

Better Care Fund Leads

East Midlands

7, November 2014

Plan Improvement Process

HWBs receive letter notifying them of assurance category outcome with NCAR outcome report appended – 29 October
 NCAR results announced – 30 October



NCAR outcome report to be developed into an agreed Action Plan – 14 November

<u>Assurance Category</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Who will manage process?</u>	<u>Complete by</u>
Approved	Approval to go ahead and take full responsibility for the BCF budget	NHS England	Complete by 30 th October
Approved with Support	Approval to go ahead and take full responsibility for the BCF budget, but will be required to submit further information or evidence to mitigate risk areas highlighted by the NCAR	NHS England	Aim to complete by end November
Approved Subject to Conditions	Approved to continue improving plan but will not receive full responsibility for BCF budget until they meet conditions set, and will be limited in proceeding implementation activities, including contractual and procurement negotiations – Action Plan required	BCF Taskforce and ICDA's	Aim to complete by end December
Not Approved	Plan not approved at this stage, and they will not have responsibility for the BCF budget, and will be limited in proceeding implementation activities, including contractual and procurement negotiations – Action Plan required	BCF Taskforce and ICDA's	Aim to complete by end January



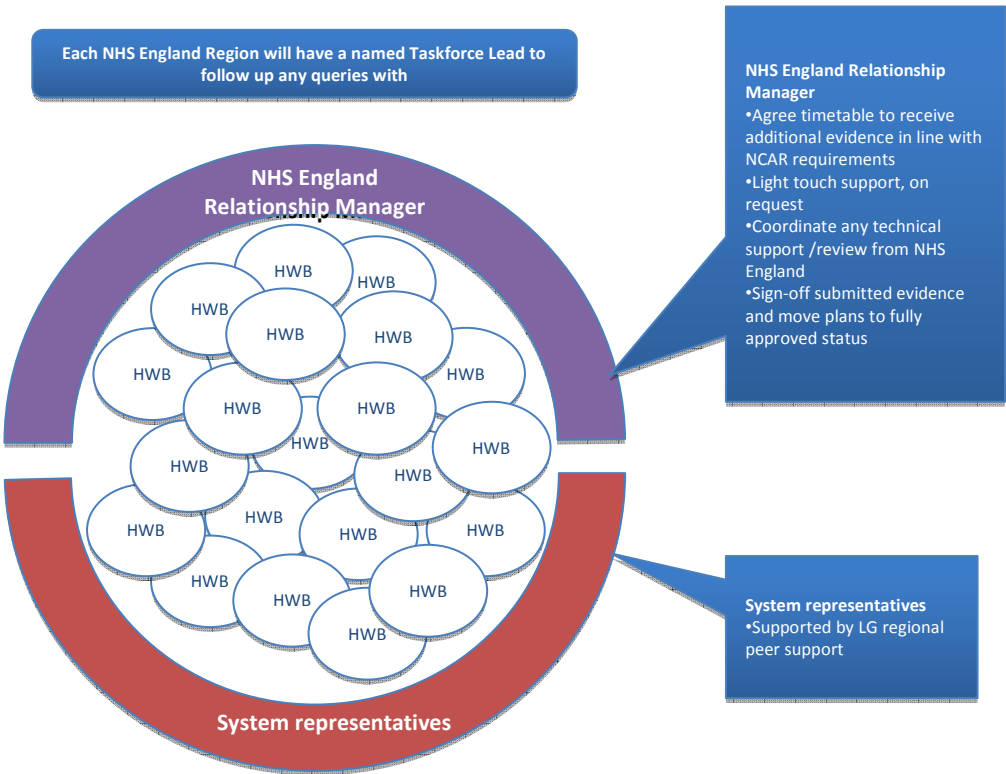
Next steps for HWBs 'Approved with Support'

