

Clinical Commissioning Group

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Dear Sir,

I have great pleasure in enclosing our submission to become a Health and Social Care Integration Pioneer Programme. This is an important, high profile programme, and we welcome the opportunity to be part of this to support us on our path to integrated working.

Luton makes a compelling case to become a Pioneer site. We are taking a *whole life, whole systems* approach to integration, providing a holistic view of integrated services. The Borough faces a number of demographic challenges that are consistent with other areas; however, Luton also has the added dimension of having high levels of deprivation in a population that is also increasingly young and "super diverse". As a pioneer site, we will develop learning which is relevant and can be shared with many areas across the country, but will also offer valuable insight to others into how these defining factors affect the outcomes achieved from integration.

Luton has a track record for innovation in integration. We were one of the first locations to establish a Health and Wellbeing Board, and we are working closely with partners across the Borough to develop and implement a number of pioneering initiatives with our innovation partner, the University of Bedfordshire. These established mechanisms will support us in delivering our ambition.

You will see in our submission that we are already working on an integration programme and have a number of pilot initiatives in place. We believe this is an agenda which can not wait, and are excited to be pioneers in this area and committed to working with the Department of Health to share our learning with others as part of the programme.

Yours faithfully,



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