

KEY ITEMS FROM PROGRAMME BOARDS 10TH MAY 2006**Report by: Jean Howard, Programme Manager - IMPACT****Purpose**

To highlight key items from the Older Peoples, Mental Health and Learning Disability Programme Boards held on 10th May 2006

Older People**Intermediate Care**

The Programme Board noted completion of the Intermediate Care Strategy and the recommendations of the multi-agency Intermediate Care project group. It was agreed the responsible officer would now do an implementation plan which should be mindful of the need to make efficiency savings where possible. The implementation plan will now be completed and signed off by the September meeting of the Joint Commissioning Group. Needs identified in the strategy will inform the Older Peoples Commissioning Plan due to be completed in September.

Falls and bone health

The need to address the local DEXA Scanning deficit was highlighted. It was agreed Simon Hairsnape would be asked to take this to the Practice Based Commissioning Committee and request they developed a proposal for consideration by the Programme Board. Following discussion between Simon and Peter Sowerby, Peter is now discussing potential ways forward with Paul Ryan, Head of Commissioning in the PCT.

Single Assessment

The need for senior operational managers in Social Care, PCT and HHT to ensure proper implementation of SAP was highlighted. Members of the Board will ensure a lead individual is identified in their respective organisation and reported back to the Board in September.

ICES (Equipment)

The board agreed the need to consider the new government direction on the delivery of these services, which it was felt would describe an increased role for the Third Sector. This report is now out and the implications are being considered. A report will be taken to the September meeting of the Board.

Section 31

The response to the Audit Commission report on the local agreements has been agreed and the IMPACT team will now, work with senior finance offices in the PCT and Social Care to undertake the necessary work and revise the agreements.

General

It was noted that the need analysis work, which is on the agenda for today's meeting would inform the Older Peoples, Older Peoples Mental Health and the Learning Disability Commissioning Plans.

Learning Disability**Local services**

It was noted the Council Scrutiny Committee had completed an exercise looking at local services and identified emerging themes. The main recommendations were accepted by the Programme Board and a further report will be taken to a special meeting with the Cabinet member on 26th July 2006. Copies of the interim report are available at the Health and Care Partnership, should anyone require a copy.

The Board was advised that a further report regarding efficiency savings and policy changes was scheduled to go to Cabinet on the 29th June 2006. This would indicate an acceleration of the Accommodation and Support Modernisation Project, for people with learning disabilities. Information on this is available from Stephanie Canham.

Performance/targets

The Board noted a report measuring progress made against CSCI targets but felt it would be helpful to have targets which reflect commissioning policy. Stephanie Canham and Mike Metcalf will agree these, for discussion by the Board at the September meeting.

Mental Health**Performance/targets**

The Board received information from the Programme Manager about targets. The Board requested more detailed information on those not being met and the impact of not doing so. This information will be discussed at the September meeting.

Reports were tabled by the PCT Director of Finance and the Mental Health Commissioning Manager. Overall the key point for noting and agreement by the Board was the acknowledgement that there were no risk-sharing arrangements for the year 2006/7. This was accepted by the Board and it was noted this is one of the areas to be addressed in the review of current Section 31 arrangements.

The projected overspend in the Community Care residential and nursing home budget is to be addressed by funding beds in crisis and emergency situations only. Stephanie Canham will report the monthly position to Cabinet. The Programme Board noted the potential risks this action posed to the reputation of both organisations but were reassured that people would not be left at risk.