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## Report of the Head of Scrutiny and Member Development

**Scrutiny Board (Health)** 

Date: 12 December 2008

Subject: NHS Next Stage Review – High Quality Care for All

Electoral Wards Affected:	Specific Implications For:
	Equality and Diversity
	Community Cohesion
Ward Members consulted (referred to in report)	Narrowing the Gap

## 1.0 Introduction

- 1.1 In July 2008, the Scrutiny Board (Health) agreed the terms of reference for undertaking a scrutiny inquiry to consider the proposals for and implications of developing GP-led Health Centres (Polyclinics) in Leeds. The scope of the inquiry includes making an assessment of and, where appropriate, making recommendations on the likely impact of the NHS Next Stage Review on healthcare in Leeds in the short, medium and longer term.
- 1.2 The general purpose of this item is to provide the Board with an overview of how the recommendations of the NHS Next Stage Review report are being taken forward. In addition, while there is a specific item regarding the Board's inquiry into GP-led Health Centres elsewhere on the agenda, this may also usefully inform the Board's consideration of this aspect of the inquiry.
- 1.3 The NHS Next Stage Review sets out to help patients, staff and the public make the changes they need for their local NHS and it has been well documented that the review could bring about radical change in what the NHS delivers across England and how it is delivered. To assist the Board consider the likely impact of the review in the short, medium and longer term, each of the NHS Trusts have been asked to provide a briefing note on how this is being taken forward within their organisation. The following submissions have been received and are appended to this report:
  - NHS Leeds Appendix 1
  - Leeds Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust Appendix 2

- 1.4 Representatives from the Trusts have been invited to attend the Board meeting to present the submissions and address any comments and/or questions from the Board.
- 1.5 Regionally, the NHS Next Stage Review report has informed the development of 'Health Ambitions' – which sets out the Strategic Health Authority (SHA) vision for the NHS across the Yorkshire and Humber region for the next decade. This vision is summarised through a series of recommendations across eight pathways, namely the:
  - Staying Healthy Pathway
  - Maternity and Newbourn Pathway
  - Long term conditions Pathway
  - Children's Pathway
  - Planned Care Pathway
  - Acute Episode Pathway
  - Mental Health Pathway
  - End of Life Pathway
- 1.6 Recently, the SHA has produced an update on the implementation of *Healthy Ambitions*, which provides an overview of activity on a number of levels. This update is provided at Appendix 3.

## 2.0 Recommendations

- 2.1 The Board is requested to:
  - 2.1.1 Consider the information provided in this report and appendices and any specific matters discussed at the meeting;
  - 2.1.2 Identify any additional information that may be required and determine any specific matters that require further scrutiny;
  - 2.1.3 Determine how consideration of the information presented in this report may inform the Board's inquiry into GP-Led Health Centres.

## 3.0 Background Papers

Terms of reference – Inquiry into GP-Led Health Centres/Polyclinics (agreed 22 July 2008)

Healthy Ambitions – the outcome of the Next Stage Review in Yorkshire and Humber