

## **HULL Clinical Commissioning Group Individual Funding Request (IFR) Management Pilot May 2016**

On 1 March 2016, North of England Commissioning Support (NECS) assumed responsibility for the Individual Funding Request (IFR) Service to the eight clinical commissioning groups within the Yorkshire and Humber region; this extends the service provided by NECS to eighteen CCG's

To ensure that the IFR service encompasses all localities, a revised pathway is proposed to guarantee that the end to end process is replicated and transferable over a wider geographical footprint and importantly that the responsibilities and arrangements around governance of the decision making process are verified contemporaneously by Hull CCG, who are piloting the proposed new process.

From 01 May 2016 for the trail period, all new cases will follow the proposed pilot pathway. There should be no impact upon individual clinicians; there is a new referral form (which is attached) which will be the route for requesting IFR's.

The IFR team having ensured that the request is complete will make one of the following recommendations to the CCG:

- Approve funding
- Reject Funding
- Refer the request to the IFR panel, or a nominated CCG clinician (Dr. Zoe Norris during the pilot), for further review, input and decision ratification.

Following the decision of all funding requests, the IFR team will communicate the decision (by agreed template responses) by email.

Existing cases will be managed under the usual process, we aim to ensure that there is no interruption to service delivery and appreciate your support with the pilot.