

### PTS Tender Briefing

- The Warwickshire PTS contract covers Warwickshire North CCG, South Warwickshire CCG and Coventry and Rugby CCG as parties to this agreement.
- PTS tender process and service specification inherited from Warwickshire and Coventry PCTs.

### Tender Timelines

|  | <b>Time Period Allowed (Months)</b> | <b>Original</b>         | <b>Revised Timelines after pause</b> |
|--|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Notice of tender issued to WMAS PTS that contract ends on 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2014 and service to be tendered | N/A                                 |                         |                                      |
| PQQ Advert, responses, evaluation and CCG Board Approval   | 6                                   | January to June 2013    | November to December 2013            |
| CCG Board Approval of service specification and ITT questions  | 1                                   | July 2013               | October to December 2013             |
| ITT Published and evaluation   | 4                                   | August to November 2013 | January to May 2014                  |
| CCG Board Approval, award letters and legal standstill period.   | 1                                   | December 2013           | June 2014                            |
| New Provider implementation and mobilisation period. Includes TUPE requirements                                  | 3                                   | January to March 2014   | July to September 2014               |

### **Reasons for delays in issuing ITT and involvement of Healthwatch Coventry**

- Following a review of the final (draft) tender service specification made available in June 2013, significant issues were identified with the specification by both Arden CSU and the local CCGs. It was identified that the specification was not reflective of changes in latest hospital working practices and meeting newly redesigned care pathways.
- Decision made to pause PTS tender to rewrite the service specifications and supporting KPI's to meet the needs of the acute providers.
- Consultation with interested parties undertaken on revised service specification. On 9<sup>th</sup> August 2013 Healthwatch Coventry requested to comment on revised service specifications
- 16<sup>th</sup> August 2013 Health Watch responded with comments on service specifications

- 17<sup>th</sup> September further comments from Healthwatch Coventry following meeting with Esther Peapell- Coventry & Rugby CCG
- 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2013 Coventry & Rugby CCG agree final changes to service specification.

#### **Implications of delaying in issuing ITT**

- Due to pause in issuing ITT there could be a potential risk from unsuccessful PQQ providers challenging the validation process. To mitigate the risk the tender process would need to restart at the PQQ stage.
- Tender timeline updated and identified a need to extend existing contract for at least 6 months.
- The current provider WMAS would only agree to a 12 months due to the level of investment required from an estates, staffing and vehicle point of view in order that they can continue to provide a service to meet the needs of the patients and service users in a safe way.
- Decision made in October by Co-ordinating Commissioner (South Warwickshire CCG) following consultation with Warwickshire North CCG and Coventry and Rugby CCG to extend the existing PTS Contract for 12 months to March 2015.
- Tender process to start early 2014.

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