

Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee (JHOSC) for North Central London Sector

25 March 2010

1. Support and Administrative Issues

- 1.1 The JHOSC has previously discussed its support needs and discussed these with NHS North Central London (NCL). Following the last discussion, the attached letter was received from NHS NCL.
- 1.2 Officers from boroughs included in the JHOSC have met to discuss this and administrative support for JHOSC. The view of officers was that the offer from NCL to provide officer time from within its public health team for specific pieces of work is welcome and could provide a useful means of providing evidence on best practice and outcomes. The drafting of a work plan based around NHS NCLs work streams would facilitate the best use of this resource as sufficient time will need to be provided to enable them to undertake the work required.
- 1.3 In terms of administrative support, the current level of activity by the JHOSC is viewed as being containable on the basis that each borough provides “payment in kind” by sharing the workload equally. This involves each borough taking a turn in hosting meetings and providing a minute taker. Support to the Chair and the Vice Chair will come from the borough from which these come from.

2. Recommendations:

- 2.1 That, in order to make best use of the support offered by NHS NCL, a forward plan for the JHOSC be developed based around workstreams within the QIPP.
- 2.2 That administrative support be resourced for the JHOSC by “payment in kind” with each participating boroughs contributing equally on the basis outlined.