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## **Leicestershire Partnership NHS Trust retains 0-19 services in Leicestershire and Rutland**

Leicestershire Partnership NHS Trust (LPT) is delighted to announce that, following a competitive tender process, it has secured the contract to continue delivering the Healthy Child Programme in Leicestershire and Rutland from April 2017.

LPT has delivered 0-19 services through its health visiting and school nursing teams in Leicestershire and Rutland since 2011. The new Healthy Together Service will build on the strong foundations of these current services and its well-established relationships in local neighbourhoods, to provide local families with the care they need, including targeted support and early intervention where appropriate. In delivering the new service, LPT will be working in partnership with the charities Barnados and Menphys.

LPT's chief executive, Dr Peter Miller said: "We are delighted to have retained the contract for the 0-19 service for Leicestershire and Rutland, and are very much looking forward to working closely with our commissioners to continue to deliver a high quality service that meets the needs of local families."

Helen Thompson, director of Families, Young People and Children's Services, said: "We are committed to building on the strong foundations of our successful neighbourhood model. Our new Healthy Together Service for Leicestershire and Rutland will provide dedicated teams who work with local families to shape responsive and accessible services."

Councillor Ernie White, the county council's cabinet member for health said: "Leicestershire Partnership NHS Trust has clearly demonstrated that it will be striving to provide the best possible standards of care and high quality public health services for children, young people and families in our region. I'm very pleased that we will be able to continue working together."

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**NOTES TO EDITORS**

- Leicestershire Partnership NHS Trust (LPT) provides community health, mental health and learning disabilities services for the one million people living in Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland. We have a budget in excess of £275 million and employ approximately 5,500 staff. For more information visit: [www.leicspart.nhs.uk](http://www.leicspart.nhs.uk). Our registered charity is called Raising Health (charity number 1057361). The charity fundraises to support excellent care initiatives, equipment and innovations which go above and beyond core NHS provision to enhance the experience of our patients, service users and staff. See [www.raisinghealth.org.uk](http://www.raisinghealth.org.uk)
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