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 Medway Clinical Commissioning Group ("NHS Medway CCG").

(2) These Directions may be cited as the NHS Medway CCG Directions 2013 and come into force on 18 January 2013.

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

(4) The Board directs that:
   (a) In developing its financial plan, the governing body of NHS Medway CCG takes appropriate steps to build its understanding and ownership of the financial plan. This will be demonstrated by the CCG:
      i. Providing evidence to the Board of the steps it has taken.
      ii. Meeting with the Board to demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Board that its governing body has built its understanding and ownership of the financial plan.

   (b) The Board will oversee and supervise the development of NHS Medway CCG’s financial plan and the CCG must obtain Board sign-off of the financial plan.
(c) NHS Medway 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 complying with the direction described in paragraphs (4)(a) and (4)(b) above.

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