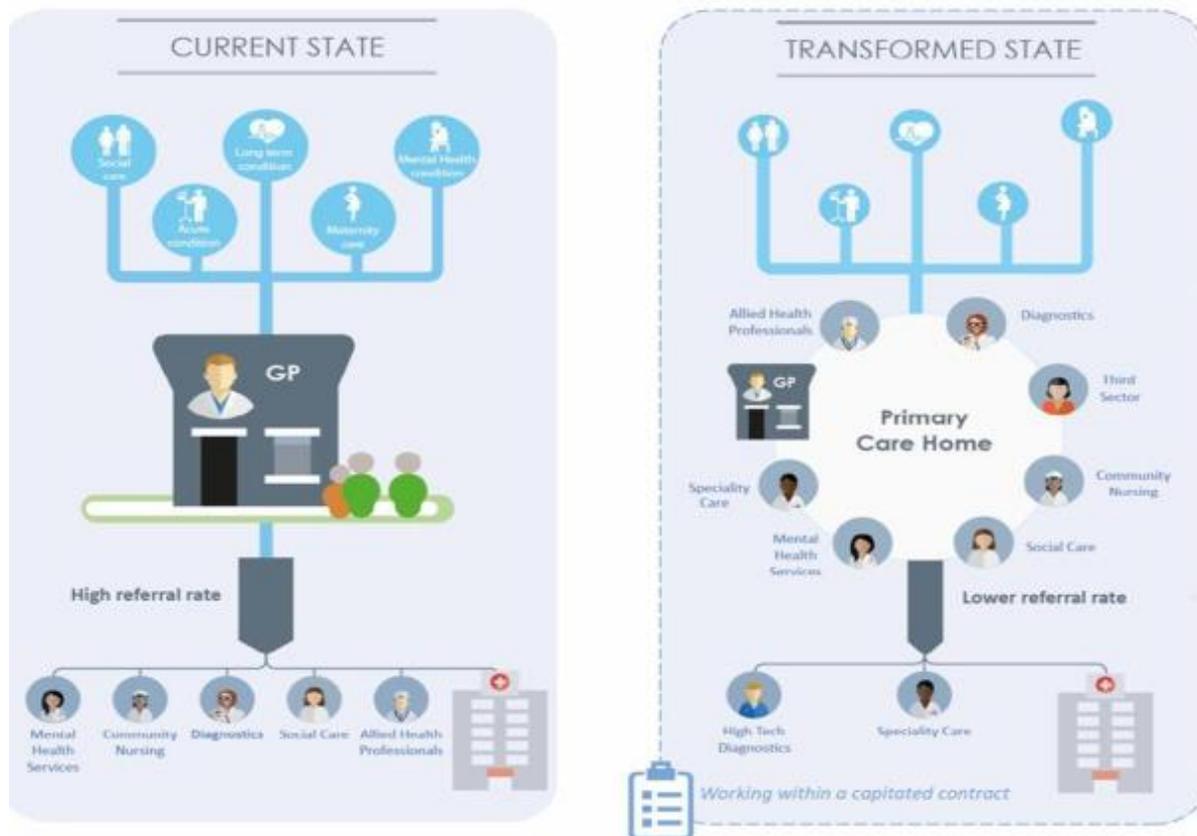


## Primary Care Home – Briefing for Leeds Pharmacies

### What is a Primary Care Home / Local Care Partnership (LCP)?

Primary Care Home is an innovative approach to strengthening and redesigning primary care. Developed by the National Association of Primary Care (NAPC), the model brings together a range of health and social care professionals to work together to provide enhanced personalised and preventative care for their local community. Ultimately, staff come together as a complete care community – drawn from GP surgeries, community, mental health and acute trusts, social care and the voluntary sector – to focus on local population needs and provide care closer to patients’ homes.

### The NAPC describes four core characteristics of a Primary Care Home



### What’s happening now?

The Leeds CCGs are pro-actively developing the Primary Care Home model, which in Leeds is being called Local Care Partnerships. Leeds is moving forward with setting up and developing its Local Care Partnership neighbourhood teams. These teams are made up of representatives from primary and social care. The basis of each Local Care Partnership is a registered population of around 50,000 patients. Each GP practice has been aligned into a LCP neighbourhood team. Leeds already has active neighbourhood teams in Armley, Morley, Pudsey, Woodsley & Holt Park and Yeadon.

### **What will Local Care Partnerships be in the future?**

The vision is that Local Care Partnerships will have aligned clinical and financial aims and a unified, capitated budget. The Local Care Partnerships will make joint decisions on how the funding is spent working towards a combined focus on personalisation of care with improvements in population health outcomes. i.e. they will have money and will be allocating how this is spent within their neighbourhoods.

### **Why is this relevant to community pharmacy?**

Community Pharmacy West Yorkshire see that it is essential that community pharmacy is part of any Primary Care Home / Local Care Partnership. We need to ensure that there is a clear community pharmacy voice on each Local Care Partnership - after all, community pharmacy is an essential part of Primary Care. If we are not part of the Local Care Partnership neighbourhood teams there is the chance that the system will evolve without community pharmacy and that opportunities to better use the skills of community pharmacy teams and for new commissioned services will be lost.

### **I have other pharmacies outside of Leeds - what is happening in these areas?**

Leeds is the first area to implement Local Care Partnerships / Primary Care Home.

The GP practices in the Bradford CCGs are have also aligned into Primary Care Home neighbourhoods.

It is likely that other areas will also implement this model, but the scale and pace of this will be different in each CCG area. Community Pharmacy West Yorkshire will keep you informed as other areas look to implement Primary Care Home.

### **Want to know more details?**

More details about Primary Care Home (the national name for the Leeds Local Care Partnerships) can be found on the NAPC website: <http://napc.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2017/10/PCH-brochure-2017.pdf>.

