

Governing Body meeting

Questions received from the public with responses from the CCG

MEETING DATE: 18 November 2021

This set of questions was received prior to the meeting taking place, with the response document then published on the CCG's website and also emailed to those who submitted the questions. It has been updated since it was first published to include questions received in the meeting. Where a question was raised on behalf of a group the person's name is listed below; where the person did so as an individual then their name has not been published.

Question 1 Raised by a Bexley resident	And once again, when do live meetings recommence! A real answer would be great!
Response	Working with its health and care partners across south east London, the CCG is working to protect residents and staff from the current Pandemic. A decision was taken last year that, until further notice, meetings held in public by the CCG would be conducted virtually. We continue to monitor the situation and will reinstate live meetings when we believe it is safe to do so as we recognise the value of meeting in person. It is also important to note however, that this virtual approach has in many ways widened access and we are pleased to have increased the attendance at these meetings. We remain committed to supporting public access and engagement and will continue to challenge ourselves to do this effectively.

Question 2

Raised by Gay Lee, South East London Save our NHS

At the last PCCC meeting a question about the new provider contract for the Greenwich Peninsula GP Practice, elicited the answer that the new provider 'does not have close links to the American health by market'. Does it have any links at all, even if not close ones? We only require the reply: yes or no.

Response

The new provider has no known links with the American health market.

This next set of questions was submitted during the Governing Body meeting. Where a question was raised on behalf of a group the person's name is listed below; where the person did so as an individual then their name has not been published.

Question 3

Frances Hook, chair, Greenwich and Lewisham Keep our NHS Public

Who are the SEL ICS Systems Partners? And who are the members of the ICB?

Response

Christina Windle noted that the ICS (Integrated Care System) was a *system of systems* that included health and care organisations across south east London working with other partners such as voluntary organisations. The CCG was committed to working with other partners outside the NHS on decisions and would support the transition to an Integrated Care Board (ICB). NHS Trusts would remain statutory organisations, but the CCG would cease to exist and be replaced by the ICB. The board for this would have greater representation of partners such as local authorities and NHS providers.

Question 4

Frances Hook,
chair, Greenwich
and Lewisham
Keep our NHS
Public

Has the ICS/ICB produced their Constitution? If not will the residents of the SE London be involved?

Response

Christina Windle noted that the ICB would be required to have a constitution and work had started with an initial draft with a final version due for approval in March 2022. The constitution was a legal document, with the majority of its content prescribed already by NHS England guidance. The CCG is engaging with NHS trusts, local authorities, and other partners such as Healthwatch and voluntary organisations. The ICB will be developed to respond to the voice of patients and the public in south east London and asked Joy to outline the development here.

Joy Ellery agreed that working with people and communities going forward would require a published strategy, and a steering group with representation across south east London was leading on this work. There had been good sessions with the engagement assurance committee with members of the public from all six boroughs, to develop the vision and principles. There was a clear consensus that the system should be ambitious in order to make meaningful changes, working on problems and solutions transparently together with members of the public.