

OUR HEALTHIER SOUTH EAST LONDON JOINT HEALTH SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

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**Questions received from Jane Mandlik, Save Lewisham Hospital Campaign
(and replies provided by the OHSEL Team)**

The STP Governance and Accountability model (Draft dated Feb. 2017) shows that the STP Executive Group and STP Strategic Planning Group report to JOSc, Health and Wellbeing Boards, Trust Boards, CCG Governing Bodies and the CiC. Why was the CREDO report not reported to these bodies prior to submission of expression of interest to NHSE?

Reply:

Credo is a consulting company that has been commissioned by the STP to survey the views of NHS organisation and partners about the development of accountable (integrated) care in SEL and give the STP advice on how integration and population management arrangements might be taken forward.

This work, and the appointment of Credo, was reported at a public meeting of the STP Strategic Planning Group in September:

http://www.ourhealthiersel.nhs.uk/Downloads/Meetings/SPG/4%20Sept%202017/PAPER%20D%20-%20Cover%20Sheet_ACSs%20vFINAL.pdf

Subsequently stakeholders have been briefed on the development of this work via our regular newsletter:

<http://www.ourhealthiersel.nhs.uk/news-events/news.htm?postid=54902> and via briefings to health and well-being boards, and at events for leaders of our Trusts and CCGs.

The decision to submit an expression of interest in the second wave of ACS pilots will be taken at the STP Executive meeting on 15 December. Our potential interest in making a submission is guided by:

- The fact that SEL is already developing a number of ACS-like arrangements (in Bexley, in Bromley and through the mental health partnership) and the need to develop a coherent framework for this work across SEL
- Being part of a pilot would enable us to test on behalf of other parts of London, how integrated care can work across a complex system
- Participating in the pilot offers the possibility of support in terms of access to resource and expertise.

Is the submission a bid for funding or is it just seeking approval for an ACO proposal?

Reply:

We are not seeking approval for an ACO proposal (an ACO is an organisational form- ACS is about integration and population health management). As stated above, a number of integration arrangements are already emerging in SEL, the pilot offers us the possibility of additional support for these arrangements, and the opportunity to make sure they are coherent across SEL.

Is there an existing commissioning budget available to fund the ACO proposal?

Reply:

There are a number of existing integration projects in SEL, such as the integrated Bexley health and social care service. These are already funded by the NHS and local authority. The ACS project is primarily about bringing existing organisations together to provide better, more integrated care for a population. This does not in itself require a new commissioning budget. The development work we are proposing will require some project management support as we develop better ways of using information, estates and workforce, and as we develop organisations to work better together.

Does the ACO proposal relate to functions with "at scale" opportunities as listed in App. B of SEL CCG Review September 2017?

Reply:

The two things are unrelated.