

## THE FUTURE OF COMMUNITY PHARMACY Primary Care Networks & neighbourhood working in Greater Manchester

### How does the governance structure of each PCN work - do you anticipate a board style set up with a clinical lead?

(Source: The King's Fund Primary Care Networks Explained March 2019)

It is a requirement of the Network Contract DES that every primary care network would have a named accountable Clinical Director who does not have to be a GP. However, the governance structure within a PCN will be determined locally and recorded as part of completing a nationally mandated Network Agreement. It is anticipated that there will be a variety of staff engaged in the structure of each network.

### Each PCN is to have a Clinical Director, how are these to be appointed?

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Each PCN will be required to appoint a named accountable Clinical Director. A description of the role is available in the recently published "*Investment and evolution: A five-year framework for GP contract reform to implement The NHS Long Term Plan*". Work is currently underway, as part of the national support offer, to review the core characteristics and skills needed for this role and further information will be made available shortly.

**The LPC will continue to provide updates on the PCNs via these bulletins and our newsletter, we will be providing local/ neighbourhood-based resources and information, so please watch this space and save our website to your favourites!**