



To: Calderdale LMC
Humberside Group of LMCs
Kirklees LMC
Wakefield LMC

cc: Leeds LMC

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Dear All

General Practice Mentoring PLUS

Thank you for the collective support shown at the recent Y&H LMC Alliance meeting towards General Practice Mentoring PLUS, the mentoring initiative developed by YORLMC and Leeds LMC.

Briefly General Practice Mentoring PLUS

- is providing bespoke mentoring to GPs and other staff working in General Practice by trained mentors who are also GPs
- is supporting long term personal and career development for individuals working within General Practice healthcare teams

Information about the Hub and how it will operate is described in Appendix 1.

YORLMC is holding residual practice manager development grant funding for Kirklees, Leeds and Wakefield LMCs and those LMCs will also receive a spreadsheet specific to their LMC setting out expenditure and residual balance.

YORLMC has sought NHSE's permission to flex the unspent elements of this residual grant funding to enable mentoring to be made widely available to Practice Managers and other members of the practice team with responsibility for making decisions on behalf of patients or on behalf of other colleagues, i.e. individuals including nurses with supervisory duties and/or with leadership responsibilities.

If this permission is granted YORLMC will, on behalf of the Hub invite Kirklees & Wakefield LMCs to either

- invest their share of the residual funding in the Hub, ring fenced to deliver mentoring to qualifying non-clinical staff working in General Practice within that LMC's locality
- or
- arrange for funds to be returned and managed in house by that LMC

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Please be aware that as the unspent funds represent grant funding YORLMC is required to seek NHSE's views as to whether YORLMC is required to return funding to NHSE for onward transfer to individual LMCs or whether NHSE is agreeable to YORLMC transferring residual funds directly to individual LMCs. NHSE's response will form part of the audit trail.

I hope you will not hesitate to get in touch if you have any questions or require any additional information at this stage.

With best wishes

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A Foulston'.

Angela Foulston
Associate Chief Executive

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