

November 10th 2006

Dear Colleague

Commentary for the annual health check

We would like to express our thanks to all who provided commentary on their local NHS trusts for the 2005/2006 annual health check. Your comments have been very useful, and we appreciate the time and effort that went into to your contributions.

We have attached a short report feeding back on 'the story so far...' capturing what we have received from you, how we have used the information, and some suggestions as to what makes the most useful commentary.

We will be producing further guidance based on what we have learnt from the draft and final declarations stages. In the meantime we hope this feedback is useful to you.

Yours sincerely

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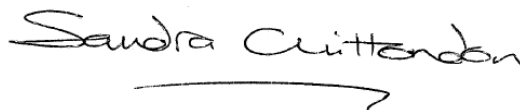
Ian Biggs
Head of south west region

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Jon Billings
Head of London and the south east region

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Jo Dent
Interim Head of north region

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Sandra Chittenden
Head of central region