Our Dorset – Health and Care System Update

January 2022

Behind the scenes lots of work has been progressing on developing our integrated care system in line with national plans to reform health and care services. In December, Patricia Miller was appointed as NHS Dorset's designate chief executive and she will be starting in her new role on 01 February.

NHS Dorset will be the new statutory NHS organisation responsible for working with partners and local people to plan services that meet the needs of our communities. Patricia will be overseeing the creation of the new Integrated Care Board and will be working with partners on the wider ICS transformation.

A revised target date of 1 July 2022 has been agreed nationally for the new arrangements to take effect and Integrated Care Boards (ICBs) to be legally and operationally established. This is subject to legislation being passed.

In addition:

- Appointments are being progressed to form the Integrated Care Board
- The second stage of the NHS Dorset constitution has been submitted to NHSE
- Partners are working together developing a proposal for an Integrated Care Partnership Strategy which will support communities to lead healthy, thriving lives
- Proposals for a Dorset Provider Collaborative are being taken through Trust Boards for endorsement. The provider collaborative will bring together organisations delivering similar services to improve quality, use resources more effectively and deliver consistent quality services.
- The CCG are working across the partnership to co-create a strategy for working in partnership with people and communities for the ICB – with a focus on collaboration and co-production
- Partners are setting up a countywide citizens panel to jointly listen to, and act on, the experience and aspirations of local people. This will have a focus on reaching out to diverse communities and areas of inequality.

