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Dear Colleague

CONSULTATION ON PROPOSED GP PRACTICE MERGER – INVITATION TO COMMENT

Two GP practices in the Preston area of Paignton have approached the Care Trust requesting they should be allowed to merge and form a single GP practice. The practices are Upper Manor Road Surgery and Pembroke House Surgery.

The enclosed consultation document outlines the proposed actions and anticipated benefits, as well as providing some background to the two practices involved.

The consultation process commences today and concludes at midday on Friday 3rd July 2009.

The Care Trust will collate and consider all comments received from this consultation and a summary of the comments made will be reported to the Care Trust Board at its next meeting on 15th July.

We are very keen to hear the views of partner organisations and representatives. To help facilitate this, a response form is provided at the end of the consultation document.

Yours sincerely

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Letter and consultation document sent to:

- Devon Local Medical Committees
- Devon Local Pharmaceutical Committee
- Torbay Care Trust – provider arm
- Torbay Overview and Scrutiny Committee
- Preston Councillors
- Torbay LINK
- Upper Manor Road and Pembroke House Surgeries – for display in waiting rooms and publication on practice websites