

Appendix A

Assurance mapping against the strategic commissioning framework via ICB committee structure

Strategic commissioning framework assurance mapping The following maps the core requirements of the framework to the ICB assuring committees.	Finance & Contracting Committee	Quality & Outcomes Committee	Commissioning Committee
Annual update against integrated needs assessment – including analysis of the gap between current provision and desired future provision.			X
In line with the Core20PLUS5 approach and considering health inequalities more broadly, outline how different population groups access services and experience care and how their outcomes vary, and consequently how any gaps will be narrowed through the ICB strategy and population health improvement plan.		X	
Annual baseline mapping exercise to risk assess the healthcare services it commissions - including analysis of the gap between current provision and desired future provision.			X
Annual review of Five-Year Commissioning Strategy			X
Prioritisation of current and potential commissioning intentions in Five-year Commissioning Plan (population health improvement plan) taking account of the neighbourhood health plans produced by health and wellbeing boards within the ICB geography, the 3 strategic shifts in the 10 Year Health Plan and the national planning commitments, including national access and quality standards.			X
Scale of commissioning (multi-ICB, system, place and neighbourhood, joint commissioning with local government)			X
Commissioning for improved quality, defined as improved experience, safety and outcomes as well as equity of access based on population groups and agreed priorities		X	
Overall configuration of services commissioned allowing access, quality and financial sustainability standards to be met across the whole system, addressing local constraints including estates/capital and workforce	X	X	X
Exploring different contractual forms	X		
Taking steps to ensure the levels of service set out in national contracts are consistently in place and are performing effectively across the ICB area	X	X	
Understanding current and future costs of commissioned services and considering different financial and risk share models to incentivise partnership working across VCSE, primary, community, secondary and social care to deliver the agreed priorities	X		
Optimal workforce deployment in the commissioning of services, including exploration of innovative ways of working to maximise value and efficiency across the system			X
Commitment to market shaping and management working, including with local government	X		

Investment following prevention opportunities to focus resources on interventions that deliver long-term health benefits, reduce cost and alleviate pressure on the wider health and care system	X		X
Where a movement of resource is required, a clear prioritisation methodology has been used with full transparency to all partners with a provider impact analysis undertaken.	X		
Explore a range of payment and risk share mechanisms, including designing incentives to improve quality, equity, efficiency and productivity; implementing risk mitigation strategies; using financial stewardship tools; and deploying payment models to improve equity.	X		
Risk-based assessment of the contract(s) it holds, taking account of safety, quality, finance and operational performance, and tailor contractual monitoring and intervention accordingly	X	X	
Understanding gaps or challenges in the achievement of agreed priorities or within individual commissioned services			X
Ensuring quantitative metrics are triangulated with qualitative data, professional insight and regulatory intelligence (such as complaints, 'You and Your General Practice', Freedom to Speak Up, Patient Safety Incident Response Framework and safety incident data)		X	
Development of an evaluation approach by March 2027			X