

26 March 2013

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Dear Dr Earnshaw,

### **CLINICAL COMMISSIONING GROUP AUTHORISATION FIRST CONDITIONS REVIEW OUTCOME**

I am writing to notify you of the NHS Commissioning Board's (NHS CB) decision on 22 March 2013 in relation to the first review of the conditions applied to NHS Wakefield CCG at authorisation.

The NHS CB will regularly review the progress of CCGs in relation to the discharge of conditions applied at authorisation. It was also agreed at the Board meeting of the NHS CB in September 2012 that the first review of conditions should take place before 31 March 2013. Sarah Pinto-Duschinsky subsequently set out the process for conditions review in her letter of 6 February 2013 to Regional Directors of Operations & Delivery and this was communicated to CCGs. The process has also involved a review of support levels applied to conditions.

#### **Decision**

Following the NHS CB CCG conditions review sub-committee meeting of 22 March 2013, the NHS CB has agreed that one condition should be removed leaving no conditions remaining.

Accordingly, your CCG is now authorised in full and without any conditions.

The outcome of the conditions review is set out in the attached conditions review report at annex A.

The NHS CB will not review this decision and neither the National Health Service Act 2006 (as amended) or the Health and Social Care Act 2012 provides for any appeal against the NHS CB's decision.

## **What do you need to do next?**

Of course, authorisation is the first step on your commissioning journey of continuous improvement. I know that you will now want to develop the full potential of the clinical leadership of commissioning for the benefit of your local community.

Over the next few weeks your area team will be in touch to begin the process of agreeing a development plan with you.

As set out in your authorisation letter, we will also today be writing to your accountable officer, setting out Clinical Commissioning Groups' legal responsibilities, along with other key information to support you in meeting your obligations as you become fully operational as a statutory body.

## **Conclusion**

On behalf of the NHS CB, I would like to congratulate you on becoming fully authorised and acknowledge the progress you are continuing to make through the hard work and commitment of you and your CCG staff. I would also like to encourage you to remain focussed on developing your organisation beyond the requirements of authorisation.

Should you require any assistance in understanding this decision, please contact your area team Director of Operations and Delivery in the first instance.

Yours sincerely,



**Ian Dalton CBE**

Chief Operating Officer and Deputy Chief Executive

Inc: ANNEX A – Conditions review outcome report for NHS Wakefield CCG