

M4 (July 2021) Position Buckinghamshire CCG



Month 4 - Overview

- H1 (April to September 2021) Finance Regime is in place with a current allocation of £447.4m.
- Payments to Acute Providers remain on a Block basis calculated from 20/21 payments uplifted by 0.5% net inflation & Independent Sector Providers now contracted and paid by the CCG.
- No further retrospective funding except for Hospital Discharge Programme and vaccination costs.
- Reported position and forecast are:

	YTD £000's	Forecast £000's
Plan - BAU	0	0
In year actual	(133)	(405)
Hospital Discharge Programme – M4 claim	(1,086)	(3,686)
Reported Position	(1,219)	(4,091)

- The in year BAU deficit of YTD £(133)k and FOT of £(405)k relates to increased activity by Independent providers which the CCG is requesting funding from the Elective Recovery Fund. To date ERF funding for M1 & 2 has been received of £411k.
- Funding for Hospital Discharge Programme and Vaccination charges covering M1 to M3 of £2,955k was received in M4. M4 HDP spend of £1,086k is expected to be funded in future allocations.

Summary

- The following table shows the overspend position by area:

Summary of position						
Month 4 July 2021	Annual Plan	Plan to Date	Year to Date Actual	YTD Variance	Forecast outturn	Forecast Variance
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Allocation	447,430	301,061	302,279	(1,219)	451,520	(4,091)
Commissioning						
Planned and Unscheduled Care	240,108	162,013	162,045	(32)	240,409	(302)
Prescribing	37,598	25,065	25,017	48	37,654	(56)
Mental Health & Joint Care	41,273	27,515	27,539	(23)	41,307	(33)
Community	32,417	21,611	21,686	(74)	32,525	(108)
Continuing Healthcare	30,793	20,528	20,361	167	30,544	249
Delegated Co-Commissioning	39,592	26,242	26,242	0	39,592	0
Primary Care IT	1,135	756	756	0	1,133	2
Other / Reserves	19,379	13,904	15,275	(1,371)	23,322	(3,943)
Commissioning sub-total	442,294	297,637	298,922	(1,285)	446,485	(4,192)
Running Costs	5,136	3,424	3,357	67	5,035	101
Total CCG Expenditure	447,430	301,061	302,279	(1,219)	451,520	(4,091)
Planned deficit	0	0	0	0	0	0
Surplus/Deficit In Year	0	0	(0)	0	0	0

*The above table includes Covid-19 Charges in YTD & FOT

COVID

The following table is a summary of spend to M4

4	M1-6 Plan £	YTD budget from April £	YTD (Actual) £	Variance £
- BOB PPE cell			-	0
- Practice Claims	643,000	428,667	12,369	-416,298
- Easter Opening			-	0
- Text Messages	75,000	50,000	52,307	2,307
- Hospital admission avoidance			203,606	203,606
- Remote digital services/service changes	504,000	336,000	331,191	-4,809
- Timing Differentials			1,111,380	1,111,380
- CHC assessment costs	416,000	277,333	64,275	-213,058
Covid Line/Triage Swabbing Services Hot Hubs Visiting Service Clinical and Operation On - Call Other	1,996,000	1,330,667	647,538	-683,128
CCG covid	3,634,000	2,422,667	2,422,667	(0)
- HDP (CCG)	2,926,000		3,991,551	1,065,551
- HDP (Fed Bucks)			10,000	10,000
- HDP (BCC)			-	-
- HDP (BCC Equipment)			-	-
HDP claim YTD 1-6 to be received	2,926,000	2,926,000	4,001,551	1,075,551
Other out of Envelop costs	29,000	29,000	39,111	10,111
			6,463,328	1,085,662

In H1 the CCG received an allocation to cover COVID costs of £3.6m.

The table shows an indicative split of the use of that budget.

There is an uncommitted budget of £1m which is expected to be utilised to cover the 3rd wave that has started to impact Buckinghamshire.

