

Report title: Primary Care Update	
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1. Introduction

- 1.1 This report follows a Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee in June 22 that provided an overview of the current state of primary care services in Essex and the efforts being undertaken to transform service delivery. This report provides an update on the matters discussed including an overview of the Fuller Stocktake (a national review of primary care), actions undertaken since our June presentation and actions planned for the remainder of 2022/23.

2. Action required

- 2.1 This report is for noting and discussion.

3. Background

- 3.1 Primary Care (general medical services) manages an estimated 80% of all patient interaction with the NHS. The responsibility for the provision of primary medical care sits with the three Integrated Care Boards covering the Essex boundaries. Each Integrated Care System is implementing new models of primary care that aimed to better meet patient need through workforce transformation, digital solutions, workload efficiencies and engagement.
- 3.2 Subsequent to our update to the Committee in June 22, each Integrated Care System has been considering how it will implement the outcomes of the Fuller Stocktake, a national review of primary care that aims to spread good practice widely across primary care and integrate systems to better support primary care and the patients it serves.
- 3.3 This report overviews the changing approach to delivering primary care and the initiatives being undertaken across Essex to improve service provision.

4. List of Appendices

- App A: Primary Care Update to Essex Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee December 2022
- App B: Case Study from North East Essex
- App C: Case Study from Mid and South Essex