



**Lincolnshire Teaching Primary Care Trust**

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Dear Colleague

## Changes to the NHS in Lincolnshire

As you will be aware the Government set out its radical new vision for the health service in England; *Equity and Excellence: Liberating the NHS* (published July 2010).

Over the past two years we have been progressing the transition and moving towards the new system. I would therefore like to take this opportunity to inform you of the changes to the local NHS in Lincolnshire following these reforms.

Primary Care Trusts (PCTs) will be abolished on the 31 March 2013 and this means that from that time NHS Lincolnshire will no longer exist as a statutory organisation. Clinicians and GPs are at the centre of the changes to the NHS and from April 2013 Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs) will take on the responsibility for commissioning (buying) the majority of healthcare for the population of Lincolnshire.

Please note that all future correspondence should be directed to the lead CCG in your area from the 1 April 2013 as noted below.

### 1. Clinical Commissioning Groups in Lincolnshire

| Name and details of CCG  | Contact Details   |
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| <p><b>NHS Lincolnshire East CCG</b><br/>Representing 30 practices across the East Lincolnshire area with a registered population of 240,000.<br/>The CCG incorporates three localities - East Lindsey, Skegness and Coast, and Boston and includes three hospitals Boston Pilgrim, Skegness Community and Louth Hospital within the patch. The CCG will lead on the commissioning of Lincolnshire Community Health Services NHS Trust, East Midlands Ambulance NHS Trust, LIVES and services</p> | <p>Accountable Officer: Gary James</p> <p>Address:<br/>Cross O'Cliff<br/>Bracebridge Heath<br/>Lincoln<br/>LN4 2HN</p> <p>Tel: 01522 513355</p> <p>Website:<br/><a href="https://www.lincolnshireeastccg.nhs.uk/">https://www.lincolnshireeastccg.nhs.uk/</a></p> |

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| associated with the urgent care pathway, and will be the associate commissioner for North Lincolnshire and Goole Hospitals NHS Trust.  | Twitter: @NHSLincsEast  |
| <p><b>NHS Lincolnshire West CCG</b><br/> Representing 38 member practices, the CCG covers the north-western part of Lincolnshire and includes the City of Lincoln, West Lindsey District Council area (including Gainsborough, Scotter and Hibaldstow) and the northern part of North Kesteven District Council's area as far south as Metheringham. It is responsible for commissioning healthcare for over 220,000 people over an area of about 420 square miles. The CCG will lead on commissioning of United Lincolnshire Hospitals NHS Trust and St Barnabas Hospice.</p> | Accountable Officer: Dr Sunil Hindocha<br><br>Address:<br>Cross O'Cliff<br>Bracebridge Heath<br>Lincoln<br>LN4 2HN<br><br>Tel: 01522 513355<br><br>Website:<br><a href="https://www.lincolnshirewestccg.nhs.uk/">https://www.lincolnshirewestccg.nhs.uk/</a><br><br>Twitter: @NHSLincsWest                      |
| <p><b>NHS South West Lincolnshire CCG</b><br/> Representing 19 practices across the South West Lincolnshire area, with a registered population of 128,000, covering the towns of Sleaford and Grantham and the villages of Ruskington, Ancaster and Corby Glen. It also contains Grantham Hospital within its patch. The CCG is the lead commissioner of Lincolnshire Partnership Foundation NHS Trust and the lead for any issues concerning Nottingham University Hospitals NHS Trust. It will also host the commissioning Safeguarding Team</p>                             | Accountable Officer: Allan Kitt<br><br>Contact details will be available soon on the following website:<br><a href="https://www.southwestlincolnshireccg.nhs.uk/">https://www.southwestlincolnshireccg.nhs.uk/</a><br><br>Twitter: @SWLincs_NHS   |
| <p><b>NHS South Lincolnshire CCG</b><br/> Representing 15 practices across the South Lincolnshire area, with a registered population of 157,000, covering 585 square miles including the towns of Spalding, Holbeach, Long Sutton Bourne, Market Deeping and Stamford, and containing two hospitals within its patch; Johnson Hospital, Spalding and Stamford and Rutland Hospital. They will be the lead CCG in Lincolnshire on commissioning services from Peterborough and Stamford Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust.</p>   | Accountable Officer: Gary Thompson<br><br>Address:<br>Stamford & Rutland Hospital.<br>Ryhall Road<br>Stamford<br>Lincoln<br>PE9 1UA<br><br>Tel: 01522 573939<br><br>Website:<br><a href="https://www.southlincolnshireccg.nhs.uk/">https://www.southlincolnshireccg.nhs.uk/</a><br><br>Twitter: @NHS_SouthLincs |

