

Central Bedfordshire
Health and Wellbeing Board

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Title of Report Improving Mental Health for Children and their Parents

Meeting Date: 18 July 2013

Responsible Officer(s) Jane Hainstock Head of Partnership Commissioning
BCCG & Sue Tyler Acting Assistant Director Children's
Services CBC

Presented by: Diane Gray Director of Strategy and System Redesign

Action Required: It is recommended that the Health and Wellbeing Board:

- **Note and comment upon the progress made to date to improve the mental health of children and their parents**
- **Recognise that steps are being taken to integrate care across health and social care.**

Executive Summary

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| 1. | <p>Progress has been made to –to improve mental health for children and their parents. An update in the specific areas is attached at appendix 1.</p> <p>Central Bedfordshire Council (CBC) and Bedfordshire Clinical Commissioning Group (BCCG) commissioners have been developing opportunities to take forward the integration agenda, through aligning work and establishing mechanisms for the future sharing of budgets and data.</p> <p>The commissioner led reviews of the pathway of child and adolescent mental health (CAMH) services is underway and due to report in October 2013. This will provide a review of the pathway and model of care to improve outcomes..</p> |
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2 Actions taken during 12/13

	<p>The update at appendix 1 lists the work which has been progressing on the actions included within Priority 8 Improving mental health for children and their parents.</p>
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	<p>As the Board is aware the last year has seen a number of changes in the NHS and Public Health landscape, with new organisations being established and new representatives from organisations responsible for this area. The list of responsible bodies for children and young people’s mental health now includes Bedford Clinical Commissioning Group (BCCG,) Central Bedfordshire Council (CBC) including Public Health and NHS England (Hertfordshire and South Midlands Area team & East Anglia Area teams).</p> <p>This provides new opportunities to examine current services with a view to integrating service delivery and commissioning more effectively to deliver with better outcomes for children and their families. The actions and performance measures for the health and wellbeing strategy would need to be reviewed as a result to reflect the more integrated approach.</p> <p>Commissioners have been proactive in developing opportunities to take forward the integration agenda, through aligning work, considering arrangements for future sharing of budgets and data and establishing new networks. This has given a shared understanding of the BCCG and CBC responsibilities and approach and the benefits and efficiencies possible.</p> <p>Currently there are two commissioner led reviews of the pathway of child and adolescent mental health services underway that are due to report in October 13. (Terms of reference are attached as appendix 2). The outcome of these reviews will provide an overview of the whole pathway and a new model and suggested measureable outcomes to deliver the model.</p>
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3 . Conclusion and Next Steps

	<p>The Children’s CBC and BCCG commissioners are exploring ways of joint working which delivers improvements for children young people and their families whilst streamlining the current health and social system in an efficient and effective way. They are keen to develop a model of joint commissioning for Children and Young People to further this aspiration, for which some mental health services will be the pilot.</p> <p>The commissioners have had positive initial discussions with their area team colleagues, to share the approach and ideas. Further work is required to test the opportunity and ability to broaden the joint commissioning agenda to include for example the 0-5 programme currently led by the area team, due to be transferred to CBC Public Health in March 2015.</p>
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Issues	
Strategy Implications	
4	<p>Improving mental health and wellbeing is one of the priorities within the Health and Wellbeing Strategy</p> <p>There is clear alignment with the BBCG strategic commissioning plan and the areas of focus, care right now, care for my condition into the future & care when its not that simple (Mental Health & Learning disability programme)</p>
Governance & Delivery	
5	The Acting Early, Reducing Poverty and Improving Health Delivery Partnership will provide the Governance and overview of this area.
Management Responsibility	
6	Management responsibility rests with Jane Hainstock (BCCG) and Sue Tyler (CBC)
Public Sector Equality Duty (PSED)	
	The PSED requires public bodies to consider all individuals when carrying out their day to day work – in shaping policy, in delivering services and in relation to their own employees. It requires public bodies to have due regard to the need to eliminate discrimination, harassment and victimisation, advance equality of opportunity, and foster good relations between in respect of nine protected characteristics; age disability, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation.
	Are there any risks issues relating Public Sector Equality Duty Yes/No