

## HIGHLIGHTS OF INTEGRATED GOVERNANCE AND PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE

15 September 2010

- 1 **Birmingham 'Own Health' procurement procedure**

The current 'OwnHealth' contract would expire on 31 March 2011. A procurement process for a new service provider was undertaken. Six bidders were selected to go forward to ITT stage, five submitted detailed bids.  
Only one of the bids fell within the affordability threshold, but it was not possible to accept this bid for technical reasons.  
It would be necessary to consult on the desirability and shape of a future telephone care management system with emerging GP Consortia. In the meantime, discussions had started with the current provider to agree an extension of 6 – 12 months on the existing contract.
- 2 **Health Economy Prevention and Control of Infection Plan 2010 - 2011**

The plan was published every year. This year's plan was a considerable revision and refresh of the 2009/10 plan to reflect the recent changes in environment. The plan set out the purpose and objectives of the Reference Group and provided a framework for prevention and control of infection work for the next year. It was approved by the Committee, subject to a query on the Equality Impact Assessment. With winter approaching, the members queried the planned response to possible outbreaks of Norovirus this year. A specific plan was in preparation which would focus on early warning of an outbreak by monitoring incidence of the virus in schools and care homes
- 3 **Primary Care Premises Development - GP Led Procurement Process**

The document provided guidance to GPs wishing to develop or replace their practice premises. There were no changes to existing processes but the document provided clarification and brought all the guidance together. It was approved by the Committee.
- 4 **Safe Haven Policy and Procedures**

The policy was part of a suite of Information Governance policies in preparation. It was concerned with security of information storage and transfer and it was intended to clarify processes and help to increase awareness of Information Governance among PCT staff. It was approved subject to more discussion about remote access for senior staff.
- 5 **Commissioning Finance Report to 31 July 2010**

Pressures in August included overperformance against contract in HEFT and the other 2 main acute trusts, and Continuing Health Care.  
The commissioning position was part of the current financial challenges which were unprecedented. This will also be discussed as part of the Board agenda.

**6 Quality and Safety Report – Healthcare Governance  
Board Assurance Framework Risk Register**

There had been good progress in quality and safety areas and the review of the Risk Register had identified possible increased risks due to the imminent changes from the White Paper and the financial situation.

**7 Commissioning Performance Report**

There was little change from last month in the indicators.

**8 Other reports received**

The following reports were noted for information:

- West Midlands Collaborative Commissioning Programme – NHS Continuing Healthcare
- Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment
- Projects Gateway reviews

**9 Next meeting**

13 October 2010