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**WEST LEICESTERSHIRE CLINICAL COMMISSIONING GROUP
BOARD MEETING**

13 June 2017

Title of the report:	Report from Finance and Planning Committee
Section:	Managing Our Finances
Report by:	Ruth Brutnall, Head of Corporate Governance
Presented by:	Ray Harding, Independent Lay Member

Report supports the following West Leicestershire CCG's goal(s):			
Improve health outcomes		Improve the quality of health-care services	
Use our resources wisely	✓		

Equality Act 2010 – positive general duties:
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The CCG is committed to fulfil its obligations under the Equality Act 2010, and to ensure services commissioned by the CCG are non-discriminatory on the grounds of any protected characteristics. 2. The CCG will work with providers, service users and communities of interest to ensure any issues relating to equality of service within this report are identified and addressed.

Additional Paper details:	
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Please state reason why this paper is being presented to the WLCCG Board	To note the decisions of the Finance and Planning Committee
Discussed by	WLCCG Finance and Planning Committee
Alignment with other strategies	Operational Plan 2017/18 – 2018/19
Environmental Implications	N/A
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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

1. The Finance and Planning Committee met on 25 April and 23 May 2017 and this report informs the Board of key decisions taken.
2. The Finance and Planning Committee has been actively monitoring WLCCG financial position and in response established the Further Opportunities Group to generate QIPP schemes. The Committee received reports from the Group including one on the initiative 'Choosing Wisely' which is a global movement to challenge the idea that more is better or in the case of medical intervention. Following the 'Choosing Wisely' principle all medical royal colleges and faculties were asked to identify five commonly used tests, treatments or procedures which had questionable benefits to patients and should prompt discussion with patients rather than being carried out without question. A proposal will be developed for WLCCG.
3. The Committee has also considered elective referral thresholds and whether to defer treatment for patients who were smoking and/or obese. It was thought that deferring referrals would enable better demand management and give patients an incentive to improve their health and the outcomes for treatment. The Committee was very clear that any restrictions should be justified on clinical grounds first and foremost. The Committee considered the pros and cons of elective referral thresholds and concluded not to pursue the proposal.
4. The Finance and Planning Committee has reviewed the Planned Care/Demand Management Plan and noted that that WLCCG was referring approx. 10% more patients than planned.
5. At the May meeting the Committee agreed to an extension of two existing pilots. One was for a 'cancer wellness scheme' to support cancer patients to live well. This was extended for a limited period in order to secure succession funding. The other pilot was for 24 ECGs in Hinckley and Bosworth and it was recommended that the pilot be extended to allow the scheme to be reworked.
6. The priorities for the Committee are the monitoring of the financial position and QIPP delivery.

RECOMMENDATION:

The West Leicestershire Clinical Commissioning Group is requested to:

RECEIVE the report of the Finance and Planning Committee.