



**NHS Hampshire and Isle of Wight ICB
NHS Frimley ICB**

Friday, 19 January, 2024

Re: Transfer of Hampshire Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services

Dear Partner,

As part of work to transform community, mental health and learning disability services across Hampshire, we have recently made the decision to change the way child and adolescent mental health services (known as CAMHS) are provided.

Hampshire is covered by both NHS Hampshire and Isle of Wight Integrated Care Board and NHS Frimley Integrated Care Board. To meet the needs of our communities and to support greater collaboration in our systems, the current CAMHS service provided by Sussex Partnership NHS Foundation Trust will be changing to a new NHS Trust.

From 1 February 2024:

Patients living in the NHS Hampshire and Isle of Wight Integrated Care Board area will receive the same CAMHS service from Southern Health NHS Foundation Trust. As part of existing plans to establish a new NHS Trust later this year, a change of provider now will allow for a smooth transition.

Patients living in the NHS Frimley Integrated Care Board area in North East Hampshire will receive their CAMHS service from Surrey and Borders NHS Foundation Trust. This change in Trusts will provide greater geographical alignment of services for the local community, reduce inequalities and improve population health. This change will also align adult and children's services under a single NHS provider for the residents of North East Hampshire.

For Hampshire, the positive changes to our CAMHS services will lead to improved consistency of care, better access for patients and more opportunities to join up services in localities. The feedback on services we have received from patients and stakeholders will help to inform this journey of transformation.

Staff currently employed by Sussex Partnership will transfer to the new providers in February. During this transition period, together with the Trusts, we are working hard to reduce any disruption and will continue to support the children, young people and families using these services. We would like to thank Sussex Partnership for all their support to develop the service and wish them well as they put a greater focus on the transformation of services in the Sussex geography.

Kind regards,

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