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To: Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee, 4 September 2015

Subject: Kent and Medway Hyper Acute and Acute Stroke Services Review

Summary: This report invites the Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee to consider the information provided by Kent and Medway CCGs.

It provides additional background information which may prove useful to Members.

1. Introduction

- (a) On 17 July 2015 the Committee considered the case for change for the Kent and Medway Hyper Acute and Acute Stroke Services Review. The Committee's deliberations resulted in agreeing the following recommendation:
 - RESOLVED that the report be noted and Kent and Medway CCGs be invited to submit an update to the Committee at its September meeting.

2. Potential Substantial Variation of Service

- (a) If the Committee believes it has been provided with sufficient information, it may choose to make a determination as to whether the proposal changes constitutes a substantial variation of service, please refer to the recommendations below.
- (b) The Committee may defer making a determination if it feels additional information is required and may request further briefings and attendance at future meetings of the Committee.
- (b) Medway Health and Adult Social Care Overview and Scrutiny Committee considered the item on 11 August 2015. They determined that this item constituted a substantial variation of service. If the HOSC determines the proposed service change to be substantial, a Joint HOSC will need to be established.
- (c) If the HOSC deems this service change as <u>not being substantial</u>, this does not prevent the HOSC from reviewing the proposed change at its discretion and making reports and recommendations to the Kent CCGs.
- (d) If the HOSC determines this proposed change of service to be substantial, a timetable for consideration of the change will need to be agreed between the Joint HOSC and Kent and Medway CCGs. The timetable will include the proposed date that Kent and Medway CCGs intends to make a decision as to whether to proceed with the proposal

- and the date by which the HOSC will provide any comments on the proposal.
- (e) If a Joint HOSC is established, the power to refer to the Secretary of State will not be delegated to the joint committee, the power to refer will remain with the individual committees (Kent HOSC and Medway HASC) which appointed the joint committee.

3. Stroke Rehabilitation

(a) In response to a specific question about stroke rehabilitation on 17 July, it was explained that rehabilitation services were not part of the review and that the CCGs would be happy for the Committee to scrutinise these services separately. However Kent CCGs have provided the attached appendices on stroke rehabilitation services as background information for this item:

NHS Ashford and NHS Canterbury & Coastal CCG pages 23 - 24
NHS South Kent Coast CCG pages 25 - 26
NHS Thanet CCG pages 27 - 28
NHS West Kent CCG pages 29 - 32

4. Recommendation

If the proposals are not substantial:

RECOMMENDED that:

- (a) the Committee does not deem the proposals to be a substantial variation of service.
- (b) Kent and Medway CCGs be invited to submit a report to the Committee in six months.

If the proposals are *substantial*:

RECOMMENDED that:

- (a) the Committee deems the proposals to be a substantial variation of service.
- (b) a Joint HOSC be established with Medway Council, with the Kent HOSC receiving updates on the work of the Joint Committee.

Background Documents

Kent County Council (2015) 'Agenda, Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee (17/07/2015)',

https://democracy.kent.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?Cld=112&Mld=5841&Ver=4

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