

Title of papers:	Prescribing Clinical Network Summary of recommendations made on 1st May 2013 Summary of recommendations made on 29th May 2013
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Agenda item:	
For:	Decision:
<p>Brief summary: The Prescribing Clinical Network (PCN) was previously a decision making sub-committee of NHS Surrey. With the dissolving of the PCT, the CCGs in Surrey decided to continue with a collaborative approach in relation to the Prescribing Clinical Network in order to maintain the robust processes and minimise the potential risk of 'postcode prescribing'. The Prescribing Clinical Network has since expanded to include North East Hampshire & Farnham CCG, Crawley CCG and Horsham & Mid-Sussex CCG.</p> <p>Surrey Downs has representation from prescribing leads (GPs) from the four localities at the PCN. Papers have also been circulated to clinicians from the governing body for consideration and comment.</p> <p>The recommendations made from April to date are to be presented to the Surrey Downs Governing Body for agreement.</p>	
<p>Quality and patient safety issues: The Surrey Prescribing Clinical Network (PCN) was established in 2009 in order to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promote equity of access to medicines across our health community where there is increasing organisational autonomy and multiple care providers • Promote patient safety: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ through assisting in the implementation of NPSA programmes ○ encouraging the provision of accurate information on medicines • Have a consistent approach to value for money and opportunities for investment and disinvestment • Monitor the impact of its decisions within its member organisations • Help to ensure that the requirements of healthcare monitoring organisations are 	

met particularly with respect to timeliness and equity of access to new medicines

Policy statements in relation to the recommendations made are produced and uploaded onto the Prescribing Advisory Database (PAD) which is publicly available in the internet.

Financial issues:

Indicated on each item

Patient and Public Engagement

Workforce issues:

Statutory compliance:

Ratification of decisions by Surrey Downs CCG

Conflicts of interest:

Declared to the PCN is applicable.

Risk and assurance:

The PCN has engaged extensively with clinicians in primary, secondary and tertiary care which has led to a robust decision making process surrounding the use of medicines.

Accompanying papers (please list):

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