The National Health Service Commissioning Board ("the Board"), in exercise of powers conferred by the Health and Social Care Act 2012 (paragraph 8 of Schedule 6) and regulation 8 of the National Health Service (Clinical Commissioning Groups) Regulations 2012 gives the following Directions.

Citation, commencement and application
(1) These Directions are given to NHS Newham Clinical Commissioning Group ("NHS Newham CCG").

(2) These Directions may be cited as the NHS Newham CCG Directions 2013 and come into force on 15 February 2013.

Exercise of functions
(3) This direction applies until it is varied or revoked by the Board.

(4) The Board directs that:

(a) The Board will oversee and supervise the development of NHS Newham CCG's systems and processes, as set out below, so as to ensure that the CCG has an effective system of internal controls to maintain strategic oversight with available resources:

- Internal and external audit arrangements
- Financial reporting through financial spine
- Audit committee
• Standing orders/standing financial instructions
• Scheme/s of delegation
• Arrangements for management of any charitable funds
• Committee structure including management and audit
• Counter fraud arrangements
• Accounts payable and receivable, cash, fixed assets
• Payroll and banking facilities
• Appropriate risk-sharing arrangements with other CCGs in place and clearly understood by all parties.

(b) NHS Newham CCG must obtain Board sign-off of the existence and robustness of the systems and processes set out in in 4(a).

(c) NHS Newham CCG must provide all information, documents, records or other items and support requested by the Board, which to the Board appears necessary or expedient for the purpose of preparing for and the exercise of the function described in paragraph 4(a) and 4(b) above.

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