

Dear <<bank member name>>,

As you will be aware new arrangements will be coming into effect on **1<sup>st</sup> April 2021** for the hospitals currently run by Pennine Acute Hospitals NHS Trust (PAT).

As part of the long-term strategy to support and complement local healthcare integration plans in the North East sector and across Greater Manchester, plans are underway to align hospital services currently managed by Pennine Acute Hospitals NHS Trust (PAT).

There are two transactions (legal processes) that will take place by **1<sup>st</sup> April 2021** to realign and split The Pennine Acute Hospitals NHS Trust. The proposed plan is for:

1. **Manchester University NHS Foundation Trust (MFT)** to formally acquire the North Manchester General Hospital (NMGH) services.
2. **Salford Royal NHS Foundation Trust** to formally acquire The Royal Oldham Hospital, Fairfield General Hospital and Rochdale Infirmary services. On this date, the name of the group will formally change to the Northern Care Alliance NHS Foundation Trust.

This realignment of services is an opportunity to strengthen how healthcare provision across these hospitals are delivered for patients, service users and staff across the region.

#### **What does this mean for you as a bank member?**

At this moment in time **there is nothing that you need to do**, and you can continue to enjoy accessing bank shifts at the Trust through NHSP.

A full Trust project team has been established to lead this work, which includes representatives from the Trusts and NHSP. We will be working in partnership with both Trusts to make sure that this transition is as seamless as possible and to ensure that there is minimal impact on you.

We will be in touch in the coming weeks to provide you with a further update on any changes and the alignment of services at the Trust. In the meantime, if you have any queries regarding the content of this letter, please get in touch with your local NHSP Team.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely  
Doctors Direct, NHS Professionals