

Dear Assembly Member

Please find below an update on the Senate work and opportunities to participate in reviews. If you are interested in any of these reviews, please respond to joanne.poole1@nhs.net with your expression of interest and you will be contacted directly.

Current Reviews

The Senate has been approached to work once again with **Wakefield CCG**, this time on the completed draft pre-consultation business case for the **Pontefract Midwifery Led Unit** which is due to go out to public consultation early next year. The previous expert panel have agreed to participate in what will be part 4 of this review. Timescales have yet to be advised.

Two panels are currently being established for a desktop review of **paediatric and mental health services** at Bassetlaw Hospital on behalf of **Bassetlaw CCG**. The commissioners have requested a quick turnaround for our advice. We have directly contacted a number of you in the Assembly to ask you to join the panels for these reviews. If you have not been contacted and would like to participate please get in touch.

Forthcoming Reviews

The Council recently wrote to each ICS offering our services to review their restoration and recovery plans and assist with their implementation. We have now been approached by the West Yorkshire and Harrogate ICS with a request for potential support with their planned care activity plans. We are currently discussing how we can best support the ICS in this.

A meeting has been arranged with colleagues from Cheshire CCG to discuss the possible restart of the review of their acute sustainability programme.

All other work is on hold due to routine service assurance remaining suspended during the COVID response.

If you are interested in any of these reviews, please contact joanne.poole1@nhs.net

All of our published work can be accessed on our website www.yhsenate.nhs.uk either through the news section on our home page or through the Senate Advice and Updates page

National Reconfiguration Process

During the pandemic there has been a rapid response to service change and the national teams would like to apply the learning from this to business as usual processes and future service reconfiguration. Senates were asked to provide their comments on how to improve the effectiveness of the reconfiguration processes. Our response was sent to the national team at the beginning of September and we will be joining a national meeting to discuss this further in November.

Council Membership and Meetings

Please look out for our forthcoming advert as the recruitment process for our Council positions will begin within the next couple of weeks. We are losing 5 members of our Senate Council, 4 of whom

are stepping down as they have reached the end of their 5 year tenure. We really welcome applications from our Assembly members.

We continue to hold virtual meetings through MS Teams and will be doing so until March 2021 at the earliest. The minutes of these meetings are on our website www.yhsenate.nhs.uk and our next meeting is scheduled for 17th November.

If you have any questions or comments on this bulletin, please contact:

Joanne Poole
Clinical Senate Manager
joanne.poole1@nhs.net
07900 715369

September 2020