Approved with Support AIM FOR COMPLETION BY END NOV 2014

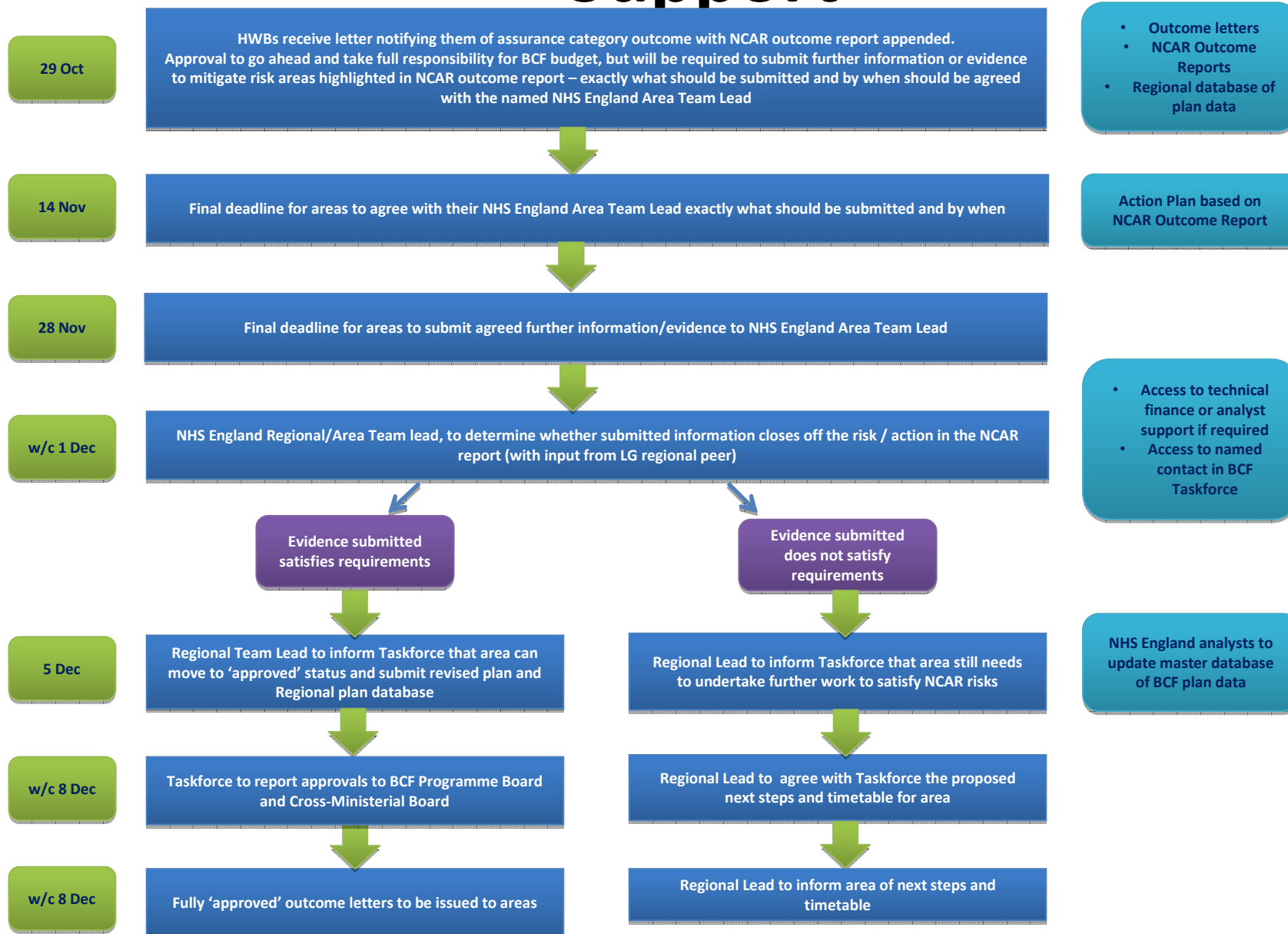
NCAR outcome: This local area has approval to go ahead and take full responsibility for the BCF budget, however, they will be required to submit further information or evidence to mitigate any risk areas highlighted by the NCAR

Next Steps
Areas in this category will be assigned a relationship manager from NHS England Regional/Area Teams to agree a plan to provide the further information required identified through the NCAR process – this will be a straightforward and light-touch process and we would aim for all HWBs in this category to be **fully approved before December.**

- Key Milestones:**
- 29 October** – receive letter notifying assurance category and named point of contact (NHS England Relationship Manager)
 - 14 November** – area to agree with Relationship Manager what evidence and information will be submitted to mitigate risk areas and when this will be submitted
 - Agree timetable for when areas to have submitted their further information/evidence for review and sign-off with Relationship Manager
 - Recommend to Taskforce that they seek Programme Board approval to move area(s) to fully approved category



Process Chart for 'Approved with Support'





Next steps for areas 'Approved subject to Conditions' or 'Not Approved'

