## NHS Customer Board for Procurement and Supply Northern Customer Board Meeting 8<sup>th</sup> September 2017

## KEY POINTS Workstream updates

Category	Key updates
Strategic issues	CCS are establishing a workforce project with STPs. The Lancashire     Procurement Cluster will work with CCS on this key strategic initiative.
Meeting the financial challenge	<ul> <li>Ambulance &amp; Acute Trusts working together - Electrodes project -</li> <li>NHS Supply Chain Savings to the end of June are £239.2m which is £17.7m ahead of plan. Capital savings are £144.5m which is £34.5m ahead of plan.</li> <li>NHS Supply Chain: The North has the highest percentage of Compare and Save achievement at 12.9%, being 1.6% above other regions.</li> <li>CCS have re-developed the data pack with more focus on activity and opportunities.</li> </ul>
Developing the procurement function	• <b>NCP programme</b> is being accelerated to include a number of sub groups where there has been a sole award with a phased approach to ensure suppliers have stock available.
	<ul> <li>Capital plans are delayed from trusts this year but engagement is good with Trusts level work being done to reduce unforeseen expenditure as this negates the available savings. Regional Savings and Improvement Groups are scheduled for meeting in November</li> </ul>
	• <b>NWPD/Greater Manchester</b> are now at business case stage for the Greater Manchester Procurement and now have a structural understating about how the new procurement can be organised across the area.
	NHS Digital to attend a future meeting
Meeting the quality challenge	<ul> <li>CET: 4 new Clinical Specialists Leads have been appointed, and there are 4 new reports live on the website.</li> <li>GS1: A funding announcement will be made in January 2018 for funding for the next 25 sites with a projected go live in April 2018.</li> </ul>
Communications	<ul> <li>FOM: The DH have completed a survey to ascertain how effective their engagement with trusts has been.</li> <li>FOM: A briefing document is due out from the DH week commencing 11th September 2017, summarising all the information on the FOM, there will be supplementary information on the Office Solutions contract and webinars to provide additional communications and support.</li> <li>Work has begun on developing a case study for the region</li> </ul>
How we work as a Board	• The <b>member representation map</b> highlights areas where there is less representation on the board; Cumberland & Westmorland. The Chair will review and consider where further representation is required and consider inviting Trust representatives to the Board to address those gaps.