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To:
Pharmacy, Optometry
and Dental Contractors in
the Surrey Heath & Farnham area

3rd March 2026

Dear colleagues

Re: ICB Merger & Boundary Changes – 1 April 2026

We are writing to inform you of upcoming changes to commissioning arrangements.

As part of NHS England's programme to implement Integrated Care Board (ICB) mergers and population boundary changes from 1 April 2026, there will be four ICBs in the South East region:

- NHS Hampshire and Isle of Wight ICB
- NHS Surrey and Sussex ICB
- NHS Thames Valley ICB and
- NHS Kent and Medway ICB

Responsibility for commissioning services from pharmacy, optometry and dental contractors based in Surrey Heath & Farnham will transfer from NHS Frimley ICB (sending ICB) to NHS Surrey and Sussex ICB (receiving ICB).

These changes follow the national technical guidance published on 23 September 2025 and form part of a statutory process.

What this means for your contractual arrangements:

- From 1 April 2026, the commissioner for your service with be NHS Surrey and Sussex ICB
- All contracts will transfer automatically to the new receiving ICB via a statutory Staff and Property Transfer Scheme on 1 April 2026.

- Your current contractual arrangements and expectations will continue as normal and there is no action you need to take.

Please continue to use the South East Commissioning Hub teams as your first point of contact for any enquiries.

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Yours sincerely



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