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Dear colleagues

We are writing to share with you a number of supporting documents we have developed to both build on and bring together our vision for how we will work in partnership across north east London to provide the best health and care possible for our local populations:

- "The future of health and care for the people of north east London (NEL)" is our core overarching NEL vision and sets the scene for who we are and what we are about.
- "What does the move to a single NEL Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) mean for Barking and Dagenham, Havering and Redbridge (BHR)" outlines the history of successful partnership work that we want to build on, alongside our vision and plan for how we will continue to deliver the majority of our health and care at a local level, working in partnership with our providers, local authorities, voluntary sector and local people.

As you will know, as part of our formal process of coming together as an integrated care system (ICS), we will be looking to create a new CCG for NEL. This is not about creating a large commissioning body, as we fundamentally believe that NEL's strengths lie in our local knowledge and focus on delivery closest to our people in BHR.

Our new CCG is part of our evolution to an ICS and will be based on what we are calling the 80:20 principle. This is about 80% of our delivery continuing at a local level and 20% at NEL level where it makes sense to do things together across our patch.

Our GP membership are required to undertake a formal vote as part of this process and we will be engaging with all of you via our various forums over the coming weeks and months, gathering your feedback, outlining why this is the right thing to do and discussing with you how we will achieve the best possible outcomes for our local people.

A new CCG for NEL will provide the support and strategic overview we need to enable us to continue our own local journey.

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Our NEL future is based on the following principles:

- Future proofing ourselves ahead of any further legislative changes.
- Building on our achievements and looking ahead with a positive view of what we have done well and what we can do next both locally and together.
- Reducing duplication and freeing us up to focus on what matters: our people.
- A level playing field in terms of payment systems and voice for mental and physical health, in and out of hospital care, social care and community health.
- Working together across the whole of NEL for the health of our communities and to drive out inequalities.
- Ultimately ensuring NEL is a place that our workforce want to live and work and our people are able to thrive and age well.

We look forward to continuing our journey together and building on our work to date.

Best wishes

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