

NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCIL

HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD

**SECTION 75 PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENTS TO UNDERPIN INTEGRATED
COMMISSIONING BETWEEN THE CLINICAL COMMISSIONING GROUP AND THE
LOCAL AUTHORITY IN NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE**

1. OBJECT AND KEY POINTS IN THIS REPORT

- 1.1 To inform the Health and Wellbeing Board on the progress of the Section 75 Partnership Agreements that will underpin integrated commissioning between the Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) and the Local Authority (LA) in North Lincolnshire.
- 1.2 The Integrated Commissioning Partnership has agreed a two stage process:
 - 1.2.1 Completion of section 75 agreements for 2013/14 in relation to Mental Health and Learning Disabilities , which will be completed by early December 2013.
 - 1.2.2 Further development of the agreements to consider expansion from 2014/15 is underway to be in place for April 2014.

2. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 2.1 The Health and Social Care Act 2012 (“HSC Act”) requires each Local Authority area to establish a Health and Wellbeing Board (HWB). The HWB has four core functions. One of these core functions is to encourage closer integration between the commissioners of health and social care. Section 195 of the HSC Act specifically identifies the role of the HWB to support the use of Section 75 partnership agreements to support effective integration.
- 2.2 The HWB, at the meeting in June 2013 approved a statement of intent that confirmed the continued commitment to working in partnership between Health and the LA whilst the S75 Partnership agreements were being finalised. It was agreed the S75 Partnership agreements would be underpinned by a set of agreed principles:
 - Services to be person centered
 - Services to promote self care and independent living where possible
 - Services to be outcome focused
 - Service users to receive services in the community

- 2.3 The Transforming Complex Care stocktake and action plan in response to the national Transforming Care (Winterbourne) recommendations include a requirement to have a pooled budget in place.
- 2.4 The financial leads for the LA and CCG met on 7th October 2013 and agreed that at this time complex care did not require a separate pooled budget arrangement as most of the expenditure would be contained within the mental health and learning disability pools.
- 2.5 The development of the 2014/2015 S.75 Partnership Agreements will continue to consider and review the proposed arrangements for complex care.

3. **OPTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION**

- 3.1 Two Section 75 Partnership Agreements have been finalised in North Lincolnshire, one in respect of services to Adults with Learning Disabilities and one in respect of services to Adults with Mental Health needs.
- 3.2 Each of the Section 75 Partnership Agreements is concerned with the commissioning responsibilities of each organisation and the associated partnership arrangements. The separate S75 agreements will be influenced by national and local drivers and requirements such as:
 - Changes in local demography or assessed need identified in the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA)
 - Changes in priorities in the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy
 - Changes in national policy
 - Changes in national funding /resources
 - The impact of transformed services enabling savings to be identified to be reinvested.
- 3.3 The CCG are the host organisation for the Mental Health Service and the LA are the host for the Learning Disability S75 agreements. Both organisations have committed to provide a named officer to support the hosting arrangements.
- 3.4 The S75 agreements for Adults with Learning Disabilities and for Adults with Mental Health needs propose the creation of a joint budget between the CCG and LA. The schedules that sit behind the agreements set out the:
 - Service areas covered
 - Funding contributions from each partner
 - Proposals for the administration of the joint resource
 - Expectations of the outcomes to be achieved through the integrated commissioning arrangements
 - Performance management and reporting arrangements
- 3.5 The governance and monitoring of the S75 Agreements will ultimately be overseen by the Integrated Commissioning Partnership (ICP) with exception reporting back to the HWB.

4 ANALYSIS OF OPTIONS

- 4.1 Following the finalisation of the mental health and learning disabilities S75 agreements the HWB is asked to note the progress of the two pools for this financial year.
- 4.2 Work has commenced to explore the potential pools and associated development of S75 agreements for 2014/15.

5 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS (FINANCIAL, STAFFING, PROPERTY, IT)

- 5.1 Schedule 3 of the S75 Agreements sets out the financial contributions from each partner to the each of the service areas. The total resource for the

Mental Health S75 pool is £13,982,000

Learning Disability S75 pool is £6,382,000
- 5.2 Statutory - The HWB is required to produce a Joint Strategic Needs Assessment. The JSNA is used to inform the development of the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy (JHWS). The LA and the CCG are required to take account of the priorities in the JHWS. Section 195 of the HSC Act specifically identifies the role of the HWB to support the use of Section 75 partnership agreements to support effective integration. The development of S75 agreements to address areas of joint need and joint priority through agreed joint outcomes offers the opportunity for reductions in service duplication, economies of scale, and maximises the opportunity for the effective deployment of the workforce.

6. OUTCOMES OF INTEGRATED WORKING ARRANGEMENTS

- 6.1 The expectations of the impact on the health and wellbeing outcomes for people with learning disabilities and mental health needs are;
 - More people will remain in their local communities
 - Fewer people will need to use specialist services in other areas.
 - Service users will experience high quality provision
 - Service users will be directly involved in their assessment and planned interventions
 - Service users will be actively involved in setting outcomes for their needs to be met
 - Commissioners will maximise the resources available for the commissioning of services.
- 6.2 An Integrated Impact Assessment will be undertaken for all commissioning activities funded from the pooled or aligned resources

7. OUTCOMES OF CONSULTATION AND CONFLICTS OF INTERESTS DECLARED

7.1 In the development of the S75 agreements consultation has taken place with NLC, NHS Commissioners and HWB (via previous reports and meetings), Healthwatch, through its participation in the ICP and partnership boards through the same forums.

7.2 The development of the S75 Agreements for 2014/15 will include consultation with all relevant stakeholders.

8 RECOMMENDATIONS

8.1 The finalised S75 Partnership Agreements are noted.

8.2 The development of the 2014/15 S75 Partnership Agreements to be reported at a future HWB.

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