# **Better Care Fund**

# Section 75 pooled fund

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#### **Overview of BCF**

- Primary aim: drive closer integration, improve outcomes for patients, service users and carers
- Value of Notts pool £59 million in 2015/16
- Contributing partners:
  - Nottinghamshire County Council £5m
  - Bassetlaw £8m
  - Mid Notts £24m
  - South Notts £22m



## Why a section 75?

- National condition that BCF funds be pooled in accordance with section 75 of the NHS Act 2006
- Section 75 allows for pooling of budgets by local authorities and NHS bodies
- Signed <u>legal agreement</u> of how the fund will operate including contributions, payment mechanisms, management of over/underspends, governance arrangements, reporting, responsibilities of partners



# **Local Principles**

- Hosted by Nottinghamshire County Council
- Pooled fund with potential for integrated/lead commissioning later
- Risk share for over and under spends managed at organisation/planning unit level
- Quarterly Pay for Performance with locally sensitive target
  - £4.5 million of plan dependent on delivery of reduction in non-elective admissions

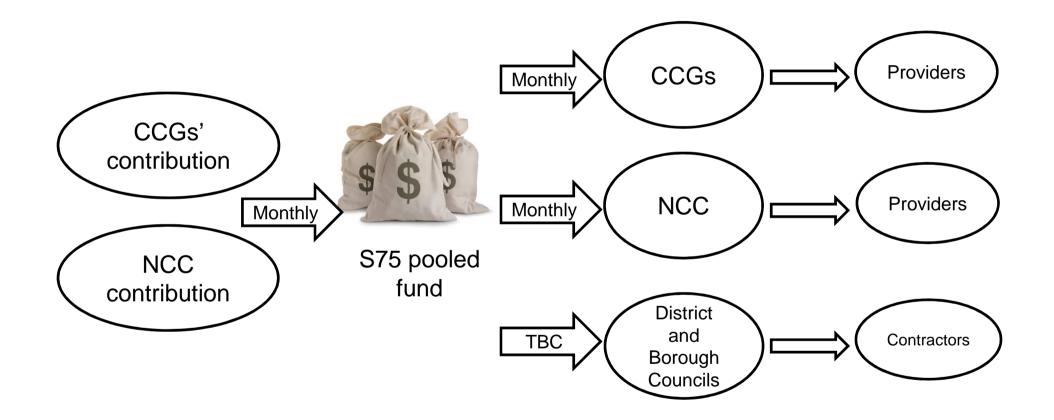


### **HWB responsibilities**

- Strategic oversight of BCF plan
  - Significant changes to schemes
- Governance of BCF
  - Transparency of delivery
  - Delegated authority to Programme Board for operational issues
  - Assurance that Programme Board is operating as it should
- Quarterly Reporting of pooled fund and performance metrics



#### The pooled fund in practice





## **Next steps**

- Assurance of plan delivery
- Further integration opportunities
- Focus on prevention
- New models of delivery and commissioning e.g. accountable care organisations, outcomes based commissioning

