



HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD: 13TH JUNE 2013

**UPDATE FROM THE LEICESTERSHIRE AND RUTLAND
SUBSTANCE MISUSE PARTNERSHIP BOARD**

Purpose of the report

1. This paper provides an update of the work of the Leicestershire and Rutland Substance Misuse Partnership Board (SMPB). It follows previous reports to the Shadow Health and Wellbeing Board in December 2012 and a Position Statement in May 2012.

Background

2. The Board has agreed the following vision:-

“Working together to make Leicestershire and Rutland a healthier and safer place by reducing the harm and inequalities caused by substance misuse, in a sustainable and cost effective way”.

3. The SMP Board has also agreed four key outcomes that along with the Vision ensures that the different workstreams work together to provide a strategic overview and a ‘whole system’ approach.

Progress

a) New Mechanisms for Delivery

4. With the anticipated local and national changes effective from April 2013 the Substance Misuse Partnership Board has undertaken a review of its role and function. This has included reviewing membership of the Partnership Board and the Substance Misuse Commissioning Group, with updated Terms of Reference for both groups. Consideration has also been given to the substructures below the Partnership Board and Commissioning Group necessary for the integrated delivery with partners of both drug and alcohol interventions. The proposals will be discussed at the Substance Misuse Partnership Board meeting later this month.

b) Key Priorities

5. A number of key priority actions have been agreed as follows and progress will be monitored by the Substance Misuse Partnership Board and it’s sub structures;
 - i) Strategic Leadership- strengthen and re-focus Substance Misuse Partnership Board and wider strategic leadership.
 - ii) Frontline training and brief advice- build the capacity of frontline staff and extend initiatives to deliver information and brief advice (IBA).

- iii) Shared Care- strengthen and extend arrangements for sharing treatment between specialist and general practice services, ensuring patient safety and robust clinical governance arrangements
- iv) Recovery and reintegration- understand existing effectiveness of recovery focused treatment system and embed initiatives that support recovery and reintegration of substance misusers.
- v) Emerging drug trends-understand trends in novel psychoactive substances (NSP's), also known as legal highs, and raise awareness of associated risks.
- vi) Children, young people, and families- integrate substance misuse prevention and early intervention initiatives into emerging children and young people's service framework.
- vii) Crime and disorder- manage the transition of criminal justice substance misuse services following re-procurement to ensure service provision is not destabilised.

Resource Implications

- 6. None arising from this report.

Equal Opportunities Implications

- 7. One of the key priorities of the Substance Misuse Partnership Board is to ensure equality of access to substance misuse interventions across the county.

Partnership Working Implications

- 8. None arising from this report. The Substance Misuse Partnership Board is a multi- agency/organisation partnership.

Recommendations

- 9. The Health and Wellbeing Board is recommended to note the activity undertaken.

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