

ADULT ELECTIVE ORTHOPAEDIC SERVICES ACHIEVING THE BEST VALUE FOR PATIENTS

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Welcome to this seventh bulletin on the adult elective orthopaedics services review in north central London. This aims to keep you briefed on progress on this review which started in February 2018.

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We will continue to send out regular updates as the review progresses.

KEY POINTS

- The engagement phase of our programme closed in October 2018, having heard a wide range of views from those who participated
- During the engagement we spoke to over 500 people face-to-face across the three groups and reached out using bulletins and social media to at least 30,000 contacts.
- Alongside the engagement we delivered a series of clinical design workshops to begin considering how the future model might be shaped once the engagement evaluation has been received.
- The **results of our engagement work in 2018 are available to read on our website at: www.northlondonpartners.org.uk/about/engagement-phase-reports.htm**
- The review group also reported back to a number of public committees and have now progressed to the next stage of the review.
- The next stage of the review is to finalise our service model and develop a process for an options appraisal that will help to decide how and where services might be delivered in the future. (see next steps, below)
- Final decisions will be made by clinical commissioners from the governing bodies of the five north central London CCGs, (or a wider joint arrangement as required).

BACKGROUND

- Our ambition is to create a comprehensive adult elective orthopaedic service for North Central London (NCL), which will be seen as a centre for excellence

with an international reputation for outstanding patient experience and outcomes, and for education and research.

- We currently deliver adult elective orthopaedic services for NHS patients from ten different sites within NCL. While many of these services are of good quality, we know that there is unwarranted variation in the quality of care we are currently able to offer. We also know from our initial review of evidence that there is a case for consolidation of these services onto fewer sites in order to ensure that we are able to achieve excellent care and best value for local people.

NEXT STEPS AND DECISION-MAKING

- The next stage of the review is to finalise our service model and develop a process for an options appraisal that will help to decide how and where services might be delivered in the future. Final decisions will be made by clinical commissioners from the governing bodies of the five north central London CCGs (or a wider joint arrangement as required).
- We think it is likely that we will formally consult on options for this service in autumn 2019, and are currently inviting resident representatives to be involved in shaping the options we consult people about.
- To help shape this, we are:
 - Inviting resident representatives to help test the final service model
 - Inviting resident representatives to be part of shaping our options appraisal process
- By early May the aim is to finalise our service model and develop a process for an options appraisal, which will help to decide how and where services might be delivered in the future.
- Once the service model and options appraisal criteria have been agreed, there will then be a formal process in the summer where NHS providers will be asked to describe how well they can meet the service model.
- The options appraisal process will then take place. This will involve assessing the responses from NHS providers with the appraisal criteria. This will result in a preferred site (or sites) that can deliver the service model. This will form the basis for developing a pre-consultation business case.
- The pre-consultation business case (or PCBC) will explain the preferred options, the rationale for the proposed model and any changes to how it is currently delivered, how the service could be delivered in the future and which elements residents will be consulted on.

- Before proceeding to public consultation there is a NHS England assurance process to test the rationale for change is robust and ensure any potential consequences have been addressed.
- A final decision-making process to agree the PCBC and approve a public consultation will be made by clinical commissioners from the governing bodies of the five north central London CCGs, (or a wider joint arrangement as required).

We are currently aiming to formally consult on options for this service in autumn 2019. This timeline will need to be kept under review as the PCBC is developed and may change in response.

The case for change is available on our website at:
www.northlondonpartners.org.uk/orthopaedicreview