

## Wave 1 Start Clinical Redesign

The 28 national first wave sites have moved into the collaborative phase of the programme. All 28 sites have achieved a minimum of level 3 on the *PBC Assessment Framework* and chosen their first PBC service areas to work on.

450 attended the first PBC learning workshop in May. Sixteen presentations of redesigned services from across the country were showcased in breakout sessions, and discussed in local team planning sessions.

*"the sessions were very practical and relevant to practices"*

*"It has done more for PBC in our PCT than 20 meetings would have"*

A huge 94% rated the event as 'good' or 'excellent'

Lord Warner, Minister for Health, joined the conference through a video link for question and answers. In addition, delegates were given a rare opportunity to

step into the shoes of a hospital NHS trust chief executive through an engaging presentation by Jim Easton, Chief Executive of York Hospitals Foundation Trust. Jim helped the whole audience to better understand how to negotiate with acute trusts in redesigning care.

Examples of clinical areas now being tackled by wave 1 sites include;

- A care pathway for Deep Vein Thrombosis in South Gloucestershire,
- Integrated clinical assessment services for gynaecology in primary care in South Manchester
- A PCT-wide clinical assessment service for minor surgery is being developed in Northamptonshire Heartlands
- Blackburn with Darwen are incrementally adding different treatments within a nurse-led minor injury service
- PBC clusters in Barking and Dagenham are working on COPD, developing a multidisciplinary team to avoid unnecessary hospital admissions and repatriate outpatient activity back into the community.



*Team-time for Somerset PCTs at a PBC Development Programme workshop*

## 146 New Local Improvement Teams on PBC Wave 2

146 teams have now started work on wave 2 of the PBC development programme. PBC preparation training for the new recruits is being run at three venues in June and July (see *diary of dates* overleaf).

## Don't miss out!

October is the final recruitment date for the third (and final) wave of the programme. £10,000 is available to support participation of one improvement team from each PCT area (old boundaries) on one of the waves. Contact your local IF centre for more details or visit the IF website PBC home page [www.improvementfoundation.org](http://www.improvementfoundation.org) (click on the 'How to Participate' icon).



*Team from Ashton Leigh & Wigan PCT working through the tasks at a simulation event*



**"PBC is not negotiable for PCTs"** Lord Warner, Minister of State for Reform

Speaking at the Public Service Reform Conference on 6th June, Lord Warner stressed the importance of PBC and said " I shall be making it clear to the new PCT Chairs and Chief Executives (as well as existing ones) that PBC is something that they need to support and is not negotiable for PCTs.

And there are some who claim they can not afford it and I give the same answer to them. The answer to those PCTs who claim that they cannot afford it is that they cannot afford not to do it!"

## Web Forum

A web-based discussion group hosted on the Improvement Foundation site now has 240 registered members. To join go to [http://npdt.org/PBC\\_forum](http://npdt.org/PBC_forum) and follow joining instructions. Bookmark the page and set your computer to remember your password in order to quickly access new postings

*Jacquie White, Programme Director, presenting award to John South from "Wirral Wanderers" one of the three top teams at the Huddersfield simulation event*



## Three years on from PBC....

40 teams from across the country have sampled three years in a health economy under PBC. The one-day simulation events were run by Neil Wilson and his team and taken to London, Leicestershire and Yorkshire.

Neil Wilson, a former Department of Health advisor on Payment by Results, devised the simulation to give teams real practical experience of how PBC could work in a fast-paced local context.

Now health economies who want to do more PBC

*"Could appreciate increased possibilities for PBC"*

*"We had someone from social services on our table and it was very interesting to hear her perspective"*

simulation work can commission their own local event. Interested people should contact their SHA PBC lead or the PBC team at the Improvement Foundation Manchester office.

## Local Learning exchanges ... "provide lots of helpful ideas to take home":

*"I could never manage to get my head around PBC - today made it a lot clearer"*

*"Excellent learning opportunity, very helpful"*

Learning exchanges are being run in SHA areas, contact your local IF centre for more details or visit the IF website PBC home page.

