Dear Colleague,

Please find enclosed a localised briefing on proposed changes to stroke, major trauma and vascular surgery in the South Central NHS region.

The proposals are to concentrate these acute services in places where there are specialists and support services available around the clock. Full details are set out in a document entitled *Developing Safe and Sustainable acute services in South Central - stroke, major trauma and vascular surgery*. It explains each of the three services and the proposed changes and is available on the website [www.berkshirewest.nhs.uk](http://www.berkshirewest.nhs.uk)

NHS Berkshire would like feedback from OSCs by **30 September 2011** on the following questions:

- Do the proposals benefit your local population with no negative aspects?
- If so, are you happy for the NHS to proceed with these changes without further consultation?

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Yours sincerely

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