Child Death Review Statutory and Operational Guidance – Transition plans

The Department of Health and Social Care published statutory and operational guidance for Child Death Review in October 2018. As stated in transitional guidance, CDR partners had up to 12 months from 29 June 2018 to agree arrangements for the review of each death of a child normally resident in their area. New child death arrangements must be in place by 29 September 2019. We request that CDR partners publish their arrangements by 29 June 2019, and notify NHS England at England.cypalignment@nhs.net when they have done so. Notification may take place either through sending a report that details the new arrangements, or through sending a link to the new published arrangements. For further details and useful documents including a Plan template and FAQ’s you can access the FutureNHS online platform. You can request access by emailing: england.cypalignment@nhs.net.

Announcements

GP IT Futures programme - Invitation to Tender launched

GP IT Futures programme have published the GP IT Futures framework (the first framework in the new Digital Care Services model) Invitation to Tender with the Official Journal of the European Union (OJEU). This signals the market for GP system supply is open to innovative and exciting companies at the cutting edge of healthcare technology. This is the next step in delivering the GP IT Futures replacement framework for GP Systems of Choice and sets out the high standards that we expect, so that you have the best digital tools and services now and in the future, aligned with the standards set out in the future of healthcare: our vision for digital, data and technology in health and care.

Are you ready for the NHS App?

A range of materials have been produced to help CCGs and GP practices prepare their staff and systems for the NHS App. GP practices across England are being connected to the NHS App by July 2019, giving everyone in England a consistent NHS service. Materials include a new film featuring GP practice staff in Liverpool talking about their experience of working with the app. Materials are also available to help CCGs and practices promote the app to patients once they are connected. Practice and CCG staff can join NHS England webinars to learn more and have any questions answered.

Publications

First Contact Practitioner specification published

The Elective Care Transformation Programme has published its specification for MSK First Contact Practitioner services, developed with the Chartered Society of Physiotherapy, setting out the actions that commissioners need to take to ensure direct access to these services for people with joint and muscle pain. This is to support national roll-out by 2023/24, in line with the commitment in the NHS Long Term Plan and GP contract framework to expand the number of physiotherapists working in primary care networks, enabling people to see the right professional first time, without
needing a GP referral.

Events

Health and Care Innovation Expo 2019

Registration is now open for this year’s Health and Care Innovation Expo, the biggest NHS led event of the year. This year’s Expo will focus on bringing the NHS Long Term Plan to life and give an insight into the latest NHS and social care plans, as well as a chance to meet the people leading transformation. Expo inspires leaders and clinicians to make improvements for patients and service users – almost three-quarters pledge to start new projects or initiatives after visiting. It unites people from right across the health and social care sector to share perspectives, learn from one another, and find solutions. Don’t forget to tweet us @ExpoNHS when you register and tell us why you’re attending Expo 2019. Please use the hashtag #ExpoUnites.