

Appendix 3

Terms of reference

With due regard to the general terms of reference as agreed between DH and the IRP, the Panel is to advise by 28 February 2013:

- a. whether it is of the opinion that the proposals for change under the “Safe and Sustainable Review of Children’s Congenital Heart Services” will enable the provision of safe, sustainable and accessible services and if not, why not
- b. on any other observations the Panel may wish to make in relation to the changes; and
- c. on how to proceed in light of a. and b. above and taking account of the issues raised by the Health Scrutiny Committee for Lincolnshire and by the Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland Joint Health and Overview Scrutiny Committee - subject to the proviso at d. below
- d. The decision of the Secretary of State taken regarding the designation of Birmingham Children's Hospital as a nationally commissioned provider of the Extra Corporeal Membrane Oxygenation service for children with respiratory failure - in place of the existing unit at Glenfield Hospital, Leicester - should not form part of the review as this decision was not taken by the Joint Committee of Primary Care Trusts.

This deadline for this review is subject to any further instruction the Secretary of State may need to issue in relation to timing in the light of the judicial review challenge brought against the Joint Committee of Primary Care Trusts