Approved subject to Conditions AIM FOR COMPLETION BY END DEC 2014

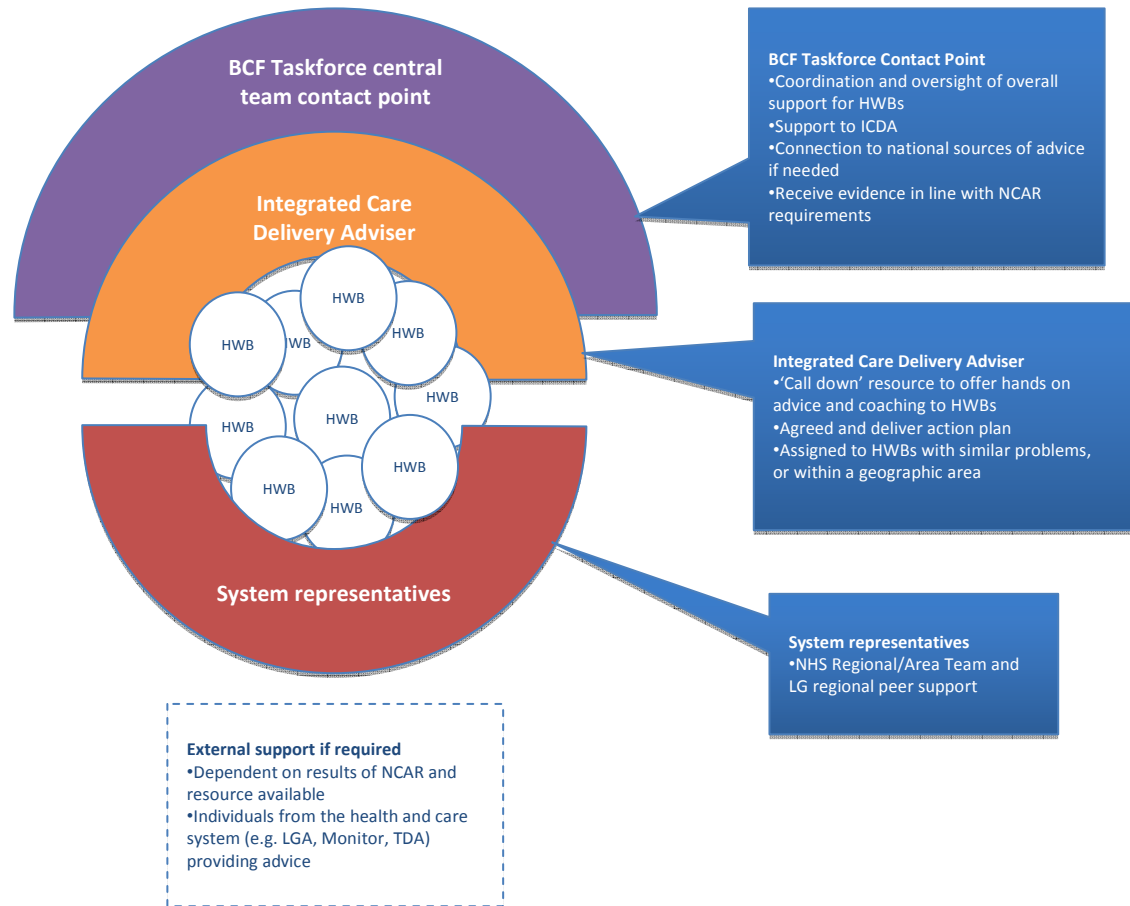
Taskforce

NCAR outcome: This local area will be approved to continue improving plan but will not receive full responsibility for BCF budget until they meet conditions set, and will be limited in proceeding implementation activities, including contractual and procurement negotiations

Next Steps
Areas in this category will be assigned an Integrated Care Delivery Adviser as their relationship manager who will work with the local team to agree an action plan to address areas of weakness identified through NCAR, access available support and agree the level of resubmission required to secure removal of conditions. The aim is to have these areas **fully approved before January.**

Key Milestones:

- 29 October** – receive letter notifying assurance category and named point of contact (Integrated Care Delivery Adviser)
- 14 November** – area to have Action Plan agreed with Integrated Care Delivery Adviser which addresses how and by when they will address the risk areas from the NCAR assessment, what support is required, and what level of resubmission and assessment is required to remove conditions
- Areas to re-submit parts or all of their plan for NCAR or NCAR compliant process (by timescale agreed with Integrated Care Delivery Adviser)
- Areas to receive result of NCAR/NCAR compliant assessment and move to fully approved



