

PMS Contract Reviews - Londonwide LMCs' Bulletin 8

As you all know from <u>Londonwide LMCs' Bulletin 7</u>, the PMS contract review in London has been challenged. As a consequence, any discussions at NHSE London, or locally with CCGs have had a pause applied.

We are acutely aware of the concerns of GMS contract holders who, under the NHSE guidance Framework for Personal Medical Services (PMS) Contracts Review (Sept 2014), should be involved in the wider aspects of the review to achieve equity across both contracts. Achievement in obtaining this equity will vary from borough to borough and is dependent on historical funding, the proportion of existing PMS to GMS contracts and the ability or willingess of CCGs to provide additional funding. CCGs are also required to offer any additional services provided by PMS contract holders to GMS contract holders.

In summary the position for practices is:

- Most CCGs are not yet in a position, either contractually or financially, to offer PMS related locally commissioned services to GMS practices;
- The draft "London Offer", as it currently stands, offers little or no profit for practices, even if they deliver the KPIs, but will substantially increase the workload.

Until Londonwide LMCs is reassured that all aspects of the PMS review have been fully completed our advice to all practices remains as before:

- Practices should not sign any paperwork in relation to any London or local offer made by their CCG;
- Practices should seek independent advice that any offer is suitable for their particular practice circumstances;
- Practices, GPs and LMC members should not engage in any PMS review discussions without seeking further advice from their local LMC or Londonwide LMCs.

We will continue to keep you informed.

Please contact us at pms@lmc.org.uk if you have any queries.

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