The NHS North Derbyshire Clinical Commissioning Group Directions 2017

The National Health Service Commissioning Board ("the Board"), in exercise of powers conferred by section 14Z21 of the National Health Service Act 2006 gives the following Directions.

Citation, commencement and application

(1) These Directions are given to NHS North Derbyshire Clinical Commissioning Group ("North Derbyshire CCG").

(2) These Directions may be cited as the North Derbyshire CCG Directions 2017 and come into force on 14 August 2017.

(3) These Directions apply until they are varied or revoked by the Board or 12 months from the date hereof, whichever shall be the later.

Exercise of functions

(4) The Board directs that:

(a) Following completion of the capability and capacity review received in March 2017, North Derbyshire CCG will produce an improvement plan ("the Capability and Capacity Improvement Plan") by one month from the date these directions come into force;

(b) The Capability and Capacity Improvement Plan shall be approved by the Board and North Derbyshire CCG will then:-

(i) implement the recommendations in accordance with the Board’s instructions; and

(ii) promptly provide any information, documents and records requested by the Board and make senior officers available to meet with the Board to discuss the Capability and Capacity Improvement Plan;
(c) It may direct North Derbyshire CCG in any other matters relating to the Capability and Capacity Improvement Plan.

Recovery Plan

(5) The Board directs that:

(a) Within seven weeks of these Directions coming into force North Derbyshire CCG will produce a credible financial recovery plan (“Financial Recovery Plan”), which includes but is not limited to:

(i) how North Derbyshire CCG shall ensure that it operates within its annual budget in the financial year 2017/18 and in subsequent financial years thereafter;

(ii) confirmation that all facts, figures and projections within the Financial Recovery Plan have been subjected to scrutiny by an organisation approved by the Board;

(iii) a complete analysis of the causes of the current underlying financial position, the reasons for the deterioration in the financial position, and addresses these causal factors in the Financial Recovery Plan;

(iv) a demonstration of clear links to internal budgets, reporting, activity plans, cash plans and contracting;

(v) an implementation plan with timescales for the achievement of any efficiency initiatives identified within the Financial Recovery Plan;

(vi) a resource plan which allocates the resources to ensure the delivery of the initiatives identified within the Financial Recovery Plan;

(vii) sets out the opportunities for execution of the Right Care programme;

(viii) a clear risk assessment of the Financial Recovery Plan; and

(ix) any other requirements stipulated by the Board;

(b) The Financial Recovery Plan and any amendments to the same, shall continue to be subject to the Board's approval;

(c) North Derbyshire CCG will implement the Financial Recovery Plan;

(d) North Derbyshire CCG will co-operate with the Board regarding the Financial Recovery Plan including but not limited to the prompt provision of information requested by the Board and making senior officers available to meet with the
Board and to discuss the Financial Recovery Plan, the implementation and the progress of the same; and
(e) It may direct North Derbyshire CCG in any other matters relating to the Financial Recovery Plan.

Executive Team and Senior Appointments

(6) The Board directs that:

(a) North Derbyshire CCG will agree a process with the Board for the recruitment of a Turnaround Director;
(b) The appointment of the Turnaround Director shall be subject to the prior approval of the Board; and
(c) North Derbyshire CCG will co-operate with the Board regarding the appointment of the Turnaround Director, including but not limited to the prompt provision of information requested by the Board and making senior officers available to meet with the Board.

(7) The Board further directs that:

(a) North Derbyshire CCG will notify the Board of the need to make any appointments to its Executive Team or its next tier of management;
(b) where it considers it necessary to do so, the Board will determine the process to be followed by North Derbyshire CCG in making appointments as referred to in paragraph 7(a);
(c) the appointment of any person to a position referred to in paragraph 7(a) and the terms of such appointment will be subject to prior approval by the Board; and
(d) North Derbyshire CCG will co-operate with the Board regarding the appointment of any person in accordance with paragraph 7(a), including but not limited to the prompt provision of information, documents and records requested by the Board and making senior officers available to meet with the Board.
Compliance with these directions

(8) The Board directs that North Derbyshire CCG shall co-operate with the Board regarding the Board's oversight of North Derbyshire CCG's compliance with these Directions, including but not limited to the prompt provision of information requested by the Board and making senior officers available to meet with the Board.

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