Not Approved

AIM FOR COMPLETION BY END JAN 2014

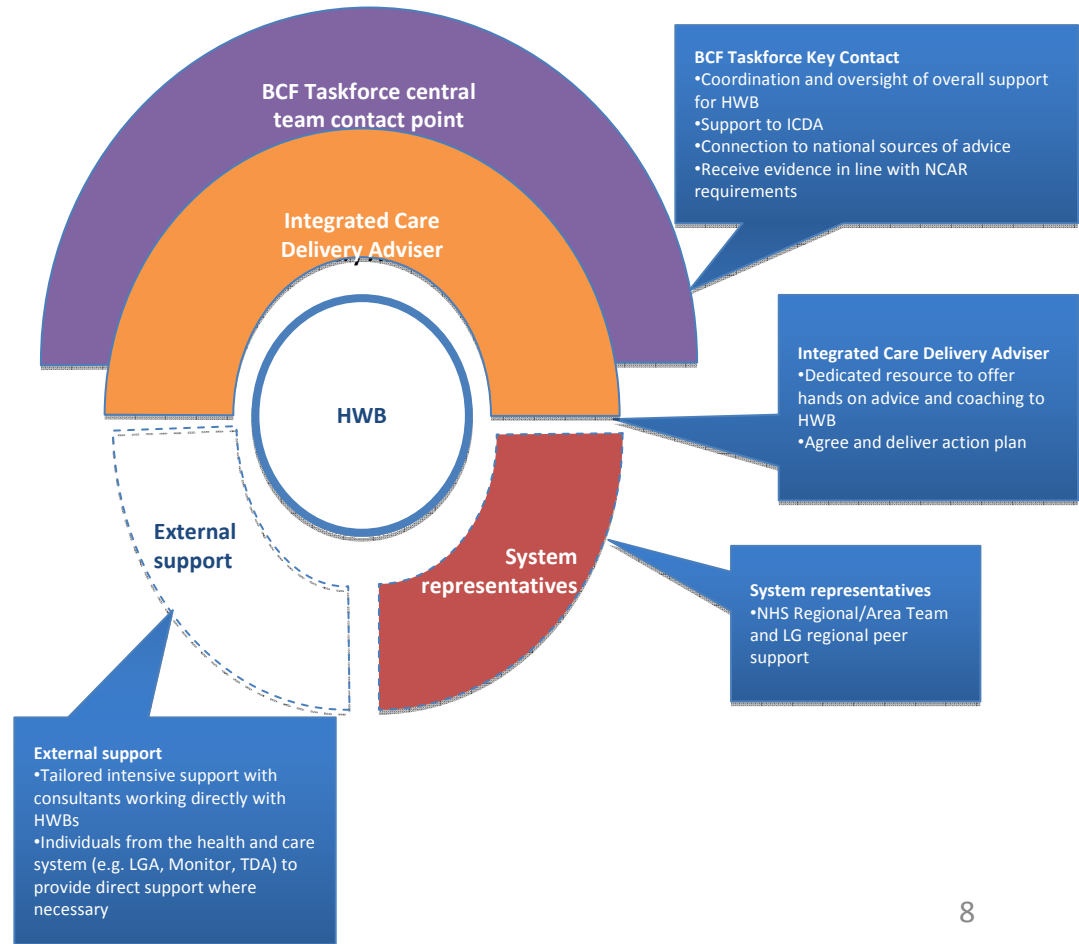
Taskforce

NCAR outcome: This local area will not be given approval of their plan, nor will they be given responsibility for the whole BCF budget, and will be limited in proceeding implementation activities, including contractual and procurement negotiations

Next Steps
 Areas in this category will be assigned an Integrated Care Delivery Advisor and will be required to work closely with them to agree an action plan that will ensure they submit a fully revised plan in January so they are approved in time to begin implementation. Areas in this category will receive intensive support to improve their plan. These areas will be required to resubmit a full plan for a further NCAR assessment process on 2 January.

Key Milestones:

- 29 October – receive letter notifying assurance category and named point of contact (Integrated Care Delivery Advisor)
- 14 November – area to have Action Plan agreed with Integrated Care Delivery Advisor which addresses how and by when they will address the risk areas from the NCAR assessment, what support will be in place to help them improve their plan, and by when they will submit a revised plan
- 2 January – latest deadline for areas to have re-submitted their revised plan for a full NCAR assessment process
- Areas to receive result of NCAR and move to an approved category



Resources already available from Phase

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All existing resources can be found on the NHS England BCF webpage:

<http://www.england.nhs.uk/ourwork/part-rel/transformation-fund/bcf-plan/>

The main resources are:

- 1.The 'How to' Guide: The BCF Technical Toolkit which covers [Population segmentation and stratification](#), [Evidence based plans](#), [Outcomes and impact measurement](#), [Financial analysis](#)
- 2.[Fast track plans and case studies](#)
- 3.[Making it Better – A guide to resources for improving Better Care Fund plans](#)
- 4.[Risk sharing guidance and sample S.75 template](#)
- 5.The [BCF Frequently Asked Questions](#) document
- 6.Archived recordings of [webinars](#)
- 7.The [Better Care Atlas](#)