

# COVID-19 for local authorities, arms length bodies and government - 19th May 2020

An update on NHS reconfiguration, service change and consultation post-lockdown, using s75 agreements (Hospital Discharge Service Requirements) and mental wellbeing of employees.

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In this Covid-19 on-demand webinar, a number of key members of the team alongside guest speaker Rose Grogan from 39 Essex provide an update on current issues arising in relation to the pandemic and its effect on local authorities, arms length bodies and government.

## **NHS Reconfiguration, Service Change and Consultation post-lockdown by Rose Grogan – 39 Essex**

As the NHS slowly shifts away from crisis mode to living with coronavirus, commissioners will need to re-examine their plans for change and integration. The government will be grappling with public pressure to maintain or increase funding to the NHS while also trying to mitigate the worst effects of a global recession. What will be the fate of plans for new models of care and service change? Will changes to service provision prompted by coronavirus stay for good? How will CCGs manage to fulfil their statutory duties of patient engagement when social distancing is still in force.

## **Using s75 agreements to underpin the Covid-19: Hospital Discharge Service Requirements by [Rachel Whitaker](#)**

The Covid-19 Hospital Discharge Service Requirements implemented by the Government anticipate local authorities and CCGs needing to revisit and amend existing section 75 partnership agreements to support the implementation of the Requirements. Rachel highlights the issues to look at when making the necessary changes and what to think about in terms of transitioning back to the normal funding arrangements once the arrangements come to an end.

## **The impact on the mental wellbeing of employees during the pandemic by [James Fawcett](#)**

There is potentially a growing risk to the mental wellbeing of employees during the pandemic, both in terms of key workers on the front line and staff who are required to work at home for an extended period. We consider those risks and the steps that can be taken to reduce them.



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