

Current Mechanisms for Commissioning Treatments

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CSU Commissioning Specialist & Service Delivery lead (Chair)*

Public Health Representative(s) as appropriate

Clinical Commissioning Groups representative(s) x 8 or collaborate representative(s)

representative(s)

CSU Management representative

CSU Legal Services manager

CSU Clinical Governance manager

CSU Clinical Triage and Audit Lead*

CSU Senior Pharmacists*

CSU Commissioning Policy manager*

Pharmacy representatives from Clinical

Networks

Clinical and/or pharmacy representatives from provider trusts, including:

- Hull and East Yorkshire Hospitals NHS Trust*
- Northern Lincolnshire and Goole Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust
- York Teaching Hospital NHS Foundation *
- South Tees Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust
- Harrogate and District NHS Foundation Trust*
- Airedale NHS Foundation Trust
- The Leeds Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust*

*attend meeting as of August 2013

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Recommendations to Commissioners

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CCG Business Committees/Governing Bodies – without financial input assessment, no clarity about place in formulary/discussions with secondary care.

Drugs and Therapeutics Committee

2 CCG GP Prescribing Leads

2 CSU Pharmacists

10-15 consultants

7 provider pharmacists

1 provider nurse

- Decides New drug requests for formulary without reference to CCG Governing Body
- Considers Place of NICE TA directions
- Considers Primary/Secondary care interface issues – CCG, TANs
- Considers Internal Secondary care issues
- Considers Specialist Commissioning issues

Problems:

- No coordinated communications subsequently
- Imbalance in membership
- Inadequate commissioner governance
- Expensive committee in terms of medical and pharmacist input
- Inadequate time for full consideration of detail – committee's deliberations often rushed
- Declaration of interests only relevant to that meetings deliberations
- Timing and location / problems of microphones
- Paperwork often only distributed 2-3 working days prior to meeting

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Formulary, without reference to CCG
GB/affordability