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To All Optometry Practices in South Warwickshire 28 January 2014

Dear Colleague

Re: Transfer of Locally Enhanced Services (LESs) 2014-15

As you are aware, number of Local Enhanced Services (LESs) transferred from legacy PCTs to Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs) on 1 April 2013. CCGs were required to:

- Review their portfolio of LESs and make decisions regarding services to be commissioned
- Agree and implement the most appropriate commissioning / procurement mechanism for each service for 2013/14 onwards, abiding by NHS and EU procurement rules
- From April 2014 onwards, commission using the Standard NHS contract (CCGs are not permitted to use LES agreements).

SWCCG has reviewed its portfolio of LES, and agreed the most appropriate commissioning and procurement mechanism for each service (see Appendix 1). One of these services, Intra Ocular Pressures is commissioned from Optometrists in South Warwickshire. I am therefore writing to you to confirm the arrangements for the implementation of this work over the forthcoming year.

In order to ensure a smooth transition to the new contracting process we have agreed the following process for 2014-15.

1. Current LES agreements for services commissioned will formally come to an end on 31 March 2014.



Chair: Dr David Spraggett Chief Officer: Gillian Entwistle