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General Practice Forward View Update									
Purpose of Report For Information									
<p>Reason for Report</p> <p>The General Practice Forward View (GPFV), published in April 2016, sets out a plan, backed by a national multi-billion pound investment, to stabilise and transform General Practice. The plan contains specific, practical and funded steps to grow and develop workforce, drive efficiencies in workload and relieve demand, modernise infrastructure and technology, and support local Practices to redesign the way modern Primary Care is offered to patients.</p> <p>NHS Vale of York CCG is committed to enabling its member Practices to realise the maximum benefit from the programmes of work that are contained within the GPFV in order to help develop resilient and sustainable Provider organisations that are able to support and drive forward the CCG's wider Commissioning plans to improve the quality of care for its population, and deliver financial recovery and stability.</p> <p>This paper summarises the CCG's plans for delivery of the General Practice Forward View based on information that is currently available. It should be noted that some details are yet to be released by NHS England and the CCG will continue to work with NHS England's GPFV support team and local Practices to develop a delivery plan to ensure that all Practices are able to access the menu of support, and have clarity around any local requirements and timescales.</p>									
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Recommendations

It is recommended that NHS Vale of York CCG continues to actively support Practices in accessing any funding and training that becomes available through this programme, and proactively promotes the General Practice Forward View transformation plans across member Practices.

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1. Introduction

The General Practice Forward View (GPFV), published in April 2016, sets out a plan, backed by a multi-billion pound investment, to stabilise and transform General Practice. The plan contains specific, practical and funded steps to grow and develop workforce, drive efficiencies in workload and relieve demand, modernise infrastructure and technology, and support local practices to redesign the way modern Primary Care is offered to patients.

Additional detail can be found here: <https://www.england.nhs.uk/ourwork/gpfv/>

There are a number of components of the General Practice Forward View for which the CCG is awaiting further detail from NHS England. The CCG will continue to work with NHS England's GPFV support team and local Practices to develop a delivery plan to ensure that all Practices are able to access the menu of support, and have clarity around any local requirements and timescales.

2. Key Publications and Meetings to Date

General Practice Forward View published	April 2016
NHS England letter to CCG Accountable Officers requesting local GPFV delivery plans	August 2016
NHS Operational Planning and Contracting Guidance (2017-2019) published – including General Practice Forward View planning requirements	22 September 2016
NHS Vale of York CCG General Practice Forward View Delivery Plan (initial version) submitted to NHS England alongside Sustainability and Transformation Plan	21 October 2016
General Practice Forward View Delivery Plan (initial version) shared with Council of Representatives	17 November 2016
Review of General Practice Forward View Delivery Plans with NHS England (all CCG's across STP footprint)	28 November 2016
Final version of General Practice Forward View Delivery Plan submission to NHS England alongside Sustainability and Transformation Plan	23 December 2016

3. Summary of Key Programmes and Progress to Date

3.1 Workforce

On workforce, the GPFV details actions to double the growth rate in GPs, through new incentives for training, recruitment, retention and return to Practice. Having taken the past 10 years to achieve a net increase of around 5,000 full time equivalent GPs, the aim is to add a further 5,000 net in just the next five years. In addition, 3,000 new fully funded Practice-based mental health therapists, an extra 1,500 co-funded Practice clinical pharmacists, and

nationally funded support for Practice nurses, physician assistants, Practice Managers and receptionists.

In progress	Development of plans at an STP level to recruit GP's from overseas (Spain, Sweden, Poland, Holland) to address immediate pressures around GP staffing levels. Not an immediate high priority for Vale of York Practices, but it is helpful to be involved in this work from a longer-term perspective.
Awaiting information	Additional co-funded clinical pharmacists . Further information expected from NHS England December 2016.
Further opportunities	Closer working with Health Education Yorkshire & Humber to understand the current General Practice workforce composition, and accessing training programmes to expand the skill-mix in General Practice.

3.2 Workload

On workload, the GPFV sets out a new Practice resilience programme to support struggling Practices, changes to streamline the Care Quality Commission inspection regime, support for GPs suffering from burnout and stress, cuts in red-tape, legal limits on administrative burdens at the hospital/GP interface, and action to cut inappropriate demand on General Practice.

