

<b>Meeting:</b>	<b>Health and wellbeing board</b>
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<b>Title of report:</b>	<b>Mental health update</b>
<b>Report by:</b>	<b>Deputy director of operations (NHS Herefordshire Clinical Commissioning Group)</b>

## **Classification**

Open

## **Key Decision**

This is not an executive decision

## **Wards affected**

Countywide

## **Purpose**

This purpose of this presentation is to update the board on its key priority of the health and wellbeing strategy - mental health, by outlining the 16/17 priorities and work programme in this area.

## **Recommendation(s)**

**THAT:**

- a) **progress across the Herefordshire economy to address and improve the mental health of our population is reviewed: and**
- b) **the board determine whether it wishes to make any recommendations to commissioning bodies to further improve performance in this area.**

## **Alternative options**

- 1 The presentation is an overview of this area; alternatively the health and wellbeing board could receive a report on each area, i.e. children and young people mental health; provision for people with severe and enduring mental health; crisis care concordat; and prevention and early intervention.

## Reasons for recommendations

- 1 The health and wellbeing board is responsible for:
  - reviewing whether the commissioning plans and arrangements for the NHS, public health and social care (including better care fund submissions) are in line with and have given due regard to the health and wellbeing strategy
  - reporting formally to the council's executive, the Herefordshire Clinical Commissioning Group and the NHS Commissioning Board if commissioning plans affecting Herefordshire have not had adequate regard to the health & wellbeing strategy.
- 2 The health and wellbeing strategy identified mental health as a key priority. This presentation is a high level overview of the number of work streams created to improve provision for people with poor mental health, their families and communities.
- 3 From the presentation, there are a number of activities that form part of the key priority. Since March 2015, there has been an increase in integration between providers and between health and social care commissioners to achieve improvements in mental health and emotional wellbeing.
- 4 The health and wellbeing board (HWB) also has a statutory role in ensuring that health and care commissioning plans for Herefordshire reflect local challenges, priorities and needs as described in the joint strategic needs assessment (JSNA) and joint health and wellbeing strategy. This includes commissioning plans for mental health.

## Key considerations

1. This is a large area of work therefore appropriate groups of agencies have been set up to lead on the delivery of improvements, including designing, reviewing or evaluating the impact. Although only into the second year of delivery, there have been achievements for people with mental health conditions, their families and communities. For example, there has been a growth in the number of dementia friends in our communities and an increasing number of agencies involved in the dementia action alliance.
2. The ambition remains significant. The commissioning intentions outline the areas for further work in line with the national mental health five year forward view report: <https://www.england.nhs.uk/wp-content/uploads/2016/02/Mental-Health-Taskforce-FYFV-final.pdf>
3. The work is also sighted on key national priorities and strategies:
  - Department of Health - Mental Health Crisis Care Concordat – Improving outcomes for people experiencing mental health crisis (February 2014) <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/mental-health-crisis-care-agreement>
  - HM Government - Closing the gap: priorities for essential change in mental health. (January 2014) [https://www.gov.uk/.../Closing\\_the\\_gap\\_V2\\_-\\_17\\_Feb\\_2014.pdf](https://www.gov.uk/.../Closing_the_gap_V2_-_17_Feb_2014.pdf)
  - Department of Health - Valuing mental health equally with physical health or "Parity of Esteem" (November 2013)

<http://www.england.nhs.uk/ourwork/qual-clin-lead/pe/>

- Department of Health - No health without mental health; a cross government mental health outcomes strategy for people of all ages (February 2011)

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/the-mental-health-strategy-for-england>

## **Community impact**

- 5 This priority area is not solely targeted at people with known mental health conditions, it is as much as improving the health of the overall population to prevent poor mental health from developing.
- 6 Individual schemes such as the dementia meeting centre in Leominster is serving a specific community; the mental health promotion pilot project in Ross on Wye or the young people wellbeing ambassadors working with young people.

## **Equality duty**

- 7 All work programmes such as dementia care, child and adolescent mental health service (CAMHS) transformation plan and the crisis care concordat have equality impact assessments.
- 8 People with mental health issues are amongst the most vulnerable populations in our community. For example, the crisis care concordat is about improving response; access and services for this population and the CAMHS transformation plan has identified a number of vulnerable groups that it is targeting.

## **Financial implications**

- 9 This work is largely resourced through NHS Herefordshire Clinical Commissioning Group and Herefordshire Council although it should be noted that many other agencies, including the voluntary and community sector are contributing to the activities.

## **Legal implications**

- 10 There are no known legal implications arising from this key priority area in the health and wellbeing strategy. There will be legal implications for some of the key activities, such as adherence to the Mental Health Act code of practice.

## **Risk management**

- 11 With a number of key areas underway, fatigue by agencies contributing to this area is a concern. To mitigate against this progress against agreed plans may be subject to review by the council's health and social care overview and scrutiny committee.

## **Consultees**

- 12 Each of the work areas has a number of stakeholders, including service-users, their carers and other agencies. For example, the Children and Young People Mental Health and Emotional Wellbeing Partnership has a group of young people leading the engagement with other young people.

## **Appendices**

Appendix 1– presentation entitled Health and Wellbeing Strategy – Mental Health Update

## **Background papers**

None identified.