

## One Croydon Alliance Commitment Statement

## December 2020

The One Croydon Alliance Partners (Croydon Health Services, Clinical Commissioning Group, Age UK Croydon, Croydon GP Collaborative, South London and Maudsley NHS Foundation Trust and Croydon Council) work together in a 10-year Alliance Agreement to further integration and improve outcomes for Croydon residents, helping to establish and maintain system financial stability. A directional statement was agreed by One Croydon Alliance in 2019 and this update builds on the current environment and reinforces the partnership commitment.

During the COVID-19 pandemic, One Croydon organisations and the wider voluntary and community sector have come together to support each other and residents. The maturity of the partnership meant that despite immense pressure on individual organisations and changing accountabilities, there has been quick and effective action to respond to the pandemic.

The financial position of Croydon Council, with the issuing of a Section 114 notice, presents another challenge for One Croydon, but we believe that there is strength in our unity. All partners remain committed to working together as a local system to find solutions where possible and mitigate any negative impact for Croydon residents. We believe that greater integration will support us to achieve efficiencies across the system and a sustainable health and care system that works for Croydon people.

We wish to restate our commitment to partnership working and the One Croydon Alliance principles as we move forward with the delivery of our Health and Care Plan and the establishment of the Croydon Health and Care Board. The One Croydon Alliance reconfirms its commitment to whole system savings and effectiveness and continuing to work under our shared set of agreed principles:

## One Croydon Alliance principles

- Acting in accordance with the needs of people in Croydon and the achievement of positive outcomes, recognising the cultural diversity within the borough
- Embracing a culture of openness, trust, and transparency
- Making decisions on a unanimous, best-for-outcomes basis
- Being collaborative, co-operative and timely in our approach to system transformation and decision making
- Continuing to operate to principles of co-design and co-production through engagement with the people of Croydon
- Being mindful of the wider impact of decisions and actions
- Committing to a "no disputes" approach to resolving issues
- Being transparent with each other, sharing information, learning and best practice
- Committing to a culture that promotes innovation and transformation across the system, and organisational boundaries.



All partners welcome the NHS England document, *Integrating Care, Next steps to building strong and effective integrated care systems across England.* The focus on stronger partnerships in local places between the NHS, local government and other partners is the direction we have been building towards in Croydon since 2017 when the One Croydon Alliance Agreement was first signed.

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