

**NCL ICB Primary Care Committee Meeting (3 September 2024) – Questions from the public**

<b>Agenda item</b>	<b>Author</b>	<b>Question</b>	<b>ICB response</b>
2.1	Vanessa Piper	<i>I understand that NHS England has enforcement powers "to require providers to remedy licence breaches where there is evidence that this has occurred." and that AT Medics /Operose have 50 plus contracts nationwide Have NCL asked them to use those powers to deal with this "serious breach" nationally and what was the response?</i>	NHS England has delegated the responsibility of Primary Care to Integrated Care Boards ('ICBs'), therefore each ICB across England is required to take its own decision in relation to AT Medics' breach of contract.
2.1	Vanessa Piper	<i>In the PCC papers there is much mention of re-procurement using APMS contracts (e.g. p44). Given the AT Medics "serious breach" will the PCC now award contracts under the Most Suitable Provider Process, in the new Provider Selection Regime, perhaps to Haringey GP Federation, or other local practices. If this is not considered can the PCC explain why?</i>	The ICB will be required to use the correct Provider Selection Regime ('PSR') route in line with regulations. This has not been determined yet. Once a decision is taken the final plan for implementation of that option will be developed. If the Committee chooses to approve option 3, the paper notes the most likely route under PSR is competitive procurement, but each service and contract will be looked at individually. Implementation plans will come back first to the Committee's Part 2 meeting in private.
2.1	Vanessa Piper	<i>Given the serious nature of the PCC potentially terminating 6 contracts in the NCL area can PCC advise whether all stakeholders especially those that expressed concerns about AT Medics/HCRG breach of contract including one Sir Keir Starmer were be informed of this meeting where a decision is to be made which affects thousands of patients?</i>	Details of and meeting papers for the Primary Care Committee on 3 <sup>rd</sup> September are available on the ICB website. They have been shared with key local stakeholders – this includes the Health Leads from the five Local Authorities and local MPs. Meeting papers were published on our website on 27 August.
2.1	Vanessa Piper	<i>I understand that members of PPGs and patients (including St Anns) have been engaged but were for instance MPs from boroughs with practices involved, Lucia das Neves. Pippa Connor, Chair of JHOSC, and Sharon Grant Healthwatch (and other Healthwatches) advised of the nature of the PCC 3/9/24 meeting?</i>	Details of and meeting papers for the Primary Care Committee on 3 <sup>rd</sup> September have been shared with a range of local stakeholders including the health leads from the 5 Local Authorities. Meeting papers were published on our website on 27 August. Healthwatch are regular attendees of the Primary Care Committee are aware of the nature of the meeting.