



HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD: 5 SEPTEMBER 2013

REPORT FROM DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH

UPDATE REPORT FROM JHWS/ JSNA STEERING BOARD

Purpose of Report

1. This report provides an update for the Health and Wellbeing Board (HWB) on the progress that has been made by the JHWS/ JSNA Steering Board in progressing the development of the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy (JHWS).
2. There are three main issues the HWB are asked to consider:
 - a. Development of the action plan by the Integrated Commissioning Board (ICB) to support delivery of the priorities linked to “supporting the ageing population”.
 - b. Development of an action plan to support delivery of the priority “improving mental health and wellbeing”.
 - c. Consideration of learning disabilities within the strategy.

Existing Framework / Previous Decisions

3. The June meeting of the Health and Wellbeing Board agreed action plans for the following priorities
 - a. Getting it right from childhood; and
 - b. Managing the shift to early intervention and prevention.

Background

4. The JHWS/ JSNA Steering Board is tasked by the HWB with progressing the JHWS and Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA) for Leicestershire. The HWB is regularly consulted on the development of these two key strategic reports.
5. The work programme associated with the JHWS has progressed to delivering the priorities set out in the strategy and the steering board has identified some issues of concern that it is seeking the views of the HWB before progressing.

Proposals/options

6. The action plan for the priority of Supporting the Ageing Population, developed by the Integrated Commissioning Board, is appended to this report.

7. It was agreed at the JHWS/ JSNA Steering Board that the ICB action plans were well worked through and covered the JHWS priorities well and could be circulated as final documents as agreed at the June Health and Wellbeing Board meeting.
8. The mental health action plan was felt to be less well developed and it was not felt that the objectives set out in the strategy were well covered. One reason for this appears to be the lack of a single board to progress the work and to hold overall accountability for the action plan development and delivery. Although several groups across the county with a remit relating to mental health are in existence, it was felt by the steering board that the lack of clear governance relating to mental health priorities poses a risk to achieving the set outcomes, and is of particular concern due to the prominence of mental health issues during public consultation on the strategy. A rationalisation and reorganisation of governance arrangements for mental health was considered necessary. The JHWS/ JSNA Steering Board agreed to recommend this to the HWB.
9. The ICB action plan includes a significant level of activity relating to Learning Disabilities. One of the key areas is responding to the outcomes of the Winterbourne View investigation. The JSNA/HWBS Steering Group felt that as Learning Disabilities is an area which requires considerable attention, it is recommended that this should be considered as an additional JHWS priority. The HWB are therefore asked to consider whether there is a need to revisit the strategic priorities in the JHWS to incorporate a greater focus on the area of Learning Disabilities.

Consultations

10. The JHWS/ JSNA Steering Board is committed to holding an annual stakeholder event to review the progress that is being made and to challenge the priorities and their delivery. Planning for an event in December/ January is underway.

Resource Implications

11. The action plans set out the areas in which resources will need to be targeted to address the health and wellbeing needs of the population identified in the JSNA. The action plans are part of the commissioning cycle that has evolved from the JSNA/ JHWS and they will drive resource allocation for each of the HWB subgroups.

Equal Opportunities Implications

12. Individual developments within the JHWS action plans will be reviewed through an equalities impact assessment by the subgroups of the HWB.

Partnership Working Implications

13. The action plans identify the subgroups that will be responsible for progressing the action plans and the governance arrangements that will be needed to assure the HWB of progress against the strategy. Partnership working is key to all of the subgroups and is an essential component for delivery.

Conclusions / Recommendations

14. It is recommended that:

- I. That the Health and Wellbeing Board approve the action plan of the ICB;
- II. That the Health and Wellbeing Board establish a sub-board with specific responsibility for the development and delivery of the action plan for improving mental health and wellbeing;
- III. That the Health and Wellbeing Board reviews the JHWS priorities to include a focus on Learning Disabilities.

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