

# NHS Rotherham Clinical Commissioning Group

Primary Care sub-group – 25 September 2019

Primary Care Committee – 9 October 2019

## Care Home Alignment Appraisal 2019-20

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### Purpose:

A review of GP Care Home alignment to establish coverage following re-commissioning of the Care Homes Local Enhanced Service (LES) for 2019/20.

### Background:

In early 2016 the Rotherham Clinical Commissioning Group (RCCG) looked to introduce a care home alignment scheme. The scheme would align care homes in Rotherham with a Rotherham GP practice, with the exception of Learning Disability care.

The purpose of the alignment was to introduce an enhanced service for residents in care homes. It was also introduced to attempt to reduce emergency admissions from care homes as numbers were high.

After much negotiation this alignment took place and all care homes and GP practices involved in the alignment (as not all practices took part) signed an Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) and agreed to the terms in the MOU.

In previous years, less than 75% of practices signed up to deliver the Care Homes LES, which meant that it could not be considered part of the Basket of Services (Local Enhanced Services that must be delivered or subcontracted by all practices). For 2019/20, 76% of practices have signed up to deliver the service. In light of this, RCCG has undertaken a review to establish what service provision is in place, and how many patients are being managed by practices outside of the LES.

The publication *'Investment and Evolution: A five-year framework for GP contract reform to implement The NHS Long Term Plan'* indicated that NHS England plans to introduce a national service specification in 2020/21 around management of patients residing in care homes. Whilst the service specification has not yet been published, initial indications are that it would be organised by Primary Care Networks and provide the following:

- Comprehensive weekly visits
- Regular clinical pharmacist-led reviews
- Liaison with emergency services to provide emergency support
- Effective care planning for residents nearing the end of their lives
- Supporting care homes to promote good oral health as well as maintaining good hydration and nourishment levels

A publication date has not yet been given for the detailed specification.

### Delegation responsibility:

Please tick 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 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	

### Analysis of key issues and of risks

A survey was undertaken with the Rotherham care homes to identify how many residents were currently living in the home, how many were receiving care under the Care Homes LES and how many were being looked after by practices outside of the LES.

Thirty-three out of 36 care homes responded to the survey. The returns identified the numbers of patients currently residing in the homes against the number of residents currently receiving the Care Homes LES at that home (appendix 1).

When a patient moves into a home, they do have the option to either register with the practice aligned to deliver the Care Home LES at that home or remain with their original GP practice if the home is within its boundary. For some of the homes this is why there seems to be a discrepancy between the total number of residents and the number covered by the Care Homes LES.

Layden Court is showing 18 patients not currently covered by the LES. The home has confirmed that the majority of these patients are registered with Blyth Road Surgery which is happy to continue to provide services to these patients.

There have been a number of issues regarding patients residing at The Abbeys and Broadacres not being covered by the LES. These issues have been resolved as High Street Surgery have agreed to take on all the patients within the home that wish to register with them and The Gate are now providing the LES to Broadacres.

Ordinarily, RCCG would undertake discussions with the seven practices not commissioned to provide the Care Homes LES with a view to aligning them under the Basket of Services. However, the scheduled introduction of the new *Enhanced Health in Care Homes Service* in 2020/21 would mean that practices would be asked to set up and implement a new service in-year, only to potentially change that service from April

2020.

Therefore, it is proposed that discussions commence with the Primary Care Networks around how the new service may be provided from April 2020, to ensure full population coverage.

**Patient, Public and Stakeholder Involvement:**

Not applicable

**Equality Impact:**

Not applicable

**Financial Implications:**

Not applicable

**Human Resource Implications:**

Not applicable

**Procurement Advice:**

Not applicable

**Data Protection Impact Assessment:**

Not applicable

**Approval history:**

**Recommendations:**

The committee is asked to note the outcome of the survey pending the publication of the national specification.

**Paper is for Noting.**

## Appendix 1

Name of Care Home	Name of aligned GP practice that delivers the local enhanced service	The total number of residents at the home	Number of residents are covered by the local enhanced service	Number of residents in not covered by the care home enhanced service
Ackroyd Clinic	St Anne's	50	37	13 TOC residents
Alexandra Nursing Care Home	York Road Surgery	45	35	10
Ashton Court	Blyth Road Surgery	20	17	3
Athorpe Lodge	Dinnington Group Practice	72	72	0
Broadacres	Greasbrough The Gate	42	30 12	0
Broom Lane Care Home	Broom Lane	58	53	5
Byron Lodge Care Home	Market Surgery	36	36	0
Cambron House Care Home	Stag Medical Centre	25	25	0
Cherry Trees	Broom Lane	60	54	6
Davies Court	Dinnington Group Practice	56	56	0
Eastwood House	St Anns Medical Centre	34	34	0
Emyvale House Care Home	Market Surgery	11	11	0
Laurette Court	Clifton	59	59	0
Lord Hardy Court	The Gate	30	30	0
Ladyfield	Kiveton Practice	48	48	0
Layden Court Care Home	Manorfield Surgery Queens Medical Practice	90	Manor field = 53 Queens = 19	18
Meadow View Care Home	Magna Group	36	36	0
Moorgate Croft	St Ann's Medical Centre	31	25	6
Moorgate Hollow	St Ann's Medical Centre	21	19	2
Moorgate Lodge	St Ann's Medical Centre	51	48	3
Mulberry Manor	Crown Street Surgery	25	25	0
Rotherwood Residential Home	St Ann's Medical Centre	24	22	2
Sandygate Care Home	Market Surgery	47	47	0
Silverwood Care Home	Morthen Road Group Practice Wickersley Health Centre	63	33 27	3
Swallownest Care Home	Swallownest Health Centre	50	50	0
Swinton Grange	Crown street	25	25	0
The Abbeyes	High Streety Surgery	45	45	0
The Beeches	Market Surgery	43	38	5
Treeton Grange Care Home	Treeton Medical Practice	45	45	0
Waterside Grange	Village Surgery	80	77	3 discharge beds
Wentworth Hall	Thorpe Hesley Surgery	18	18	0
West Melton Lodge	Market Surgery	16	16	0
Woodlands Care Home	Dinnington Group Practice	40	40	0