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Subject: **The Kent Better Care Fund**

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Summary: This paper presents the final submission of the Kent Better Care Fund Plan (KBCF) 2016/17, the approval process and development of the S75 Agreement. It also presents the final outturn position for the KBCF 2015/16.

FOR INFORMATION

1. Introduction

- 1.1 Kent's Better Care Fund for 2015/16 sought to implement the building blocks for establishing an integrated system. The Kent Plan for 2016/17 builds on these early developments to support the implementation of Sustainability and Transformation Plans (STP's) and ensure a fully integrated system by 2020.
- 1.2 It was agreed at the March Health and Wellbeing Board (HWB) that the Better Fund Plan would be signed off before the next HWB on 25th May. The final submission was made on 5th May and was agreed by Roger Gough, Chair of Kent HWB, on 29th April, prior to its submission.

2. The 2016/17 Kent Plan

- 2.1 As in 2015/16 the Better Care Fund will contribute to improving outcomes identified within the Health and Wellbeing Strategy:
 - Effective prevention of ill health by people taking greater responsibility for their health and wellbeing.
 - The quality of life for people with long term conditions is enhanced and they have access to good quality care and support.
 - People with dementia are assessed and treated earlier.
- 2.2 Each health economy via the existing BCF Section 75 agreement has governance and project management arrangements in place to deliver the required new models of care. For example an Integrated Executive Programme Board exists in North Kent, Thanet and South Kent Coast with a multi-agency approach.
- 2.3 In broad terms the plans and how each of these areas will contribute to the required national conditions is outlined below.

2016/17 Schemes	National conditions supported
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Integrated working through local models that deliver 7 day access 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delivery of 7-day services Data sharing between health and social care
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop models that support integrated working 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Joint approach to assessment and care planning Invest in NHS commissioned out of hospital services
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Self-Management 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Invest in NHS commissioned out of hospital services Delayed Transfers of Care
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maintenance of Social Care 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maintain provision of social care services
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Disabled Facilities Grant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Invest in NHS commissioned out of hospital services Delayed Transfers of Care
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Implementation of the Care Act 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maintain provision of social care services
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Carers support 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Invest in NHS commissioned out of hospital services Delayed Transfers of Care
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delayed Transfers of Care – action plan 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Invest in NHS and social care commissioned out of hospital services Joint approach to assessment and care planning Delayed Transfers of Care

2.4 In 2015/16 the national allocation for the Kent Better Care Fund was £101m. For 2016/17 this has been increased to £105m. The Social Care Capital Grant has ceased and the Disabled Facilities Grant has been increased from £7.2m to £13.1m. The detailed allocations are as follows:

Contributions to BCF	£m Contribution	What's included
Social Care (via CCGs)	£32.4m	Includes £28.7m Protection of Social Care and £3.5m for Care Act Implementation.
CCGs	£59.8m	Includes Carer's Break Funding £3.4m; Out of Hospital Commissioned and DTOC Services £26.2m.
District/Boroughs	£13.1m	Disabled Facilities Grant.
Total BCF Funding	£105.3m	

3. Assurance Process

3.1 For 2016/17 the assurance process has become integrated within the core NHS operating and assurance process. The first stage of the overall assurance of plans was local sign-off by the relevant local authority and CCGs. The policy framework

signals the needs for stability in 2016/17, and a reduction in the overall planning and assurance requirements on local areas. There was no national assurance process and regional teams work with the Better Care Fund Support Team to provide assurance to the national Integration Partnership Board. HWB's are expected to sign off the final version of plans submitted. Due to timing issues NHS England agreed that the Plan could be endorsed by the Health and Wellbeing Board on 25th May 2016 after the final submission on 5th May 2016.

- 3.2 The second submission was made on 21st March 2016 and was 'partial assured' with development areas highlighted for the final submission. Whilst the complexity of the Kent system was acknowledged there is a requirement for greater detail on Risk Share, 7 Day Services and DTOC. As well as milestones and delivery plans. National Support has been provided and the Kent team secured three days from PPL Consulting. A workshop took place on 21st April to develop a clear understanding of the requirements to ensure a fully assured plan. Further work will take place in the first quarter to develop the 7 day services and DTOC plans.

4. S75 Agreement

- 4.1 There is a requirement for the S75 agreement to be signed off by 30th June 2016. A Deed of Variation is being drafted to cover a continuation the joint commissioning arrangements during 2016/17. This will include the revised agreement covering the funds flow and scheme details.

5. KBCF 2015/16 Outturn

The table below shows the summarised outturn position:

	Budget	Outturn	Variance
Revenue	90,768.6	90,768.6	0.0
Capital	10,640.0	9,574.3	-1,065.7
TOTAL	101,408.6	100,342.9	-1,065.7

The Capital underspend is due to £1.3m Care Act IT Monies and £200k Social Care Capital Grant (which has been rolled forward) offset by an overspend on the Disabled Facilities Grant of £400k. The detailed position is shown within Appendix Two.

6. Recommendations

The Kent Health and Wellbeing Board is asked to:

- (1) Endorse the Kent BCF plan and submission made to NHS England.
- (2) Note the work undertaken as part of the assurance process.
- (3) Note the progress made towards the S75 Agreement 2016/17.

(4) Note the KBCF 2015/16 Outturn Position.

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Appendix One – Kent Better Care Fund Plan 2016/17

Appendix Two – Kent Better Care Fund Outturn 2015/16