

JOINT COMMISSIONING PLAN FOR HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE SERVICES 2008 – 2012 FOR ADULTS WITH PHYSICAL DISABILITIES AGED 18 – 64 YRS

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Wards Affected

County-wide

Purpose

1. To consider the current status of the Joint Commissioning Plan for health and social care services 2008 – 2012 for adults with physical disabilities ages 18 – 64 yrs and future reviewing process.

Financial Implications

2. To be determined.

Background

3. The Joint Commissioning Plan (attached) covers the physical disabilities services in health and social care for adults. The Adult Commissioning Board considered the last draft at its meeting in March 2008 and further minor work was requested. A paper is going to the Adult Commissioning Board on the 22nd September 2008 to seek agreement to support officers moving straight to implementation through the Partnership Board in order to speed up the process.
4. Since the Plan was signed off in principle at the Adult Commissioning Board a Physical Disability Partnership Board has been established that met for the first time on the 15th July 2008 and has begun to make progress towards establishing a number of workstreams in order to deliver the vision in the Plan.
5. The Adult Commissioning Board has responsibility for monitoring all joint services for adults and older people and has received regular performance, highlight, exception and finance reports to monitor both adult and older people's services.
6. Later in 2007, the Council and PCT collaborated on updating the needs analysis for adult physical disability services and progressing this is closely linked to the current review of services provided by the Primary Care Trust, particularly around the long term conditions agenda.
7. The Commissioning Plan will be reviewed to take account of national and local policy changes and the intelligence gathered from the needs analysis. National and regional policy is to involve "stakeholders" closely in planning in commissioning and the Herefordshire process is designed to ensure this. The Physical Disability Partnership

Boards has been set up to provide a wide forum for the review of commissioning intentions, priorities and targets.

8. Summary of commissioning priorities arising from the Partnership Board's initial discussions:

- Co-ordination of information and advice
- Day opportunities eg employment, leisure etc – importance of influencing those who directly provide this
- Gaps in services to support people to develop independence not just in a crisis e.g. additional therapy and carer support
- Impact of personalisation and future of Direct Payments
- How the Partnership Board can influence commissioning budgets
- Role of carers on Board

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Committee notes the status of the Joint Commissioning Plan and the processes for its review.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

- Joint Commissioning Plan for Health and Social Care Services 2008 – 2012 for Adults with Physical Disabilities Aged 18 – 64 yrs.