PPP in the UK Health Sector

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Community Health Partnerships

- 2001: Partnerships for Health (PfH) was established as a joint venture company between Partnerships UK (PUK) and the Department of Health (DH).
- Objectives: a national structure to develop, deliver and generate investment in Local Improvement Finance Trusts (LIFT), a national procurement programme for improving primary care facilities.
- Nov. 2007: Partnerships for Health (PfH) became Community Health Partnerships (CHP). Additional role in developing other models of public-private partnership.



CHP services

- CHP offers a number of services designed to provide innovative thinking, practical delivery and to foster continuous improvement.
- A centrally lead but locally delivered team of expert resources.
- Community Health Partnerships:
 - Supports capital infrastructure projects, from the very beginning of partnerships to completion and their long-term delivery of service,
 - Collates and disseminates learning about these programmes through a national network of public and private sector partners,
 - Works with policy makers and government on existing public-private partnerships in the health and local authority sectors and suggests new initiatives.





Context - the UK NHS

- NHS stands for 'National Health Service' and provides health services to all citizens in the United Kingdom (England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland)
- NHS is state-funded, and provides essential health services (emergency and elective) to all those who need it, free at the point of use
- Some charges are made, for example for prescriptions
- In England, NHS services are commissioned for a locality by 152 local Primary Care Trusts (PCTs)
- Includes hospital (secondary care) and community (primary care) services
- Commissioning plans dictate where and by whom NHS services are delivered in a locality

PFI in UK Health Sector

- UK Government Target 100 new or refurbished hospital facilities by 2010
- PFI 70 already built and admitting patients (GBP 4.5 bn, HKD 68 bn)
- PFI 28 currently under construction (GBP 6.3 bn, HKD 95 bn)
- Public capital 23 operational (GBP 0.8 bn, HKD 12 bn)
- Public Capital 7 under construction (GBP 0.3 bn, 4.5 bn)
- First contract was signed in July 1997 so UK has 10 years experience of PFI



Context - facts

- 86% patient contacts are in the community
- Number of people with long term conditions doubles each decade
- 80% inpatient beds taken by people with long term conditions
- Poorest health outcomes have fewer GPs



Vision for Primary Care

- Strong, vibrant, responsive primary care offering patients quality, choice and diversity,
- Increased focus on LTCM and health inequalities
- Health not illness promotion of healthy lifestyles
 good health is not solely the remit of the health service
- Delivering an extended range of services close to patients' homes
- Delivered by multi-disciplinary teams and professionally satisfied staff
- Pluralistic, operating across organisational boundaries



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LIFT - the challenge

To provide:

- Integrated community based care facilities and services determined by local requirements
- Allowing the integration between primary / secondary / local authority services/private sector
- To improve health outcomes and promote good health
- And improve the recruitment and retention of clinicians and staff in deprived area



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LIFT - The Process

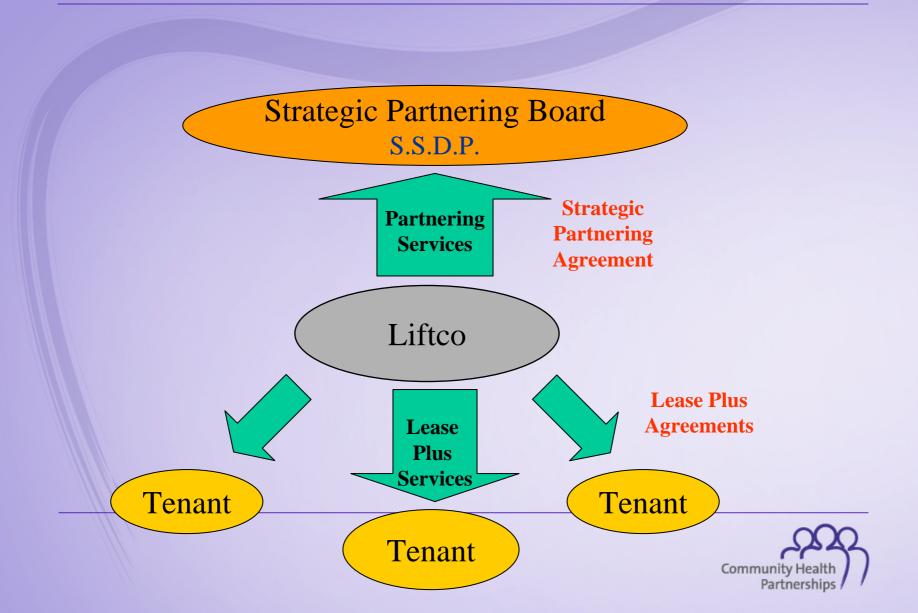
- To establish strategic partnerships at a local level
- Competitive procurement to establish a PPP company a LIFTCo becomes the strategic partner to the public sector in a locality to plan, design, build and maintain health and social care facilities over 20 – 25 years.
- Private sector partners selected through LIFTCo have long term partnering agreement to deliver a rolling programme of investment and services in local healthcare facilities.
- LIFTCo establishes long term sustainable relationship focused on delivering continuous improvement through early engagement, ownership and repeat business.
- LIFTCo creates significant new market.



LIFT Companies

- A LIFTCo is a Limited Company
- Shareholders
 - public sector (PCT/LA + CHP) 40%
 - private sector 60%
- Public Sector Board membership influences strategic and operational policy & management.
- Public sector shares in commercial success and risks.
- LIFTCo
 - Are commercially managed and driven,
 - Design, build & maintain primary & social care premises;
 - Lease them to the health service
 - Rent fixed and rises by inflation
 - Systematically deliver individually smaller scale investments.
- Commercial developments subsidise public sector rents.

The Structure of LIFT



LIFT - similarities to PFI

- No payments until the new buildings are ready
- Construction risk is with LIFTco
- Risk of cost increases is with LIFTco
- No payments if premises not available for use
- Payment deductions for poor service





LIFT Programme

- Aggressive standard procurement timetable
- First LIFTCo established 2003
- 42 LIFTCos established 3 years
- 46 LIFTCos now established
- Covers half the population of England
- On average one building opening every week
- Staggered procurement process lessons from first closes assist subsequent LIFTs



Some achievements of LIFT







What has LIFT Delivered so far

- It has delivered £1.5 billion (HK\$22.5 billion) of new capital investment
- It has financed more than 220 integrated health and social care facilities that are either open or under construction
 - 162 buildings operational
 - 58 in construction
- More than £1.2 billion (HK\$18 billion) pipe line of similar developments.



What has LIFT Delivered so far

- Through the LIFT community of 46 LIFT Companies, CHP has set up a knowledge sharing network
- Learning from this established programme is contributing to innovation and best practice throughout the NHS
- It has provided a wide range of services from GP surgeries, one stop centres, community resource centres, health and leisure centres to community hospitals
- It has established local successful partnerships:





Summary

- LIFT is an innovative PPP designed to meet a need of multiple projects over a period of time
- It is specifically focussed on involving the private sector in the early stages of project identification and development
- It has proved very successful in delivering a large number of excellent projects in a short period
- It allows for integration of a variety of services providers in one facility.



Conclusion

- LIFT has successfully met UK Government's care objectives
 - Delivering state of the art infrastructure for new community care services
 - Integrating strategy and services for various commissioners
 - Establishing organisations, processes and structures to continue to meet long-term changing health and social services needs
- Partnership based upon the pillars of:
 - joint ownership and management of service provision
 - common objectives and associated risks & rewards
 - amalgamation of specialist expertise of both sectors.





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