

Report of the Head of Scrutiny and Member Development

Report to the Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee (Yorkshire and the Humber)

Date: 2 September 2011

Subject: Review of Children's Congenital Heart Services in England: Feedback from Yorkshire and the Humber Congenital Cardiac Network

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Summary of main issues

1. Attached is the Regional Congenital Cardiac Network Strategy (March 2011), which has been developed by the Yorkshire and the Humber Regional Congenital Cardiac Network Board. The strategy describes how services for children and adults with abnormalities of the structure of the heart (present from birth) are cared for across the region. It highlights where standards have been developed to ensure services are the best they can be and also presents key challenges for the future.
2. Also attached is the Network's formal response issued in response to the proposals set out in the *Safe and Sustainable Consultation Document: A new vision for Children's Congenital Heart Services in England (March 2011)*.
3. Representatives from the Yorkshire and the Humber Regional Congenital Cardiac Network have been invited to attend the meeting to present the attached documents and address any questions from the Committee.
4. As part of the public consultation on the future of Children's Congenital Heart Services in England, Health Overview and Scrutiny Committees have been given until 5 October 2011 to respond to the proposals. The attached documents aim to inform the Committee's response in this regard.

Recommendations

5. Members are asked to consider the details presented in the attached documents and identify/ agree any specific matters for inclusion in the Committee's report to be presented to JCPCT later in the year.

Background documents

- A new vision for Children's Congenital Heart Services in England (March 2011)