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Title: Consultation on Proposed Continuing Healthcare Placement's Policy Report of the Barking & Dagenham, Havering and Redbridge Clinical Commissioning Groups	
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Summary

NHS continuing healthcare (CHC) is the name given to a package of ongoing care that is arranged and funded solely by the NHS for adults who have been assessed as having a 'primary health need', as set out in the Department of Health and Social Care's national framework for continuing healthcare (see

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/national-framework-for-nhs-continuing-healthcare-and-nhs-funded-nursing-care).

In line with other Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs) across England, Barking & Dagenham, Havering and Redbridge CCG are looking to introduce a written 'placements policy' to support how decisions are made as to where CHC patients receive their individual packages of care. The policy will also outline how patients and their families or carers can appeal decisions. This policy is **not** about deciding whether an individual is eligible for CHC – this continues to be managed in accordance with the national framework for continuing healthcare.

The key content of the proposed policy includes:

- Considerations taken into account when deciding the most appropriate location for a person's CHC package (e.g. at home or in a care or nursing home);
- Exceptional circumstances taken into account when deciding the most appropriate location for a person's CHC package;
- How CHC packages are funded;
- The review process for CHC packages; and
- The appeals process for when patients or their families/carers disagree with a decision.

A full copy of the proposed CHC placements policy along with an initial equality impact assessment (EIA) can be found on www.barkingdagenhamccg.nhs.uk/CHC-consultation.

A presentation which provides further details on the proposals was outlined by the CCG at the Council's Health Scrutiny Committee on 3 September. Members of the Committee raised a number of issues & concerns with the proposed policy and agreed that given the commissioning implications it should be referred to the Board for consideration and comment.

Sharon Morrow, Director of Transformation and Delivery – Unplanned Care and Dr Jagan John (Chair of Barking and Dagenham CCG), will deliver the presentation and take questions and comments.

Recommendation(s)

The Health and Wellbeing Board is recommended to:

- Note the presentation;
- ii. Ask questions of the Director of Transformation and Delivery– Unplanned Care and the Chair of the B&DCCG to determine how the potential changes will affect the Borough's residents and
- iii. Delegate authority to Councillor Worby, as the Chair of the Board, to formally respond to the consultation by the deadline of 5pm on 30 September 2019.

Reason(s)

This consultation relates to the Council's priorities to enable greater independence whilst protecting the most vulnerable and strengthen our services for all.

Public Background Papers Used in the Preparation of the Report

BHR CCGs' CHC Consultation Document:

http://www.barkingdagenhamccg.nhs.uk/downloads/BHR-CCGs/Our-work/CHC-consultation/July-2019-BHR-CCGs-CHC-policy-consultation-doc-FINAL.pdf