

Getting Started – A Checklist for the Formative Stage

<i>Gather potential partners together</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> The potential members have spent time as individual practices and partners considering the future and their options<input type="checkbox"/> There is agreement about what the pros and cons of working within a Network are – there are clear agreed advantages<input type="checkbox"/> The practice working relationships and decision making processes support such a move<input type="checkbox"/> Cross practice working relationships and cultures are conducive to working more closely in a Network<input type="checkbox"/> The Practices wishing to join the Network have been identified – there is sufficient scale<input type="checkbox"/> Regular meetings and other communication opportunities between aspirant member practices are taking place
<i>Agree on organising principles for your network</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> The case for change and the need to collaborate are understood – there is voluntary buy-in<input type="checkbox"/> There is a strong case (compelling narrative) made for Networks across the local health economy e.g., at pan locality, CCG and regional level – the agenda is clearly led across a broad front that is connected to local Network development<input type="checkbox"/> There is local leadership from amongst the GP population that is perceived as credible, trustworthy and deeply rooted in the local context<input type="checkbox"/> There is a rudimentary or prototype governance system in place e.g., medical director
<i>Create a timeline to develop your network</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> There is a clearly articulated timeline of events and meetings that each have a clear owner<input type="checkbox"/> The governance structure for the co-design phase for forming the network is clear and agreed on by all the partners involved<input type="checkbox"/> Partners have cleared enough time and capacity for themselves to be able to fully engage in the design and organisational development of the network