

MEETING:	HEALTH SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
DATE:	1 MARCH 2009
TITLE OF REPORT:	SCRUTINY REVIEW OF GENERAL PRACTITIONERS (GP) SERVICES
REPORT BY	DIRECTORATE SERVICES OFFICER (HEALTH)

CLASSIFICATION: Open

Wards Affected

County-wide

Purpose

To consider the report of the scrutiny review of General Practitioners (GP) Services.

Recommendation(s)

THAT:

- (a) **the Committee considers whether it wishes to agree the findings of the review of GP Services; and**
- (b) **subject to (a) above, the Committee invites GPs to discuss the findings with the Committee prior to requesting a formal response from NHS Herefordshire.**

Key Points Summary

Alternative Options

- 1 The Committee could decide not to agree the findings or propose amendments.
- 2 The Committee could decide to refer the agreed findings directly to NHS Herefordshire.

Reasons for Recommendations

3. The Committee is required to formally consider and approve the findings of scrutiny reviews.

Introduction and Background

4. The Committee agreed a scoping statement for a review of GP Services in March 2009 and appointed a Review Group to conduct the Review.

Further information on the subject of this report is available from
Sara Siloko, Directorate Services Officer (Health) on 01432 344344 X3851

5. The report of the Review Group is appended.
6. It would generally be the case once a Scrutiny Review is approved for the report to be submitted to the NHS and other bodies to whom the recommendations are addressed, with a written response and an action plan then being submitted to the Committee's next meeting. In this case it is proposed that GPs will be invited to the Committee's next meeting to discuss the findings. A formal response to the findings of the report would then be invited having regard to the outcome of that discussion.

Appendices

Scrutiny Review of GP Services

Background Papers

- None identified.

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