

The Procurement- 2014

Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Clinical Commissioning Group tender Older People and Adults Community Services (OPACS), a large (£725 million) contract, tendered in an innovative fashion, based on an outcomes framework.

June- the four Healthwatch (Cambridgeshire, Peterborough, Hertfordshire and Northamptonshire) asked the CCG to attend a fact finding meeting, to explain in more detail the tendering process and intentions.

<http://www.healthwatchcambridgeshire.co.uk/news/older-peoples-and-adult-community-contract>

October- Uniting Care Partnership (UCP) was named Lead Provider

Contract Commencement- 2015

April- the Contract commenced

May- Contract negotiations continued

October- NHS England Monitor informed of contract dispute

December- The contract collapsed

Reviews, Learning, and Moving Forward 2015-2016

December 2015

11/12- The 4 Healthwatch wrote a public letter to the CCG, asking questions about the contract and its collapse:

<http://www.healthwatchcambridgeshire.co.uk/news/older-peoples-and-adult-community-contract>

17/12- Cambridgeshire County Health Committee scrutiny focus on OPACS arrangement for patient care following termination of the Uniting Care contract. (CPCCG invited)

<http://www2.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/CommitteeMinutes/Committees/Meeting.aspx?meetingID=1079>

January 2016

13/01- Response from the CCG to the Healthwatch letter:

http://www.healthwatchcambridgeshire.co.uk/sites/default/files/20160113_1215-014_healthwatch_response_re_opacs_contract.pdf

20/01- OPACS discussed at the Healthwatch Cambridgeshire Board Meeting. CCG provided an update on their position:

http://www.healthwatchcambridgeshire.co.uk/sites/default/files/03_minutes_20_01_16_draft_v_vm_0.pdf

21/01- Cambridgeshire County Health Committee scrutiny focus on OPACS termination of the Uniting Care contract (the following organisations in attendance CPCCG, UCP, CPFT, CUHFT):

<http://www2.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/CommitteeMinutes/Committees/AgendaItem.aspx?agendaItemID=12696>

February

12/02- Deadline for responses from stakeholders for the NHS England Review

02/24- CCG OPACS workshop:

http://www.cambridgeshireandpeterboroughccg.nhs.uk/downloads/CCG/Priority%20Older%20Peoples%20Programme/Older%20Peoples%20Programme%20Update%209_final.pdf

March

02/03 Letter from Monitor to the Cambridgeshire Health Committee (Appendix A):

<http://www2.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/CommitteeMinutes/Committees/AgendaItem.aspx?agendaItemID=12977>

09/03 CCG Internal Audit released:

<http://www.cambridgeshireandpeterboroughccg.nhs.uk/downloads/CCG/Priority%20Older%20Peoples%20Programme/Internal-Audit-OPACS-Report-10-March-2016.pdf>

10/03 Cambridgeshire County Health Committee scrutiny focus of regulators role in termination of Uniting Care Contract (NHS England & Monitor). Councillor Brian Rush (Chair of Peterborough City Council's Health Scrutiny Commission) was invited to participate.

<http://www2.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/CommitteeMinutes/Committees/AgendaItem.aspx?agendaItemID=12977>

April

NHS England release initial review, calling for further review. (No timeline has been released for follow up.)

<https://www.england.nhs.uk/mids-east/wp-content/uploads/sites/7/2016/04/uniting-care-mar16.pdf>

May

11/05- Healthwatch Community Learning Event

12/05- Cambridgeshire County Health Committee scrutiny focus of OPACS follow up from Healthwatch Event, confirmation of how integration model will be maintained along with patient care

June

CPFT due to release review conducted by the Judge Business School

July

National Audit Office review to be released before Parliament Summer Recess

14/07- Cambridgeshire County Health Committee scrutiny focus six months follow up OPACS, if deemed necessary.

Reviews planned or in process, information to be confirmed:

NHS England review follow up from the initial review

Anglia Ruskin University review