

Central Midlands Commissioning Support Unit



## **Health Service Public Consultations**

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http://vimeo.com/69224754

http://www.kingsfund.org.uk/projects/nhs-65/alternative-guide-newnhs-england

## What are CSUs and CCGs?

NHS Commissioning Support Units offer an efficient, locally-sensitive and customer-focused service to CCGs:

- Transformational commissioning functions, such as service redesign
- Transactional commissioning functions, such as market management, healthcare procurement, contract negotiation and monitoring, information analysis, and risk stratification.

## Why do we consult?

## What the DoH said

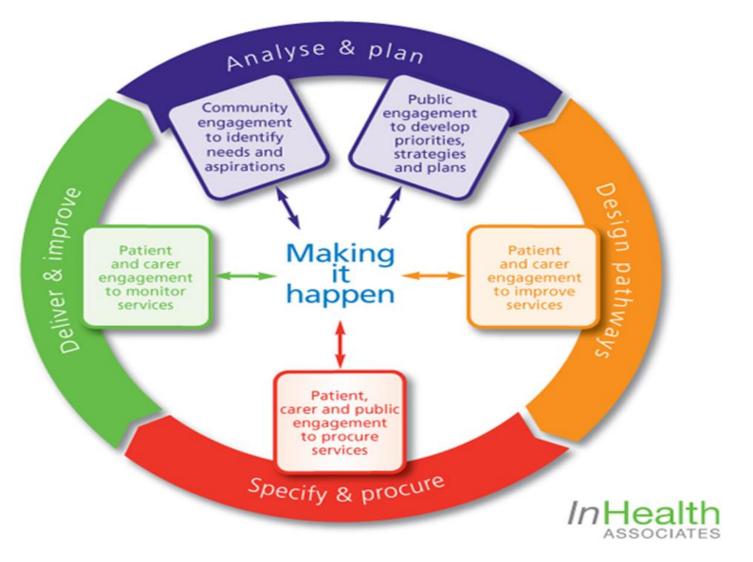
To involve patients and the public in developing, considering and making decisions on any proposals that would have a significant impact on service delivery or the range of health services available

> The Functions of GP Commissioning Consortia – a working document March 2011

# The benefits of consultation

- Patients are part of the solution
- Services meet the needs of those who use it
- Enables informed decisions
- Reducing legal and financial risk
- Bringing diverse perspectives together
- Encourages co-design

## How do we engage?



## Dialogue methods

Qualitative vs Quantitative?

Deliberative events: Focus Groups, Public meetings

Questionnaires/ Surveys, leaflets

Online and social media – Twitter, blogs, CCG and partner websites

## Local channels for engagement

- CCGs:
- ✓ community development workers
- ✓ Patient participation groups
- ✓ Patient Councils, advisory groups

- Partners Healthwatch, voluntary and community groups
- Be- Heard website

## Challenges we face

- Question: How do you receive information?
- Same people
- Reaching a wider audience
- Encouraging participation and involvement
- Public scepticism tick box or genuine?
- Consultation fatigue

## What is the aim of **involvement**?

Joining professionals and public to create a more engaged health community

## One aim, achieved three ways:

## Three Networks

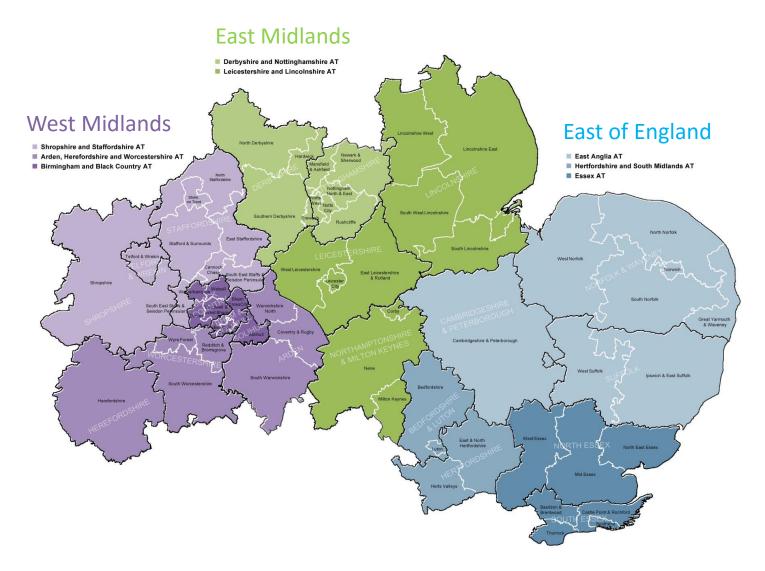
Two online platforms

One team of Navigators

East Midlands, West Midlands and East of England; belong to a professional health community Connecting professionals, engagement tools and resources Connecting you Signposting to support and resources

Signposting patients and public to how they can get involved

## 3 Networks



# 2 Platforms involvement

#### **involvement** – professionals and lay experts

Share and rate tools and resources

for effective participation

- Sources of good practice
- Lists recognised / recommended suppliers



### involvement - patients / public

Register interests, connect with opportunities for participation

- Offers links to healthcare / voluntary, community sector / charities
- Encourages patients and public to get involved

# 1 – Navigation team

 'Navigation Team' purpose: make meaningful human connections, open doors, share resources, link organisations

- One navigator for each area:
  - → West Midlands: Preetpal Channa
  - → East Midlands: Ruth Follows
  - → East of England: Christine De Souza

# Involvement Reference Group

• Recruiting 12 volunteers

Commitment:

- Quarterly meetings or more as required
- Active for programme duration / up to two years

To apply:

- Terms of Reference
- Expression of Interest

## Questions?