ICL Pathway

Memorandum

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TO: Pathway Staff

FROM: John Bennett

SUBJECT: 1997 Programme Plans

At the PDA Board meeting in December, it was proposed that a joint review should be undertaken between ICL Pathway and the PDA to assess all the remaining risks which must be handled prior to a successful implementation starting with the Live Trial and leading in to National Roll-out.

We have agreed to this, and work has started between our programme offices and will continue over the next few weeks. The review will also take into account progress within DSS on CAPS and within POCL on Reference Data, TIP and HAPS.

It is very likely that you will hear views expressed that the programme will be delayed be anything between one to as much as six months. At this stage, I must ask you to treat any such views as speculative. If additional time is considered appropriate, it will be handled through our formal change control process.

In the meantime, we must forge ahead on our current baseline in terms of functionality and schedule. Terry Austin and Barrie Vaughan must be kept informed of any difficulties this presents with external dependencies, including suppliers to ICL Pathway.

John Bennett