

Meeting: Primary Care Commissioning Committee			
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Title	Month 7 Primary Care Finance Report		
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Executive Summary

In September NHSE/I issued planning guidance confirming that the financial regime for H2 of 2021/22 continues as in H1. For Primary Care services this means the same baseline delegated co-commissioning allocation for H2 as in H1 of £15.1m. For programme primary care budgets a small increase for inflation on prescribing of 0.5% with remaining baseline budgets as in H1. In addition to baseline, allocations have also been confirmed for long COVID and PCN management support.

At Month 7, Primary Care and Delegated Co-Commissioning are together reporting a year to date underspend of £0.7m and forecast outturn underspend of £0.8m as a result of benefits from prior year.

Co-Commissioning is forecasting an underspend of £0.5m. This reflects the release of prior year benefits following confirmation of the final 20/21 QOF achievement, premises costs and the Impact and Investment Fund (IIF). The position forecast reflects the full utilisation of £1.4m CCG baseline ARRS money in line with PCN plans. At month 7 the CCG has received claims from PCN's for a total of £0.2m.

Primary Care is forecasting an underspend of £0.4m, this is mainly as a result of prior year benefits following confirmation of final 20/21 income streams and expenditure.

Prescribing and Medicines Management is forecasting an overspend of £0.1m reflecting current forecasts of prescribing spend.

Recommendations

It is recommended that the Primary Care Commissioning Committee:

- Note the financial framework for 21/22
- Note the Month 7 financial position

Links to CCG Strategic Objectives	
SO1 - To support the Borough through a robust emergency response to the Covid-19 pandemic.	<input type="checkbox"/>
SO2 - To deliver our role in the Bury 2030 local industrial strategy priorities and recovery.	<input type="checkbox"/>
SO3 - To deliver improved outcomes through a programme of transformation to establish the capabilities required to deliver the 2030 vision.	<input type="checkbox"/>
SO4 - To secure financial sustainability through the delivery of the agreed budget strategy.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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Has any engagement (clinical, stakeholder or public/patient) been undertaken in relation to this report?	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Have any departments/organisations who will be affected been consulted ?	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Are there any conflicts of interest arising from the proposal or decision being requested?	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Are there any financial implications?	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Are the risks on the CCG's risk register?	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>

Month 7 Finance Report

1. Introduction

- 1.1. This paper presents the current and forecast financial position at month 7 for 2021/22 of Primary Care Services and the budget delegated to the CCG from NHS England for Primary Care Commissioning.

2. 2021/22 Financial Framework – H2

- 2.1. On the 30th September the planning guidance for H2 was issued by NHSE/I. The guidance confirmed that the financial regime for H2 of 2021/22 continues as in H1. For Primary Care services this means the same baseline delegated co-commissioning allocation for H2 as in H1 of £15.1m. For programme primary care budgets a small increase for inflation on prescribing of 0.5% with remaining baseline budgets as in H1. In addition to baseline, allocations have also been confirmed for long COVID and PCN management support all of which are included in the annual budgets below.

3. Financial Position at Month 7

At Month 7, Primary Care and Delegated Co-Commissioning are together reporting a year to date underspend of £0.7m and forecast outturn underspend of £0.8m. This underspend is non-recurrent resulting from the finalisation of 20/21 outturn, receipt of income and release of prior year accruals, in particular, QOF Achievement.

In addition to baseline primary care and delegated co-commissioning budgets the CCG has received additional funding to support PCN development £0.1m, new enhanced services for long COVID £0.2m, and GP COVID support funding of £0.4m.

Area	£000's					
	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	YTD Variance	Annual Budget	Forecast Outturn	Forecast Variance
General Practice - GMS	5,781	5,767	(14)	9,910	9,897	(13)
General Practice - PMS	5,007	4,988	(19)	8,584	8,560	(24)
General Practice - APMS	445	443	(2)	762	761	(2)
QOF	1,757	1,488	(268)	3,012	2,743	(269)
Premises, Voids & Subsidies	2,565	2,474	(91)	4,397	4,206	(190)
Primary Care Networks	1,411	1,411	0	2,456	2,456	0
Other GP Services	620	577	(43)	1,084	1,132	48
Co-Commissioning	17,586	17,149	(437)	30,205	29,755	(450)
QinPC	1,234	1,234	(0)	2,116	2,116	0
PCN	267	267	0	458	458	0
Out of Hours	952	812	(140)	1,634	1,494	(140)
Primary Care IT	1,198	1,198	(0)	2,062	2,050	(12)
Other Primary Care	1,506	1,357	(149)	2,414	2,236	(177)
Primary Care Team	185	163	(22)	328	260	(67)
Primary Care	5,342	5,030	(311)	9,010	8,614	(397)
Prescribing	19,239	19,319	80	32,802	32,902	100
Central Drugs	610	609	(1)	1,047	1,018	(28)
Oxygen	139	147	8	241	254	13
Medicines Management	237	235	(2)	417	417	0
Prescribing & Meds Mgt	20,225	20,310	85	34,506	34,591	85
Total	43,153	42,489	(663)	73,722	72,959	(762)

Co-Commissioning

- 3.1. Co-Commissioning is forecasting an underspend of £0.5m. This reflects the release of prior year benefits following confirmation of the final 20/21 QOF achievement, premises costs and the Impact and Investment Fund (IIF).
- 3.2. Within the primary care baseline is £1.4m with an additional £1.1m available to claim from national funds for the recruitment of additional roles to support PCN's including pharmacists, paramedics and mental health practitioners. The position forecast reflects the full utilisation of ARRS money within CCG budgets in line with PCN plans. At month 7 the CCG has received claims from PCN's for a total of £0.2m.

Primary Care

- 3.3. Primary Care is forecasting an underspend of £0.4m, this is mainly as a result of prior year benefits following confirmation of final 20/21 income streams and expenditure. Further underspends are seen in the primary care team as a result of held staff vacancies and on the care at the chemist service. Investment in this area includes for 21/22 the costs of the EMIS system roll out to practices.

Prescribing & Medicines Management

- 3.4. Prescribing and Medicines Management is forecasting an overspend of £0.1m. The overspend is attributable to prescribing costs for which we have actual cost and activity data to August. It should be highlighted that whilst on a budget of £32.9m this represents an overspend of less than 0.5% prescribing spend can be volatile particularly in winter and in the current environment in response to supply. Detailed monitoring therefore continues to be carried out and shared internally on a monthly basis.

4. Actions Required

Primary Care Commissioning Committee members are asked to:

- Note the financial framework for 21/22
- Note the Month 7 financial position.

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