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**TO ALL GPs ON NHS ENGLAND (MERSEYSIDE)  
AREA TEAM'S PERFORMERS LIST  
WORKING WITHIN LIVERPOOL CCG's MEMBER PRACTICES**

Dear General Practitioner

**Liverpool Local Medical Committee Election**

I have pleasure in enclosing herewith, *for your personal attention*, the appropriate papers in connection with the election of members to the Liverpool Local Medical Committee for the period of 1 April 2014 - 31 March 2018.

The role of the Local Medical Committee as a representative body has always been an important one, but this has become increasingly more important following the NHS reorganisation into NHS England, Public Health England and Clinical Commissioning Groups.

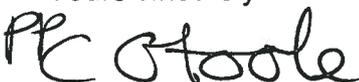
The LMC has had a vital role in looking after the interests of all doctors since the formation of NHS England, and is specifically mentioned in its various guidance and assurance documents as needing to be consulted when considering various aspects of performance management, or matters pertaining to General Practice. The LMC is also specifically recognised by Liverpool CCG as being representative of GPs working within its member practices. Changes to the GP contract, and more specifically changes with PMS contracts will need to be closely monitored, together with anticipated changes brought about by the change from Local Enhanced Services to the Liverpool Quality Improvement Schemes, and the changes within, and to, Public Health. These will affect all GPs including salaried and freelance doctors. The LMC is the **only** representative body looking after all GPs' interests.

As you are aware, by Statute, the LMC has to be consulted on many issues affecting General Practitioners. The LMC has a crucial role in monitoring NHS England (Merseyside) and Liverpool CCG. It is therefore important that the LMC has Members from all areas across Liverpool.

As the LMC also is the representative body for all GPs, irrespective of contractual status, salaried and sessional GPs (non-principals including locums) are also strongly encouraged to stand for election.

Nomination forms could be returned to me, by 12.00 noon, on Friday, 14 February 2014.

Yours sincerely



Ms C O'Toole  
**Returning Officer**