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Title of paper	Transition of Paediatrics from Ealing Hospital – CCG Update
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The Governing Body is asked to:

NOTE the update provided to the CCG Governing Body on the implementation of changes to paediatrics services at Ealing Hospital and the manner in which the CCG will be kept informed.

Summary of purpose and scope of report

The 'Shaping a Healthier Future (SaHF)' programme, led by local clinicians, proposed changes to services in North West London (NW London) that would safeguard high quality care and services for the local population. The principles behind this are about putting the patient at the centre of the NHS, providing more accessible care and establishing centres of excellence so that more expertise is available more of the time.

These changes have the unanimous support from all medical directors in NW London, who have written to the Health Secretary setting out that 'there is a very high level of clinical support for this programme across NW London' and that these changes will 'save many lives each year and significantly improve patient's care and experience of the NHS.'

Over the course of late 2014 and early 2015, the constituent CCGs of the Shaping a Healthier Future (SaHF) programme met to decide their role in the proposed closures of the Ealing Hospital maternity and paediatrics departments. This CCG took a decision to delegate responsibility for decision making in this matter to Ealing CCG.

CCGs which opted to delegate decision making responsibility asked the programme to keep them regularly informed of progress and risks arising. This paper is the next iteration of that update process, which also gives an additional opportunity for CCGs to advise how they wish to be involved in the next phase of the implementation.

Quality & Safety/ Patient Engagement/ Impact on patient services:
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Consolidating paediatric care (and therefore, staffing) to fewer sites will help us to meet the minimum levels of consultant cover needed to achieve this goal. The implication here is that the quality of care received by patients would be improved if paediatric services were transitioned to alternative sites.

Improving the level of consultant cover at fewer centres of excellence will deliver the following benefits:

Enable NW London to provide consistent 7 day services

Reduce paediatric Serious Untoward Incidents (SUIs) / Incidents

Reduce paediatric emergency admissions

Reduce mortality rates

Increase patient satisfaction

Expose trainees to a wider range of complex cases

The consolidation of paediatric service in North West London will also act as a platform for improvements to out of hospital care. One of the guiding principles of the Shaping a healthier Future programme is to provide high quality care as close to the patient's home as possible.

Finance, resources and QIPP

N/A

Equality / Human Rights / Privacy impact analysis
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A full equalities impact assessment was undertaken at the prior decision making phase for the programme. Work continues to update and refresh this, involving many local groups to improve the quality of our planning and decision making. Further work is also ongoing to reduce health inequalities in NW London.

Risk	Mitigating actions
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Note – comprehensive risk logs and registers are being managed by the programme, which are available on request.	N/A
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Supporting documents

N/A

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Governance and reporting

(list committees, groups, other bodies in your CCG or other CCGs that have discussed the paper)

Committee name	Date discussed	Outcome