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Dear colleague

New Chief Executive Officer appointed for Sussex and East Surrey Clinical Commissioning Groups

We are pleased to be writing to let you know that we have formally appointed Adam Doyle as the new Chief Executive Officer for the Clinical Commissioning Groups across Sussex and East Surrey.

Adam has been working across the eight organisations as Accountable Officer on an interim basis for the last three months and his leadership role has now been made substantive following a robust interview process. The job title has changed to a CEO as this better reflects the significant leadership responsibilities that the position holds. The appointment is fully supported by all the CCG Governing Bodies and has been endorsed by NHS England.

It was always the intention to make the shared leadership role permanent and we are delighted that Adam has agreed to take up the post. Since Adam began overseeing all eight CCGs we have already seen a number of benefits to how we have worked. Our relationships with providers and regulators has improved, there has been greater strategic oversight that has allowed for more consistency in how we work, and we have been able to manage risks, issues and large pieces of work in a more robust and collaborative way.

Three of our CCGs – Crawley, East Surrey and Horsham and Mid Sussex – had their legal directions for quality of leadership lifted by NHS England last November, just ten months after Adam had taken over the leadership of the organisations. During this time, all three organisations have been working with Brighton and Hove CCG and High Weald Lewes Havens CCG to collectively achieve greater control on their finances and are now in a much stronger position to meet their financial commitment. Additionally, Coastal West Sussex CCG have made significant improvements since Adam took over in April last year, particularly around the governance and staff morale, and are now on a stronger financial footing.

We believe having Adam as the single CEO, our organisations will be able to build

on the progress we have already been making and be in a stronger position to address the challenges we collectively face. As CCG Chairs, we are committed to ensuring that local services are commissioned in a way that best meets the needs of the populations we serve and are sustainable and affordable for the future. We believe this can be best achieved by working together as CCGs in a more collaborative way. The appointment of a single CEO provides the opportunity to take this forward in earnest and begin to look at how we can work more effectively for our patients and populations at both regional and local level.

We hope you welcome this appointment positively and we would like to thank you for your ongoing support.

Kind regards

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