## 2. National Commissioning Board

From April 2013 the NHS Commissioning Board will take on many of the current functions of the PCTs as well as some nationally-based functions currently undertaken by the Department of Health. The new arrangements will make sure all primary care services are commissioned using the same model, which up until now has been done differently by PCTs and their predecessors.

You can find out more about the National Commissioning Board by viewing their website at <http://www.commissioningboard.nhs.uk/>

### **3. Commissioning Board Area Teams**

There are 27 Commissioning Board Area Teams (CBAT) – the team covering Lincolnshire is the Leicestershire and Lincolnshire Commissioning Board Area Team. GP, pharmacy, dental and optical services will be commissioned by the CBAT. Other key responsibilities include development and assurance of CCGs, emergency planning amongst others. In addition, ten CBATs (including Leicestershire and Lincolnshire) will lead on specialised commissioning across England. A smaller number of CBATs will commission other services, such as military and prison health.

For all issues concerning Primary Care Commissioning as detailed above, please forward all correspondence to:

David Sharp  
Area Director Leicestershire and Lincolnshire Commissioning Board Area Team  
Fosse House  
6 Smith Way  
Enderby  
Leicester LE19 1SX

### **4. Public Health**

The Public Health function of the PCT is being transferred to Lincolnshire County Council. For all public health issues please contact:

Dr Tony Hill  
Director of Public Health  
Lincolnshire County Council  
15/17, The Avenue  
Lincoln  
LN1 1PD

Tel 01522 553960

### **5. Greater East Midlands Commissioning Support Unit (GEM)**

All the Lincolnshire CCGs will receive their commissioning support through the Greater East Midlands Commissioning Support Unit known as GEM. GEM is an NHS Organisation and is part of the National Commissioning Board.

The local office of GEM will be based at Cross O'Cliff Court, Bracebridge Heath, Lincoln, LN4 2HN. Please contact Fleur Taylor, Chief Operating Officer Central, at this address or on tel 01522 513355.

## 6. NHS Property Services

The Estates and Facilities function will transfer to NHS Property Services Ltd (PropCo) on the 1 April 2013.

PropCo has been set up by the Department of Health to manage all the Primary Care Trust estate not transferred to Providers. Whilst it is a Limited company it will be an important part of the NHS family. The organisation will own sites across England but will retain a local focus providing strategic and operational management of NHS estates, property and facilities.

You can find out more information at [www.property.nhs.uk](http://www.property.nhs.uk)

## 7. Lincolnshire Workforce Advisory Board

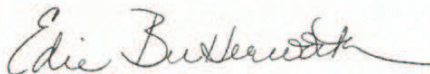
The Lincolnshire Workforce Advisory board is becoming part of the East Midlands Local Education and Training Board (LETB).

The East Midlands LETB will be the vehicle for providers and professionals (working with [Health Education England](http://www.healtheducationengland.org)) to improve the quality of education and training outcomes so that they meet the needs of service providers, patients and the public.

You can find out more about them at: [www.eastmidlandsletb.net](http://www.eastmidlandsletb.net)

To find out more on the NHS reforms please visit the Department of Health website at <http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/index.htm>

Yours faithfully



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