Hospital Discharge Programme covers 6 weeks costs for M1 to M4 of £4m, M1-3 funding has been received in M4 of £2.9m, M4 spend is to be funded retrospectively.

Other out of envelope costs relate to recovery of vaccination costs of which 29k funding has been received.

Risks and Mitigations

The following risks have been identified for HI (April to September – 6 months) that are not included in the forecast:

- Prescribing **£1.5m**. Expected growth in 21/22 is 5% which is above planned growth of 0.68% and covers population growth, increase activity in Mental Health drugs, respiratory drugs and CCG to fund Freestyle Libre.
- NHS 111 First **£0.5m**. Bucks share of the increase in activity due to receiving very high call volumes at the moment. National modelling has been undertaken forecasting demand to be 25% above 19/20 for a prolonged period of time for many months to come. A national allocation was received for 111 first for M1-4 but is expected to stop. of additional activity
- **Total Risks £2m.**

Risks and Mitigations

- If the risks materialise in the H1 period, then to achieve a balanced position mitigations will need to be identified of **£2m**. Currently these are:
 - Recovery of a historic payment in CHC **£0.2m**
 - Unidentified mitigations **£1.8m**. Schemes to be identified and worked through.

Capital

- The CCG has an allocation held at NHSE of £928k
- Expressions of Interest have been submitted and accepted covering:
 - Corporate Laptop replacements - £30k
 - Minor Improvement Grants - £116k
 - Network enhancement to support Windows 10 and Single Domain - £740k
 - Mergers and Migrations in GP surgeries - £72k
- There is an over commitment of £30k that will be covered with slippage or schemes not going ahead.
- PIDs were submitted by the end of June 2021 and feedback has been received. Revised PIDs are now being worked up to address issues raised and will be resubmitted followed by sign off from NHSE.

Appendix

Explanation of Overspends

Outturns M4

Area	Reported YTD	Comment	M6 Forecast Variance
Planned & Unscheduled Care	(32)	Acute pressure of £302k relates to increased pressure in cataract activity at Non-NHS providers (Spamedica and Community Eyecare) £415k and £256k pressure in activity from BMI and Ramsey above contracts which £411k ERF (Elective Recovery Fund) funding has been received in M4, the CCG is expecting the remaining to be funded from the ERF. The balance of £42k relates to Thames Hospice pressure due to increase in activity.	(302)
Community Services	(74)	Pressure being seen in Community Equipment in Health and Contenance products areas due to increased activity. The increase is in relation to the rate of Hospital discharge and cost of hospital avoidance. The CCG is also checking to see if there is an opportunity to charge some costs to the Hospital Discharge Programme.	(108)
Prescribing	0	The CCG has received PPA data covering May - this is 2 months behind. Due to the volatility of the data and insufficient information to calculate trends for this year so have accrued costs to Budget. The CCG is expecting pressure as the growth funding allocated is lower than expected - 0.68% compared to 5% which currently is included in risks.	0
Continuing Healthcare	167	Continuing Healthcare has seen a small reduction in forecast costs of £250k as a result of growth expectations not being materialised.	249
Other Primary Care	(1,347)	The majority of the overspend relates to the HDP (Hospital Discharge Programme) - £3,686k that is funded retrospectively. Within this area is a forecast QIPP made up of an Efficiency requirement at 0.28% = £975k and planning gap of £1,3621k total £2,336k. Work is underway to determine mitigations that can be used of £2,336k to balance the position e.g. Budget reviews and application of Qipp schemes and non-recurrent measures which the CCG believes it will find and therefore forecasting breakeven.	(4,031)
Running Costs	67	Underspend relates to contribution to efficiency as a result of vacancies and staff secondments	101
Total	(1,219)	In year deficit re HDP and ERF costs retrospectively funded	(4,091)
Plan	0		0
Total Position	(1,219)		(4,091)