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Report to Scrutiny Board (Health and Well-Being and Adult Social Care)

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Subject: Review of Children's Neurosurgery - a proposed framework for services and standards specification in England

Are specific electoral Wards affected? If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s):	☐ Yes	☒ No
Are there implications for equality and diversity and cohesion and integration?	☐ Yes	☒ No
Is the decision eligible for Call-In?	☐ Yes	☒ No
Does the report contain confidential or exempt information? If relevant, Access to Information Procedure Rule number: Appendix number:	☐ Yes	☒ No

Summary of main issues

1. In January 2012, the Scrutiny Board received an update on the progress of the national review of children's neurosurgical services in England and considered some of the potential local implications of the review outcomes.

2. At that meeting, members of the Scrutiny Board were advised that draft documentation was due to be published, setting out the a proposed framework and specification standards for Children's Neuroscience Networks (for the Neurosurgical Child). Members of the Board expressed a desire to consider the proposed framework and standards documents once available.

3. To assist the Boards consideration, the following documents are appended to this report:

   - Briefing note from North of England Specialised Commissioning Group (Yorkshire and the Humber Office) – Appendix 1
   - Children's Neuroscience Networks (for the neurosurgical child); a framework for services in England (February 2012) – Appendix 2
   - Children's Neuroscience Networks (for the neurosurgical child): specification standards (February 2012) – Appendix 3
   - Children's Neuroscience Networks (for the Neurosurgical Child) – Questionnaire – Appendix 4

Recommendations

4.	To consider the information presented and determine any response to be the questionnaire (attached at Appendix), to submitted as the Board's response to the public engagement work.

Background documents

None