

11 June 2021

NHS England and NHS Improvement

Dear Sirs

Re: Kent and Medway Vascular Clinical Network Programme

On behalf of the NHS England and Improvement Specialised Commissioning, I am writing to support the submission of the Public Consultation Business Case (PCBC) for the changes to the pathway for the delivery of inpatient vascular services. The business case has been approved by the finance and performance meeting on 1st December 2020 and also the Commissioning and Transformation Committee on 15th December 2020.

The development of the Kent and Medway Vascular Network drives the transformation of the service and this case makes progress towards the creation of a single Arterial Centre for Kent and Medway supported by a Non-Arterial Centre

To support the Vascular Network programme NHS England and Improvement Specialised Commissioning have agreed to invest non-recurrently for a year from implementation 50% of the funds required for service investment.

Yours sincerely

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