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Dear Moira

Calderdale and Huddersfield's 'Right Care, Right Time, Right Place' service change proposals

Thank you for presenting your assurance of the above proposals to the Regional Management Team meeting on 18th January 2016. I have now had the opportunity to review your assurance report and I have been briefed on the discussion at RMT. The recommendation from your assurance, and from RMT, was that I should support the scheme going forward to develop a formal three month consultation, if that is the decision of the two CCGs at their joint meeting on 20th January.

I understand you have confirmed that the proposals meet the four tests for service change and that they take account of the clinical advice from the Y&H clinical senate. You indicated that Medical Directors in the local system had confirmed to you their support for the service and workforce models. You set out in your paper, and at RMT, the further work to be undertaken by the local system including:

- the requirement for capital funding which will require input from Monitor and DH
- the need to assess the impact of the Cumberledge review when this is available
- the need to continue to engage with the wider health system as the Urgent and Emergency Care Network plans and STPs are developed over the coming months.

You were confident that these issues would be best addressed as part of the consultation exercise if the CCGs agree that it should proceed.

I will ensure that the issues discussed at RMT and raised with me are formally documented as part of my decision on this matter, but in summary I am content that you support the CCGs to proceed to consultation.

Yours sincerely



Richard Barker
Regional Director (North)