

# Primary Care Commissioning Committee

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### Report title: Bishopston and Northville APMS Contracts

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#### 1. Purpose

To update the Primary Care Commissioning Committee on the information collated and reviewed during the decision making process which led to the dispersal of two APMS contracts at Bishopston and Northville.

To present to the Primary Care Commissioning Committee the information collated and reviewed, that informed the decision to agree a list dispersal of Bishopston and Northville GP practices, in line with the expiry of their Alternative Provider Medical Service (APMS) contract. The decision for which was taken at the PCCC closed meeting held on Tuesday 25th June 2019.

#### 2. Recommendations

The Primary Care Commissioning Committee is asked to note the decision to disperse the two APMS contracts at Bishopston and Northville and the content of the associated appendices.

#### 3. Executive Summary

The Bishopston Medical Practice and Northville Family Practice APMS contracts outlined in this paper are due to expire on September 30th 2019. These contracts provide primary medical services to approximately 15,000 patients. The two contracts, as they currently exist, were set up temporarily by NHS England as APMS contracts following a hand back by the respective GP partnerships between 2016 and 2017. These contracts are both currently managed by BrisDoc.



The current contracts, list size and weighted list size with proposed expiries are:

Practice Locality	Practice Name & Code	Raw List Size (Jan 2019)	Contract expiry date
North & West	Bishopston Medical Practice L81112	9,725	30 September 2019
South Gloucestershire	Northville Family Practice L81028	5,228	30 September 2019

To enable staff and patient stability, these contracts need long term and sustainable contractual solutions. This stability will allow practices and patients to be taken on a journey of transformation that is supported by the aims of the NHS 'GP Forward View' initiative which seeks to stabilise the health needs and requirements of the local populations for the future.

On February 26<sup>th</sup> 2019, a paper titled '*Options for Contracts Ending 2019*' was presented to the Primary Care Commissioning Committee in closed session. This paper outlined three main options available to the CCG regarding future services for the patients of the two practices. These were:

1. Procurement of a provider for a like-for-like service from each site.
2. Procurement of a provider for a new model of care, exploring options to combine sites as branch surgeries to other local providers, or as a single lot.
3. A managed dispersal of the patients to other providers in the area.

On March 26<sup>th</sup> 2019, a further paper was presented to the closed session of the Committee '*Options for APMS contracts ending in 2019/20*'. This paper outlined the impact on patients that could be identified prior to further engagement with stakeholders, patients and staff on the proposed options. The Committee approved a period of extensive engagement to work through the materiality of the change and what would be required to ensure a smooth transition to any alternative service.

Subsequently the Primary Care Contracts team, with support from many colleagues across the CCG, commenced conversations with surrounding practices, stakeholders and patients of the practices concerned. This paper outlines the steps undertaken and the outcomes of these discussions to support the recommended options.

Following a period of extensive engagement, a final paper summarising the information within the attached appendices was presented to the closed session of the Primary Care Commissioning Committee on 25<sup>th</sup> June 2019. All of the options explored for the two contracts and information gathered to support each was outlined in detail against each individual site. Following a detailed review of this paper, the committee made the decision to disperse the patient lists and manage a re-registration process with the surrounding practices.

Appendices 1 and 2 outline the information presented to the Primary Care Commissioning Committee in June. This includes the screening assessments relating to Quality and Equality and any associated action plans to ensure that patients are supported throughout the transition.

Appendices 3 and 4 are copies of the patient letter that was circulated to all registered patients of Bishopston Medical Practice and Northville Family Practice in early July 2019.

Appendices 5 and 6 detail the summary of the patient feedback collected during the engagement regarding the future of the GP services.

#### **4. Financial resource implications**

There are financial resource implications that were highlighted to the Primary Care Commissioning Committee, including detail relating to the current contract premiums and the overall financial impact of the options and corresponding outcomes.

#### **5. Legal implications**

There are no legal implications outlined within this paper.

#### **6. Risk implications**

There are risks associated with the APMS contracts and the next steps, and these have been highlighted and managed on an internal CCG Risk Register. These risks are being regularly monitored and appropriate mitigations have been put in place.

#### **7. Implications for health inequalities**

Primary care services are universal so any contract awards or dispersal will affect the whole population served. Equality and Quality impact assessments have been undertaken and are outlined within the appendices. These documents have been developed on facts available, public engagement sessions and patient survey data.

#### **8. Implications for equalities (Black and Other Minority Ethnic/Disability/Age Issues)**

Primary care services are universal and the options explored in this paper will support appropriate delivery of these services, and will identify the benefits for the whole population including those with protected characteristics. An Equality Impact Assessment has been completed against each contract and is attached against each appendix. This document has been developed based on available information, staff and patient engagement and patient survey data.

## 9. Implications for Public Involvement

Since the first paper was discussed at the Primary Care Commissioning Committee, at the end of February 2019, an engagement plan has been enacted to gather feedback on the options from patients, practices and local interested parties and stakeholders. This engagement has been captured through the stakeholder engagement, patient engagement surveys and drop-in sessions, equality impact assessment and quality impact assessment sections within Appendices 1 and 2.

### Appendices:

**Appendix 1: Northville Family Practice**

**Appendix 2: Bishopston Medical Practice**

**Appendix 3: Patient letter – Bishopston**

**Appendix 4: Patient letter - Northville**

**Appendix 5: Northville Patient and Public Feedback Summary**

**Appendix 6: Bishopston Patient and Public Feedback Summary**

### Glossary of Terms and Abbreviations

<b>CCG</b>	Clinical Commissioning Group
<b>APMS</b>	Alternative Provider Medical Services
<b>GP Forward View</b>	NHS document that outlines national plans to support practices through workforce expansion, investment and a transformation programme