



YORLMC PCN & System Integration Lead

YORLMC believes the NHS Long Term plan and 5 Year Framework for GP Contract reform set out the most major changes for Primary Care and the NHS in a generation. In addition to establishing Primary Care Networks to ensure the sustainability and resilience of General Practice through working at scale they also set out an ambitious programme for both service redesign and system integration across health and social care. The 5 year commitment of increased investment in primary medical and community health services as a growing share of total NHS spend creates an unprecedented opportunity for change against a backdrop of financial challenge.

All significant new investment for General Practice will be delivered through primary care network funding streams and therefore YORLMC has a responsibility to all local practices and GPs to support emerging PCNs and their Clinical Directors. Achieving success against the DES requirements over the next 5 years will mean General Practice leading the development of local integrated care teams and meeting the wider aims of the NHS long term plan to secure investment in staff to expand and diversify our workforce.

This transformation of Primary Care will occur simultaneously with the development of much larger scale Integrated Care Systems. Success will be determined by both the ability to bring together all major stakeholders and by General Practice having a coordinated single voice at System level.

Whilst it is important PCNs create their own identity and shape the integration of services across their practices there will need to be shared ambition and common direction of travel to allow whole system changes and shift of care.

YORLMC has a track record as a progressive LMC with strong well-established working relationships with all major local stakeholders and is already representing General Practice at system level.

We have worked through the NHS Long Term plan and Contract reform documents and believe **as an LMC** there is a need:

- to provide coordinated support and guidance to emerging PCNs and Clinical Directors including creating a locally based list-server to inform, interpret national guidance and share best practice
- to bring CDs together at place based level to move forward the integration agenda, working with key stakeholders and local services and integrating with current YORLMC and CCG liaison structures
- to bring together CDs views at system level to develop a coordinated and consistent voice within the emerging ICS's and support PCNs in implementing wider system change

With the support of YORLMC colleagues I have resigned from my role of Chair, North Yorkshire Branch, YORLMC to concentrate on this piece of work. In taking on the role of PCN & System Integration Lead I recognise this rapidly changing and evolving landscape but believe the experience and relationships built up over the last 12 years will be key. This role will address the key aims outlined above and support General Practice to embrace the opportunities this new contract brings. It will also facilitate work with local system leaders to move Bradford, Airedale, Wharfedale & Craven North Yorkshire and York GP practices forward with the goal of service redesign that will aim for long term sustainability.

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