
**Manchester Health and Wellbeing Board
Report for Resolution**

Report to: Manchester Health and Wellbeing Board – 3 July 2013
Subject: Health and Wellbeing Board Membership
Report of: Councillor Paul Andrews, Executive Member for Adult Services

Summary

This report asks Health and Wellbeing Board members to consider the Local Medical Councils (LMC) request to have representation on the Manchester Health and Wellbeing Board.

Recommendations

The Board is asked to consider the request made by the LMC in the letter dated 13 June 2013 which is attached as appendix 1 of this report.

Board Priority(s) Addressed:

Priorities 1-8

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Background documents (available for public inspection):

Health and Wellbeing Board Terms of Reference (Public Health Manchester 2012)

Health and Wellbeing Boards: A Practical Guide to Governance and constitutional Issues (Local Government association 2012)

Introduction

1. Under the provisions of the Health and Social Care Act 2012 the Health and Wellbeing Board is required to set a core membership that must include:
 - at least one councillor from the relevant council
 - the director of adult social services
 - the director of children's services
 - the director of public health
 - a representative of the local Healthwatch organisation
 - a representative of each relevant clinical commissioning group (CCG)
 - any other members considered

It is under these provisions that members of the board may wish to consider the LMC request.

**Appendix 1: Letter to the Chair of the Manchester Health and Wellbeing Board,
13 June 2013**

Dear Sir Richard

Re: General Practice Representation on the Health and Wellbeing Board

I am writing with reference to the previous attempts Manchester LMC has made to establish representation on the Health and Wellbeing Board for the largest provider of NHS Healthcare in Manchester, namely General Practice and General Practitioners. 90% of patient contacts are with GPs, who undertake both the role of gatekeeper and holistic co-ordinator of care for patient pathways, therefore our involvement at a planning and a strategic level is vital.

The LMC has made contact several times dating back from 2010 to ensure we were involved in the early planning stages for the Board to represent GPs. Having recently had sight of the Work Programme for 2013/14, much of the success of many of the items listed in programme would depend on the cooperation and input from General Practice. I would therefore urge you to consider our role and how this can be incorporated into the structure of the board and I would be happy to discuss further should you so wish. I attach a copy of the timeline demonstrating the attempts the LMC has made to be involved and engaged in this process. I look forward to your response.

Yours Sincerely

[Signature redacted]

Dr John G Hughes
Honorary Secretary
Manchester Local Medical Committee