

## EAST OF ENGLAND CLINICAL SENATE OFFER

East of England Clinical Senate will bring together health and social care professionals and patients to provide independent, sound, thoughtful clinical advice and leadership for strategic service change in the region that will improve patient outcomes and population health.

### Offer 1: formal clinical advice

Clinical Senate will respond to requests from NHS England, Clinical Commissioning Groups, providers, Local Authority / Health & Wellbeing Boards and other stakeholders for formal clinical advice on matters that will support commissioner decision making and / or where there is a need for advice or recommendations on complex clinical issues would benefit from a whole system, strategic response.

### Offer 2: informal support

Clinical Senate will support commissioners in the early stages of service development with informal clinical advice, i.e. being a place to enable and have safe conversations with other clinicians and stakeholders on proposed service development.

### Offer 3: thought leadership

Clinical Senate will proactively provide clinically driven advice and thinking on areas for service improvement or where a whole system strategic response is required.

### NHS England assurance process for service change

At the request of NHS England as part of its service change assurance process, Clinical Senate will provide independent clinical advice on a service change proposal.

Clinical Senate involvement in this process does not preclude Clinical Senate from offering formal or informal advice to Commissioners at an earlier or developmental stage of the service change proposal.

### Measurement will be through the following success criteria:

- i) Commissioners and providers understand who the senate is and how they can request advice
- ii) Senate provides a timely response to requests received
- iii) Advice provided is found to be appropriate and useful by those who commissioned it

### Governance

Clinical Senate is overseen by NHS England with an accountability and governance framework to ensure that process and procedures are robust.

Clinical advice offered is independent; all advice provided will be available on a public website and published in Senate Annual Report.

### Values and principles:

East of England Clinical Senate is committed to the NHS Constitution and to NHS England values and will work collaboratively with patients and carers, through the East of England Citizen's Senate, to ensure they have a strong and positive influence in the development of Senate advice.

Clinical Senate will work with other Clinical Senates across the country and with East of England partners (e.g. Academic Health Science Networks, Public Health England, Health Education England).