

HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD

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Title:	NHS England London Commissioning Intentions for 2016/17
Report of the Director of Public Health	
Open Report	For Decision
Wards Affected: ALL	Key Decision: YES
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Summary: The presentation in Appendix 1 provides an update on progress on the implementation of the 2016/17 NHS England (London) draft commissioning plans. It describes where we are in terms of commissioning plans for the following programmes of care: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Specialist commissioning• Antenatal and new born screening• Immunisations and child Health Information Systems• Screening programmes (adult and cancer)• Health in the Justice System services	
Recommendation(s) The Health and Wellbeing Board is asked to note and comment on NHS England (London) draft commissioning intentions for 2016/17.	
Reason(s) Under the Health and Social Care Act 2012 the statutory Health and Wellbeing Board has a duty to protect the health of the population. This includes assuring that steps are taken to protect the health of their population. Barking and Dagenham's Director of Public Health (DPH) has a duty to 'provide information and advice to every responsible person and relevant body within, or which exercises functions in relation to, the authority's area, with a view to promoting the preparation of appropriate local immunisation and screening arrangements'. In order to undertake this duty, and to provide appropriate advice as to the adequacy of local health protection arrangements, the DPH needs to be assured and satisfied that there are adequate health protection immunisation and screening plans in place in the Borough.	

NHS Public Health Functions Agreement (Section 7A or s.7A) of the NHS Act 2006, as amended by the Health and Social Care Act 2012, outlines the specific responsibilities of NHS England for the commissioning of certain public health services as part of the wider system design to drive improvements in population health.

Where the Director of Public Health identifies issues it will be his or her role to highlight them, and escalate issues as necessary, providing advice, challenge and advocacy to protect the local population.