

SCRUTINY REVIEW OF ACCESS TO GPs AND PRIMARY MEDICAL CARE

Summary

The second evidence-gathering session for the Committee's review of Access to GPs and Primary Medical Care will focus on a submission from Cleveland Local Medical Committee.

Detail

1. Cleveland Local Medical Committee (LMC) represents all GPs working in the Hartlepool, Middlesbrough, Redcar & Cleveland, and Stockton-on-Tees Local Authority areas. Further information can be found at <https://www.clevelandlmc.org.uk/>.
2. During the initial scoping element of this review, Cleveland LMC was identified as a key contributor and has subsequently been asked to respond to the following:
 - Brief background of Cleveland LMCs role with general practice in Stockton-on-Tees, including if they represent all practices within the Borough.
 - What is Cleveland LMCs remit with regards to decision-making on behalf of general practices?
 - Are Cleveland LMC able to deliver services on behalf of general practices and, if so, what do they deliver?
 - How Cleveland LMC engage with local practices, PCNs and the ICB regarding access to general practice.
 - Awareness of any access issues within Stockton-on-Tees (pressure points at different times of the week / day, impact of COVID, staffing, etc.).
 - How does Cleveland LMC respond to any concerns raised (e.g. local interventions with practices, negotiations as part of GPC) and has this informed change?
 - Views / input on published recovery plans.
3. The Interim CEO and Company Secretary of Cleveland LMC is scheduled to be in attendance to address the above lines of enquiry. A presentation has been prepared in advance and is included within these meeting papers.
4. A copy of the agreed scope and plan for this review is included for information.

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