

SHEFFIELD LOCAL MEDICAL COMMITTEE

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GP COMMISSIONING POLL

On Friday 11 March 2011 the LMC emailed all represented, levy paying Sheffield GPs, requesting completion of the LMC's GP Commissioning Poll.

We would like to thank all those who have already completed and returned their poll to the LMC office. For those who have yet to do so, we would like to stress the importance of ensuring that your views are heard. It would be appreciated if papers could be returned **by Friday 8 April 2011**.

If you are a Sheffield GP and you have not received a poll, or you require a replacement copy, please contact the LMC office, either via email to manager@sheffieldlmc.org.uk or Tel: (0114) 2588755, to ensure that a paper is sent to you without delay.

We feel it is fundamental to have a high level of grassroots engagement and support for the many difficult commissioning challenges and financial problems which Sheffield faces. We feel it is essential that GPs are given the opportunity to express their opinions. As such, we have made strong representations to existing consortia clinical leads and NHS Sheffield (NHSS) that grassroots GPs' opinions are of utmost importance and will be given due weight of consideration.

The poll requests name/GMC number, practice name and consortia. Any GPs preferring to remain anonymous can, of course, do so. However, we would still request practice name and consortia details are given, in order for the results to be presented in a way that reflects local opinion and sensitivities.

We appreciate that completing this sort of poll is time consuming, but would highlight the importance of this to Sheffield GPs.