

Joint Health and Care Commissioning Group**Report by: Yvonne Clowsley, Head of IMPACT****Purpose**

This paper highlights the issues dealt with by the health and Care Commissioning group and gives details of where members of the Partnership can seek additional information on the items discussed and agreed.

The Joint Health and Care Commissioning group held on the 22 June 2006 addressed the following:

1. Information items**a) New PCT Governance arrangements**

The Corporate Board of the PCT will continue to function with 3 meetings per year. Responsibilities will be split into commissioning and provider elements.

b) Verbal update on a joint commissioning plan for children and young people

A framework for the joint commissioning of children's services is currently being drafted.

2. Decisions taken by the group**a) The Alliance : acquA accreditation**

The group agreed arrangements in relation to the accreditation of voluntary sector providers by commissioners. It was agreed to:

- (i) send a joint letter to organisations successful in achieving accreditation.
- (ii) send a letter to organisations who are continuing to display resistance to the process.

It was further agreed that letters should go out during Summer 2006.

b) COMPACT code implementation group

The Implementation Group had given a presentation and Terms of Reference to Helen Horton. Accountability was agreed to be via the JHCCG. The Associate Director of Finance for the PCT, Andrew Nash, is chairing the group. The final Action Plan now complete. Appointment of a COMPACT Officer will take place w.c. 26th June 2006.

c) Format and timescales for update to Older People's Commissioning Plan

Discussion took place about the proposed format for the next stage of the work on the older people's commissioning plan. The proposed format was then agreed, subject to ratification by those group members unable to be present at the meeting.

3. Items mandated / signed off by the group**a) Partnership Fund**

The Partnership Fund for 2006/7 was signed off. There remains a shortfall in the funding needed to continue implementation of the Single Assessment Process.

b) Project Brief Carers Commissioning Plan

A proposal was put to the group for the continuation of the work on the carers agenda following the resignation of the IMPACT Officer – Carers. This proposal involved seconding someone from the voluntary sector to progress the production of a commissioning plan and adult social care picking up responsibility for the administration of the carers grant. These arrangements were agreed.

c) IMPACT team work plan

The Group was provided with a work plan for the joint team, addressing the priorities for 2006/7. This was signed off.