

Supporting documentation for clinical commissioning groups

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To support the development of CCGs to become fully authorised, the following material is available or is planned to be made available:

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Self-Assessment Diagnostic Tool

This is a co-produced developmental, interactive self-assessment tool that allows emerging clinical commissioning groups (CCGs) to understand and reflect upon their values, culture, behaviours and wider organisational health.

The tool enables emerging CCGs to identify for themselves their development needs. Whilst it includes some of the key areas that are likely to be required for authorisation, it also provides emerging CCGs with insight into how they can create vibrant organisations that can continually improve beyond the point of authorisation.

National Leadership Council (NLC) development tool on good governance

A development tool (a practical operational resource) commissioned from the NLC, complemented by a literature review and a set of case studies (drawn from practice based commissioning). This suite of documents was developed through co-production with the NHS, and has been updated to reflect the Government's response to the NHS Future Forum. The NLC have made the tool, the literature review and case studies available as web based documents.

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Commissioning Support CCG Running Costs Tool: A Ready Reckoner

An interactive tool to help CCGs understand the relationship between their size and financial resources, the opportunities and impact of sharing functions with other commissioning groups and the potential costs for different internal staffing structures.



Autumn 2011

The Functions of Clinical Commissioning Groups – Revised version

The original document (published in March 2011) set out for CCGs the legal requirements that would be placed on them subject to the passage of the Health and Social Care Bill. This revised version updates the March publication in light of revisions to the Health and Social Care Bill that impact on CCGs as a result of the NHS Future Forum Report and Government's response.

Commissioning Support

The document will set out the vision and expectations for commissioning support to become a vibrant, innovative and responsive market and the package of support we will put in place to support the development of emerging commissioning support services.

A Governance Framework for Clinical Commissioning Groups

A Governance Framework is being developed that will consider:

- Why good governance is critical to the design and operation of clinical commissioning groups;
- Developing a model constitution;
- The Accountable Officer and other lead clinical and managerial roles;
- Engaging the constituent members;
- Appointing lay and (non-GP) clinical members; and
- Managing conflicts of interest.

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Authorisation Framework

The framework setting out the detail of the process, how it will be conducted, and the requirements for emerging CCGs who want to move quickly to full authorisation.

This will be developed following further engagement with pathfinder CCGs and stakeholders.

Final guidance and regulations will be issued once the Health and Social Care Bill has Royal Assent.