In progress	<p>The NHS England Regional team has worked in partnership with Local Medical Committees to identify Practices that may benefit from access to the Vulnerable Practice Scheme. In this funding round, one Vale of York Practice has been offered the opportunity to apply for this funding in order to support its resilience and sustainability plans.</p> <p>NHS England has also introduced new requirements for hospitals in the NHS Standard Contract 2016/17 to reduce avoidable workload for GP's to help release time in General Practice. The CCG is working with York Hospital, YORLMC and member Practices to identify key areas where the local system could work collaboratively to deliver improvements in this respect.</p>
Awaiting information	The NHS England Regional team has recently set up a GPFV support team to work with local CCG's to deliver the GPFV programme. It is hoped that the CCG will start to work more closely with this team in early 2017.
Further opportunities	Additional support ranges from helping to stabilise Practices at risk of closure through to more transformational support to help Practice resilience in the future. Across the country this is being delivered through local resilience team or pools of experienced GP's and other Practice staff, to help with Practice management, recruitment issues, and capacity and plan and implement changes that will support Practices to become more sustainable and resilient. It is anticipated that this work will be coordinated through local NHS England GPFV support teams.

3.3 Infrastructure

On infrastructure, the GPFV proposes upgrades to Practice premises, new proposals to allow up to 100% reimbursement of premises developments, direct Practice investment technology to support better online tools and appointment, consultation and workload management systems, and better record sharing to support team work across Practices.

In progress	Vale of York Practices submitted 15 applications for premises funding through the Estates & Technology Transformation Fund (ETTF) . To date NHS England has requested additional detail for a number of schemes. The CCG is awaiting a decision from NHS England regarding potential capital contributions, at which point it will need to review the affordability of any additional capital and revenue elements that may be required for these schemes to progress into delivery.
Awaiting information	<p>The CCG is awaiting further information on the remaining ETTF premises applications. Initial feedback from NHS England suggests that some of these may fall outside the scope of ETTF in terms of delivery timescales, and alternative approaches to delivery may need to be explored. Additionally, the national changes to the Premises Costs Directions that are required to enable 100% capital funding have not been agreed to date.</p> <p>NHS England has also explained that the NHS Digital team will contact CCG's 'soon' regarding technology bids.</p>
Further opportunities	If the ETTF application for eConsultations is not successful there is still an opportunity to access eConsultations through national funding under the GPFV programme which will become available from 2017/18 and run for 3 years. The CCG is awaiting information on how to access this national funding, and would be keen for Vale of York Practices to have the opportunity to become early adopters.

3.4 Care Redesign

On care redesign, the GPFV signals practical support for individual Practices and for federations and super-partnerships; direct funding for improved in hours and out of hours access, including clinical hubs and reformed urgent care; and a new voluntary GP contract supporting integrated primary and community health services.

In progress	<p>7 Vale of York Practices have already started work on the GPFV Time for Care Programme (building on previous work that 16 member Practices have already completed through the CCG's General Practice Improvement Programme). This will help Practices to use proven innovations from the Ten High Impact Actions quickly, safely and sustainably. The programme can be tailored to meet local requirements.</p> <p>For 2016/17 the CCG has been allocated £31k for training for Reception and Clerical Staff to upskill staff in active signposting and more effective management of clinical correspondence – this funding will be made available to Alliances/Practices in early 2017.</p>
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Awaiting information	<p>Building capability for improvement - free training and coaching will be provided for clinicians and managers to grow confidence and skills in using improvement science and leading change.</p> <p>Practice Manager development - working with Practice Manager leaders, the programme will support networking between managers. at a local and national level, to share successful ways of managing workload and provide peer-to-peer encouragement and support.</p>
Further opportunities	<p>From 2016/17 CCG's should plan to spend a total of £3 per head (this can be over two years) as a one off non-recurrent investment for Practice transformational support.</p> <p>During 2017/18 opportunities for additional Practices to undertake the Time for Care Programme.</p> <p>There will also be additional funding available through the 5 year training for Reception and Clerical Staff programme.</p> <p>Recurrent funding to commission additional capacity and improve patient access will increase over time. In 2018/19 £3.34 will be available and from 2019/20 all CCG's will receive at least £6 per head extra recurrently for those improvements in General Practice.</p>