**Stakeholder Report Form  
EoE Primary Care School Board Meeting**

| Programme / Workstream Name: | Foundation Trainee Pharmacist Programme | | |
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| Programme Lead: | Nikkie Umaru covering (Leora Sluckis resumes post in November) | | |
| PCS School Strategy Objective: | Placement Cpacity | | |
| Period of Update: | May to October 2024 | RAG Status for project: | Amber |
| Programme / Workstream Summary | | | |
| The full implementation of the initial education and training of pharmacist reforms commences July 2025. Trainee pharmacist training will include independent prescriber training and from July 2026, a requirement for a trainee’s placement to be undertaken in more than one sector. All efforts are being made to support community pharmacy training sites to secure partnerships with hospitals or GP practices to fulfil both requirements according. Although the pharmacy team has engaged with ICBs and Training hubs to support introductions to facilitate discussions, this remains a challenge, particularly as we approach the timeline for training sites to evidence how trainees will be supported with their independent prescriber training provision. | | | |
| Key Highlights | | | |
| Ongoing engagement across the region to increase offer of foundation pharmacist trainee rotation in Primary Care (GP Practices/PCN). There has been an improvement in agreements in principle with potential to confirm actual provision for the 2025/26 training year. | | | |
| Decisions made since last update | | | |
| Continued engagement using all means available including through training hubs. | | | |
| KPIs | | Financial Performance | |
| N/A – NHS England providing support rather than a requirement to ensure training sites secure partnerships. | | N/A | |
| Operational Updates | | Progress on previous goals | |
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| Risk Assessment Overview: *(Issues, Risks, Concerns, Barriers etc)* | | Governance and Compliance | |
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| Stakeholder engagement | | | |
| The pharmacy team has continued to support regional potential partner introduction. | | | |
| Future Outlook (Upcoming priorities, initiatives, or areas of focus) | | | |
| Trainee placement allocation will be confirmed in Nov/Dec 2024 for trainees undertaking training in 2025/26. This will support progress towards confirmation of agreements and move towards securing independent placement learning environments in areas such as GP practices. | | | |
| Conclusion | | | |
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