

**REPORT FOR: HEALTH AND
WELLBEING BOARD**

Date of Meeting: 30 June 2016

Subject: INFORMATION REPORT – Walk in Centres

Responsible Officer: Javina Sehgal
Chief Operating Officer
NHS Harrow Clinical Commissioning Group

Exempt: No

Wards affected: All

Enclosures: None

Section 1 – Summary

This report sets out the summary position and progress for the procurement and commissioning progress for Walk in Centres across the borough.

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Section 2 – Report

Outcome of Walk in Centre Procurement:

The following report provides an update to the Health and Wellbeing Board on the progress of the Harrow CCG intention to commission three GP Access Walk in Centres (WiC) across the borough. These services will provide urgent care seven days a week between the hours of 8am-8pm at the following hub locations:

- Pinn Medical Centre
- Alexander Avenue Health and Social Care Centre
- Belmont Health Centre

Further to the competitive, open procurement process that was undertaken between February and April the process resulted in the successful selection of providers for two of the Walk in Centres:

Pinn Walk in Centre; The Pinn Medical Centre was selected as the preferred provider to deliver GP Access Walk in Centres Walk in Centre services and the contract award for Implementation In August 2016 is underway, the Walk in Centre will remain located at the Pinn Medical Centre, where the service currently resides.

The Walk in Centre at Alexandra Avenue Health and Social Care Centre; The Ridgeway Surgery was selected as the preferred provider to deliver Walk in Centre services and the contract award for implementation in August 2016 is underway. Alexandra Avenue Health and Social Care Centre is where the existing Walk in Centre is located.

Proposals to implement and deliver a third Walk in Centre in the East of the Borough unfortunately did not meet the core criteria of the service specification and as such, a preferred provider was not selected.

The Pinn Medical Centre and the Ridgeway Surgery are the incumbent providers of each respective Walk in Centre, therefore continuity of service and a smooth transition of contracts is anticipated.

Both of the new Walk in Centre services will be processed according to the NHS Standard Contract and service specifications will be common for both centres.

Section 3 – Further Information

As the initial procurement process did not successfully select a preferred provider to deliver a Walk in Centre service in the East of the borough, the CCG has instigated a further process with the intention of appointing a provider.

The Walk in Centre will be located within the Belmont Health Centre and the service specification will replicate those commissioned in the two Walk in Centres.

Procurement for this process has begun and is now in the public domain for interested providers.

It is anticipated that the new service at Belmont Health Centre will commence in November 2016, this remains the same as the previously planned and implementation is not delayed.

Section 4 – Financial Implications

The Walk in Centres that have been commissioned for Harrow are being commissioned within the financial parameters of the budget envelope and as was specified within the invitation to tender documentation.

The further procurement process being undertaken to deliver a Walk in Centre at Belmont Health Centre is anticipated to be delivered within the budget envelope that was originally planned.

Section 5 - Equalities implications

An Equality Impact Assessment was undertaken and was detailed in the original report to the board.

NHS North West London Five Year Strategy:

The eight North West London CCGs have developed and agreed a five year strategic plan which outlines five strategic objectives. These are:

- Preventing people from dying prematurely
- Enhancing quality of life for people with long-term conditions
- Helping people to recover from episodes of ill health or following injury
- Ensuring that people have a positive experience of care
- Treating and caring for people in a safe environment and protecting them from avoidable harm.

STATUTORY OFFICER CLEARANCE (Council and Joint Reports)

Not required

Ward Councillors notified:

NO

Section 7 - Contact Details and Background Papers

Contact: Adam Mackintosh, Integrated Urgent Care Lead, Harrow CCG

Background Papers: None