

**Re: Strategic review of palliative care services in Hammersmith & Fulham, Kensington & Chelsea and Westminster.**

Dear Sir/Madam,

We are writing to inform you that a strategic review of palliative care services is launching today across Hammersmith & Fulham, Kensington & Chelsea and Westminster.

The review will look to recommend a new commissioning model that delivers high quality care and services locally for patients, their families and carers.

The review is being led by Independent Chair Penny Hansford who will work alongside a Clinical Steering Group, to review national strategy and policy, best practice alongside local views and the need to develop a sustainable, long-term clinical model. Penny Hansford, has had an extensive career in palliative care, as former Director of Nursing at St Christopher's Hospice in South London.

Representatives from acute, community and hospice providers will also form part of the clinical steering group, alongside members of Healthwatch, to ensure patient voices are heard throughout.

**The review**

The first stage of the review is the call for evidence. Local stakeholders, patients, families and carers, together with experts in the field, are invited to submit written evidence to support the development of the Clinical Steering Group recommendations.

Findings of the review, including options for a future model of care will be reported to the Clinical Commissioning Group's Governing bodies for consideration in spring 2019. The review does not consider reducing the capacity of our palliative care system.

**Call for evidence**

We welcome submissions from all interested parties but particularly encourage submissions from:

- people with palliative care needs who live in Westminster, Kensington & Chelsea and Hammersmith & Fulham, their families and carers;
- local organisations representing the views of people with palliative care needs in the area;
- groups or organisations reflecting local communities, particularly those who may typically be underrepresented;
- providers who deliver palliative care services to people in Westminster, Kensington and Chelsea and Hammersmith and Fulham;
- other health and care organisations and local stakeholders;
- national, regional or local organisations with expertise in this area.

To submit your views on palliative care services please complete the attached questionnaire, or visit [www.centrallondonccg.nhs.uk/your-services/palliative-care](http://www.centrallondonccg.nhs.uk/your-services/palliative-care) and submit to

[nwlccgs.triborough.palliativecare@nhs.net](mailto:nwlccgs.triborough.palliativecare@nhs.net). The deadline for submission is the **13 February 2019**.

Any questions please do not hesitate to contact us, on the email below:  
[nwlccgs.triborough.palliativecare@nhs.net](mailto:nwlccgs.triborough.palliativecare@nhs.net).

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jules Martin', with a stylized, cursive script.

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