **Section 2.2.5 – Timescales** – dates changed to ‘1 April 2021 to 31 March 2022’

CEA Follow Up Service Specification – No changes made

Deep Vein Thrombosis (DVT) Service Specification

- Remains under review at this time.

Minor Surgery Service Specification

- **Section 4.3** – changed activity outturn dates from ‘2019-20’ to ‘2020-21’
- **Section 4.3** – changed cap dates from ‘2020-21’ to ‘2021-22’

Phlebotomy Service Specification

- **Section 4.3** – Changed average activity dates from ‘2019-20’ to ‘2020-21’
- **Section 4.3** - Changed caps for ‘2020-21’ changed to ‘2021-22’
- **Section 4.3** – Changed based on dates from ‘2019-20’ to ‘2020-21’

PSA Service Specification – No changes made.

Shared Care Drugs Service Specification

- **Sections 3.1 & 3.7** – Changed ‘Intramuscular’ to Intramuscular’
- **Rotherham Shared Care Protocols table** – No changes made.

Severe Mental Illness (SMI) Service Specification

- **Title** – Changed to include abbreviation (SMI).

Suture Removal Service Specification – No changes made.

Transgender Service Specification – No changes made.

The individual specifications can be accessed via the following link:

<http://www.rotherhamccg.nhs.uk/about-us/primary-care-committee-papers.htm>

Risks identified

Under NHS England and NHS Improvement’s ‘Investment and Evolution: A five-year framework for GP contract reform to implement The NHS Long Term Plan’ programme, five new national specifications were due to be implemented from April 2020.

However, two of these were delayed until 2021/22 – Personalised Care and Anticipatory Care. The new Anticipatory Care specification may duplicate some or all elements of the current Case Management LES. NHS England and NHS Improvement ordinarily release guidance prior to the services being introduced but as at January 2021, this guidance is not yet available for review.

In the meantime, the CCG proposes to continue to commission the current LES until further guidance has been received, to enable the CCG to determine what, if any, duplication exists.

Pharmacy Local Enhanced Service Specifications

In conjunction with the Local Pharmaceutical Committee (LPC) the following Local Enhanced Service (LES) specifications have been reviewed and will be contracted as per CCG process in 2021/22.

Amendment made - Dates have been amended to reflect the 2021/22 contracting timeframe and revised drug tariff costs as at Jan 2021; no other changes have been made.

- **Over the Counter Labelling Scheme**
- **Palliative Care Drugs**

Optometry Local Enhanced Service Specifications Local Optometry Committee (LOC) will receive the following Local Enhanced Service (LES) specifications for information and will be contracted as per CCG process in 2021/22.

Amendment made - Dates have been amended to reflect the 2021/22 contracting timeframe; no other changes have been made.

- **Cataracts**
- **Ocular Hypertension**

Local Incentive Scheme (LIS)

This specification remains under review at this time.

Patient, Public and Stakeholder Involvement:

All 2021/22 GP Local Enhanced Services (LES) Specifications as listed above have been received by LMC on 11 January 2021 with feedback provided at LMC Officers meeting on the 25 January 2021.

Equality Impact:

No impact to NHS Rotherham CCG as services already in place.

Financial Implications:

Planning guidance was due to be published late January 2021, however this has been further delayed. CCG Officers will review on receipt, with regard to uplifting General Practice Local Enhanced Services.

Human Resource Implications:

N/A

Procurement Advice:

N/A

Data Protection Impact Assessment:

N/A

Approval history:

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Recommendations:

The Primary Care Committee is requested to approve the proposed changes and continued commissioning of the services into 2021/22.

Paper is for Approval