

S256 AGREEMENT - FUNDING TRANSFER FROM NHS TO LONDON BOROUGH OF HILLINGDON

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Papers with report	Appendix 1 - Section 256 Agreement: Funding Transfer from NHS to London Borough of Hillingdon

1. HEADLINE INFORMATION

Summary	This report seeks approval for the direction of travel in the S256 funding agreement signed off on 30 May 2013 by the Corporate Director of Social Care & Health and the Chief Operating Officer of the Hillingdon Clinical Commissioning Group.
Contribution to our plans and strategies	Health and Wellbeing Strategy
Financial Cost	£3.7m of funding in 2013/14 has been made available for the London Borough of Hillingdon with the objective of supporting social care where it benefits health.
Relevant Policy Overview Committees	Social Services, Housing and Public Health
Ward(s) affected	All

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Health and Wellbeing Board:

1. notes that the S256 funding agreement was reviewed by the Shadow Health and Wellbeing Board on 19 February 2013 and then signed off on 30 May 2013 by the Corporate Director of Social Care & Health and the Chief Operating Officer of the Hillingdon Clinical Commissioning Group (HCCG); and
2. agrees the direction of travel set out within the S256 agreement at Appendix 1.

3.0 INFORMATION

- 3.1 The Government made available, through the NHS Commissioning Board, funding of £3.7m for 2013/14 for the London Borough of Hillingdon with the objective of supporting social care, where it benefits health.
- 3.2 The S256 agreement to secure this funding was presented to the Shadow Public Health Board on 19 February 2013 and the proposed direction of travel and was reviewed and agreed.
- 3.3 The S256 agreement was signed by the Corporate Director of Social Care & Health and Chief Operating Officer of the Hillingdon Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) on 30 May 2013.
- 3.4 The funding will be used to supplement existing funding previously received via the PCT, which has been used to develop an assistive technology known as the TeleCare Line Service, with reablement as a key part of this support, to contribute to the growing financial pressures in Social Care caused by demographic changes, to help people to leave hospital more quickly and to prevent unnecessary admissions to hospital.
- 3.5 The agreement is consistent with the priorities identified in the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA) and existing commissioning plans.
- 3.5 Monitoring Arrangements
- 3.6 Council and Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) officers will monitor and review progress with the proposed direction of travel, reporting to the Health and Wellbeing Board.

4.0 Corporate Implications

- 4.1 Corporate Finance can confirm that this funding of £3.7m was built into the London Borough of Hillingdon Social Care budget for 2013/14 to support a range of initiatives of benefit to both health and social care.
- 4.2 NHS England has been invoiced for £3.7m which will be paid in 3 instalments, none of which have yet been received. Full details of the use of the funding were submitted along with the invoice.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

NIL.