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To: NHS CB Area Team Directors via Regional Directors
cc: Medical Directors and Directors of Primary Care

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Dear Colleague

PROMOTING QUALITY AND INNOVATION: NEW ENHANCED SERVICES FOR 2013/14

I am writing to set out the specifications (attached) for the four new enhanced services that the NHS CB will be commissioning from GP practices in 2013/14 following the Government's announcement of changes to the GP contract.

The Secretary of State for Health has directed the NHS CB to offer all GP practices the opportunity to provide these enhanced services.

Area teams will need to offer these new enhanced services, either directly or (in the case of the risk profiling and care management service) through CCGs, to all GP practices providing list-based primary medical care services under GMS, PMS or APMS contracts. GP practices should be invited to sign up to the enhanced services before the end of June 2013.

Further advice on contracting for these services will follow but for now I wanted to share the specifications with you and your team. The four enhanced services are:

- risk profiling and care management: CCGs should be asked to lead in developing local agreements, although the NHS CB will remain responsible for making payments to GP practices and for assuring itself that the minimum requirements have been met
- facilitating timely diagnosis and support for people with dementia
- improving patient online access
- remote care monitoring (preparation)

The national support team will work with area teams to help introduce these changes and further advice will be available shortly.

Yours sincerely



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