



## **Agreeing an Integrated Care System Memorandum of Understanding for Nottingham and Nottinghamshire**

### **Sherwood Forest Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust**

**5<sup>th</sup> September 2019**

1. Nottingham and Nottinghamshire has been formally designated as an Integrated Care System (ICS).

2. In brief, the purpose of an ICS is a system in which:

NHS commissioners and providers and Local Authorities, working closely with GP networks, and other partners including the Voluntary and Community Sector, agree to take shared responsibility (in ways that are consistent with their individual legal obligations) for how they use their collective resources to improve quality of care and health outcomes. They are expected to make faster progress than other health systems in transforming the way care is delivered, to the benefit of the population they serve.

3. ICSs will:

- re-design and integrate clinical and care pathways to better meet the needs of the local population
- develop population health management approaches that facilitate the integration of services
- work with key system partners and stakeholders including patients and citizens and their democratic representatives, health and care staff, local government and the voluntary sector to achieve these aims;
- take collective responsibility for managing financial and operational performance, quality of care and health and care outcomes;
- implement new methods of payment that support integration of services and population health management approaches, whilst enabling delivery of a shared system control total;
- create more robust cross-organisational arrangements to tackle the systemic challenges that the health and care system is facing;
- act as a leadership cohort, demonstrating what can be achieved with strong local leadership, operating with increased freedoms and flexibilities

4. In 2017/18 and 2018/19 an Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) was agreed between the Nottinghamshire ICS and NHS England and Improvement.

5. This paper provides an update to the Board on the proposed Memorandum of Understanding between the ICS and NHS England and Improvement for 2019/20.



6. An MOU has been developed using a standard template. The MOU sets out the national expectations of ICSs, the freedoms and flexibilities that these systems will gain in return, and how the national leadership bodies will work to support system leaders and their teams.
7. At its 13 June meeting, the ICS Board agreed the local priorities and deliverables for 2019/20 which have been incorporated into the MOU.

### **Recommendations**

8. The Board is asked to
  - Note this update
  - Confirm that Sherwood Forest Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust endorses the Nottinghamshire ICS MOU
  - Confirm to the ICS Board that Sherwood Forest Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust will contribute to the delivery of the ICS MOU in 2019/20 through submitting a brief statement of your commitment

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**29 July 2019**