

Guidance for the 2017/18 Refresh of the Children & Young People's Mental Health and Wellbeing Local Transformation

**Rationale**

This guidance supports the refresh of Children & Young People's Mental Health & Wellbeing (CYP MH&WB) Local Transformation Plans (LTPs) for 31 October 2017. It builds on the initial Key Lines of Enquiry (KLoEs) developed in 2015 to support the original LTPs and the refresh in 2016.

LTPs were first submitted in September 2015. LTPs set out local areas' joint responses to Future in Mind, including the use of new resources from the Autumn Statement 2014 and Spring Budget 2015. CCGs have received a total of £149M in 2016-17 and will receive £170m in 2017-18. The requirement to refresh and republish CYP MH LTPs, including details of how further resources would be used, was set out in the Planning Guidance and in Implementing the Five Year Forward View for Mental Health. It is expected that the refreshed plans will document and represent significant progress from the initial submission in 2015.

The aim is to confirm that there is transparent commitment and local engagement in 2017/18 to deliver existing planning commitments for CYP MH&WB and to make the necessary preparations for future years.

The guidance continues to use the format of the 2016/17 Mental Health Interim Assurance Audit for CCGs. The assurance will confirm that intentions identified in the audit are progressing and are backed by a substantive and transparent commitment with system-wide partners which is reflected in demonstrable progress towards the building of improved access, capacity and capability since the first CYP MH&WB LTP in 2015. It will also identify and confirm the basis of the assessment of assurance as captured in the CCG IAF and Sustainability and Transformation Plan (STP) processes.

The guidance will provide a clear view of progress and commitments to the 17/18 CYP MH&WB deliverables and beyond, as well as the challenges and indications of preparedness identified in the audit.

Please note that the guidance is to be used as a supportive tool for regions, clinical networks and CCGs and that no returns are required as part of it. Similarly, the RAG-rating system developed below is to be used only for guidance and highlight areas where plans are sufficiently robust and developed or may need further development.

A good joint plan will identify: the aim; the pathways concerned; the partners involved with a joint commitment to deliver; a project plan including planning structures; resources (including resource transfer); time scale; benefits and outcomes and; risk assessment and potential barriers.

Ratings Key:

Fully confident: Objective clearly identified and delivered. All requirements in place.

Partially confident: Objective not clearly identified, some requirements in place or plans/actions require strengthening.

Not confident: Objective not identified or no confidence that actions will result in requirements being achieved.

