Delivering for today, transforming for tomorrow.

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What is the NHS Confederation?

- A membership organisation of NHS organisations
- Broad-based Group representing all parts of the NHS
- We convene the NHS – bringing it together
- We focus on the system, not individual parts of it
- We builds strong links with key strategic partners
- We shape debates and thinking.
Focus on the key challenges facing the NHS:

• Delivering services today
• Transforming for tomorrow
• The political context in which we are operating.
Pressure and strain across the system

Growing demand is putting unprecedented pressure on the system:

• Evidence is clear from the weekly and monthly flow of NHS performance statistics.
• Much of the media focus is on what happens in hospitals and in particular the hospital front door.
Pressures across the whole system

Growing demand is putting unprecedented pressure on the system:

• Increasing number of calls to Ambulance Services – conveying more people to A&E
• GPs – Workforce contraction at a time of growing demand
• Social Care – funding crisis, provider market failure and demand pressures.
• All signs that the system is creaking.
Pressure and strain across the system

• Despite a real terms NHS funding increase of 1.6% in 2016-17 demand continues to outstrip funding
• In real terms the budget is expected to increase from £120.512bn in 2016/17 to £123.202bn by 2019/20.
• Real concerns if we do not see movement in the Autumn budget
• Still defying predictions - Resilience of the NHS is a tribute to the dedication of NHS staff – important we acknowledge this.
Underlines the need for transformation

- We simply cannot keep doing what we have always done
- We need a 21st century health and care service which meets the needs of our 21st century population
- This requires fundamental change.
Sustainability & Transformation Plans

- 44 STPs setting out delivery over the next three years
- Variation in starting points
- Variation in engagement – clinicians, staff, public, stakeholders and politicians
- Variation in scope
- Variation in ambition
- Variation in relationships
- Variation in pace and progress.
STPs

• Likely to see continued variation in pace in different parts of the country
• Relationship and engagement are crucial to the next phase – making up ground
• Lessons of earlier place based initiatives
• Evolution of new organisational forms.
Accountable Care Systems

• 8 STPs have been identified as ready to move towards ACS status
• Plus the proposed Devolution deal in Surrey
• Accelerating the pace of transformation
• Important that all areas receive support.
Our Challenge

• To deliver unprecedented transformation whilst continuing to deliver high quality care
• To engage local populations, staff and other stakeholders in this transformation
• To turn emerging relationships into durable partnerships and lasting solutions
• To keep the NHS and wider system at the top of the political agenda against a backdrop of Brexit and other priorities.
Wider political environment

- The Government is ‘distracted’ by Brexit
- The way the Government works has changed & old routes in no longer work
- A different way of influencing is required
- No apparent chance of legislative change
- Still need to ensure that the proposed social care green paper delivers a sustainable solution
- Ensure that there is a strong focus on the NHS.
The NHS Confederation’s role

To support our membership to deal with the challenges of today
To provide support to members to transform services
To ensure that the Government is focused on what the NHS and the wider system need to deliver on all fronts.
Any questions