Nottingham & Nottinghamshire LMNS response to East Kent 'Reading the Signals' Report

Our LMNS recognises that there are strengths and areas for growth in our system. Our approach to the Ockenden recommendations has been recognised positively by NHS England. We will therefore be incorporating the East Kent recommendations into our established approach.

Key system messages we will be focusing on in our Local

Maternity and Neonatal System (LMNS):



INVOLVING AND LISTENING TO FAMILIES

We will continue to invest resource into our Maternity Voices Partnership, develop our Neonatal Voices Partnership and consult with those who have lived-experience in all our system approaches.



KEEPING WOMEN AND BIRTHING PEOPLE SAFE

We will continue striving to make care safer, more personalised, kinder, professional and family friendly. We will ensure families have access to information which enables them to make decisions about their own care with uncompromised support and guidance from practitioners.

KEEPING BABIES SAFE

By developing neonatal services to make sure that women and birthing people can give birth in the place that is safest for them and their baby with staff who are fully trained in monitoring the wellbeing of babies before they're born.



KEEPING STAFF SAFE We will continue to ensure staff have all the skills they need to safely care for babies, women, birthing people, and their families. Our aim is for staff to work in high performing teams, in organisations which are well led and in cultures which promote innovation, continuous learning, and break down organisational and professional boundaries.

LEARNING FROM INCIDENTS

We will learn from incidents within our system, making clear action plans to make necessary changes to promote safety.

BEING CLEAR WITH THE PUBLIC ON WHAT TO EXPECT

We aim to be clear and transparent with our population about what they can expect from maternity and neonatal services.

USING DATA, INFORMATION, INTELLIGENCE AND INSIGHTS

We will continue to frequently analyse trends in data representing our birthing population and care to provide a clear and meaningful narrative of our system performance.



PRIORTISE EQUITY

We will continue to strive for equity in the care that is provided across our system with the aim of our birthing population having equality of opportunity to achieve their best outcomes.

FOCUS ON NEONATAL SERVICES

Neonatal services will be a primary focus of our system, to provide the system attention neonatal care deserves and building capacity for neonatal leadership

WORKING WITH NHS ENGLAND AND REGULATORS



We will continue to work with our regulators and governing bodies to access the support required that is personalised to our system needs. We will continue to demonstrate the need for recurrent funding to support our transformational work for sustainable positive outcomes.