#### Template letter to ICBs regarding steps that can be taken to improve the primary/secondary care interface

Dear ICB Chair/CEO/Medical Director

**Improving the integration and communication of primary and secondary care**

We would like to draw your attention the attached guidance, initially launched by Cheshire and Merseyside Health and Care Partnership where it was supported by both primary and secondary care. These standards are now endorsed by the Royal College of General Practitioners (RCGP) who are encouraging all ICSs to support the standards, which can be adapted for local use.

We are therefore keen to meet with you to look at how we can use these standards within our own ICSs to improve the working relationships between our primary and secondary care colleagues. We would also be really interested to hear of any local work you have done to support this important agenda.

We will be sharing these standards with our primary and secondary care colleagues locally to ensure the best possible patient care can be achieved through meaningful collaboration.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,

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