## PBC Policy Update

The service eagerly awaits the publication by the Department of Health of the commissioning framework in the summer. Policy development for PBC has been moving steadily since the publication of *Practice based commissioning: achieving universal coverage*, the DES for PBC and the key statement on budget setting in April. SHAs continue to send in monthly reports on PBC implementation.

The PBC team at DH are planning to publish in July an assessment of locally delivered information tools designed to support PBC. These will be available at: [www.dh.gov.uk/practicebasedcommissioning](http://www.dh.gov.uk/practicebasedcommissioning)

### DH National PBC Conference May 11:

Secretary of State, Patricia Hewitt, delivered a keynote speech at this conference and was very clear that "PBC and strong PCTs are crucial to delivering our vision of an NHS that places the patient at the heart of everything it does" and that "PBC was a huge challenge, but also a huge prize"

Further information, including presentations, at [www.dh.gov.uk/practicebasedcommissioning](http://www.dh.gov.uk/practicebasedcommissioning)

## Revisit the Webcasts



Did you log on to the live webcasts in April and May? If you missed them the full recordings and accompanying slides can now be downloaded from the PBC home page of the IF website [www.improvementfoundation.org](http://www.improvementfoundation.org) (click on the *Live Webcasts* icon)

### - Bill McCarthy: Acting Director of Policy & Strategy, Department of Health

An Overview of PBC Guidance and the DES

- Dr Michael Dixon: Chair of the NHS Alliance and GP PBC: What's in it for me?

- Neil Wilson: Neil Wilson Associates and former advisor to the Department of Health on PBR

Understanding Payment by Results & Developing Practice Plans  
- Dr. Luke Twelves: GP and Chair of HuntsComm Strategic Committee

Practice Based Commissioning – Developing a GP Consortium in Huntingdonshire

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## PBC Development Programme Events Diary

Date	Event	Location
<b>Wednesday, 7th June</b>	<b>PBC Training : Day 1</b> Northern wave 2 sites	Palace Hotel, Manchester
<b>Tuesday, 13th June</b> 9.30am—1pm	<b>PBC Learning Exchange</b> Essex Strategic Health Authority area	Waterfront Place, Chelmsford
<b>Thursday 29th June</b>	<b>PBC Training : Day 1</b> Southern wave 2 sites	Hilton, London Metropol Hotel
<b>Monday 3rd July</b> 1pm—4.45pm	<b>PBC Learning Exchange</b> North East SHA area	Ramside Hall, Durham
<b>Wednesday 5th July</b> 12.30pm—3pm	<b>PBC Learning Exchange</b> Yorkshire and the Humber SHA area	Holiday Inn, M1 Junction 40, Wakefield
<b>Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> July</b> 9.30am—4pm	<b>PBC Learning Exchange</b> South West Peninsula SHA area	Novotel, Plymouth
<b>Tuesday 11th July</b>	<b>PBC Training : Day 1</b> Midlands wave 2 sites	Walkers Stadium, Leicester
<b>Wednesday 12th July</b> <b>Thursday 13th July</b>	<b>PBC Training : Days 2-3</b> Northern wave 2 sites	Palace Hotel, Manchester
<b>Tuesday 18th July</b> 12.30pm—3pm	<b>PBC Learning Exchange</b> Yorkshire and the Humber SHA area	Royal York Hotel, York
<b>Thursday 20th July</b> 12.30pm—3pm	<b>PBC Learning Exchange</b> Leicestershire, Northamptonshire & Rutland SHA area	Marriott Hotel, Leicester
<b>Tuesday 25th July</b> <b>Wednesday 26th July</b>	<b>PBC Training : Days 2-3</b> Southern wave 2 sites	Hilton, London Metropol Hotel
<b>Tuesday 1st August</b> <b>Wednesday 2nd Aug</b>	<b>PBC Training : Days 2-3</b> Midlands wave 2 sites	Hilton, Birmingham Metropol Hotel

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