

Agenda Item: 5.2

**CCG Risk Share for GP Services Cumbria and the North East
Sponsor: Chief Operating Officer**

Members of the Northumberland Primary Care Commissioning Committee are asked to:

- 1. Consider NHS England's risk share proposal for GP Services.**
- 2. Approve the risk share agreement and provide delegated authority for the CCG's Chief Operating and Finance Officers to sign.**

Purpose

This report outlines the proposal for a GP Services risk share agreement for Cumbria and the North East Level 3 delegated commissioning Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCG).

Background

Practices can claim reimbursement, in line with the GMS Statement of Financial Entitlements (SFEs), for employing a locum or using current part time GP partner to cover Sickness, Maternity, Paternity or Adoption leave of a GP partner. In addition a GP performer who is suspended from the medical performers list may be entitled to payments direct from NHS England or the CCG. These costs are unpredictable and vary significantly year on year therefore for the past 2 years Durham, Darlington and Tees Area Team, and Cumbria, Northumberland, Tyne & Wear Area Team were allocated a single budget.

Further background is at Appendix 1.

Proposal

To best protect the financial positions of Level 3 CCGs NHS England have proposed a risk share agreement across the 13 CCGs with costs distributed in line with the allocation as at 1 October 2014 (which was split on a weighted capitation basis). The CCG's percentage share of cost would be 9.99%.

Recommendation

The Northumberland Primary Care Commissioning Committee is asked to approve the proposal and provide delegated authority for the CCG's Chief Operating and Finance Officers to approve the proposal on their behalf.

Appendix 1 – NHS England Risk Share for GP Services proposal

