



19th October 2020

Elizabeth Mahoney
South West Regional Director
NHSEI

Dear Elizabeth

Integrated Care System Designation

I am writing to confirm our collective support for Bristol North Somerset and South Gloucestershire (BNSSG) Sustainability and Transformation Partnership (STP) to come together as an Integrated Care System (ICS), working as partners to improve the health and wellbeing of our population.

We see the coming together of our ICS as part of an ongoing development journey for our partnership. A key priority for the next phase of our development journey is to develop a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between us as health and partners about how we will move forward as an ICS.

We will develop the MoU through a process of facilitated engagement with our system leaders and the leadership of our sovereign organisations, including engagement with our Boards, Governing Bodies and Elected Members. We have no presumptions at this point about the future form that our ICS will take, especially the role of the Local Authorities in the ICS, as this will be a key focus of our engagement in developing the MoU.

We are proud of the progress we have made through collaboration in service of the people of BNSSG since our partnership was established in 2016. We have submitted information separately, using the template provided by your team, to demonstrate that BNSSG meets NHSEI minimum operating requirements of an ICS. This submission also includes examples of the progress we have made to date and an outline of our ICS development plans going forwards.

We are due to meet with you on 21 October to discuss next steps. Please don't hesitate to contact us should you require any further information in the meantime.



Yours sincerely,

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