

Digital Healthcare Council members meeting: 6th December 2022

Members in attendance:

- Harry Longman – AskmyGP
- Fungai Ndemera – CheckUp Health
- Alex Merckx – Cognitant
- Tom Oakley - Feedback Medical
- Carrie Goldsworthy – Feedback Medical
- Lucy Cassidy – HBS UK
- Mark Fountain – HBS UK
- Sam Rodgers – Medichcks
- Deepak Bangarpret – Objectivity
- Fredrik Roxhage - Visiba

DHC activity update:

- We recently held a meeting with ICS leads and we are keen to continue the conversation. **If members are interested in being put in touch with the ICS leads then do let us know.**
- Our stakeholder engagement program is ongoing with meeting scheduled with stakeholders from across NHSE, ICSs, CQC and more. Our ongoing agenda is to understand the policy developments that will impact members and make the case for digital transformation.
- Our new research about the benefits of partnerships between GP surgeries and digital healthcare providers was published by HSJ
- We have four new members of the DHC. Our objective here is to expand the DHC's expertise and influence into other areas of digital healthcare including diagnostics and secondary care.

HSCC update:

- Catherine is working with Anita Charlesworth on the procurement and contracting commitments that the government made for digital transformation – with the aim to simplify selling tech to the NHS to leverage NHS buyer power and make relationships with suppliers work better
- Overall, the HSCC expert panel's opinion is that little progress in this area has been made – it is still slow and difficult to do business with the NHS and the government needs to do more to support the system to use technology and digitise the NHS faster
- The committee and expert panel will issue a CQC style rating and are discussing the final rating for these commitments
- Jane Dacre, the chair of the committee will be presenting the final report at the end of January

Guest speakers – Alastair McLellan and Nicholas Carding, HSJ:

- At the meeting we were joined by Alastair McLellan and Nick Carding from HSJ who gave their expert viewpoint on the key policy developments in healthcare.
- A fascinating discussion, we covered the changes in NHSE and ICSs, ICS digital maturity and funding opportunities.
- If you were unable to join and would like to discuss what was said then do let us know.