Mental Health Sub-group

Chair:

Martin Munro, Executive Director of Human Resources & Organisational Development, North East London NHS Foundation Trust

Items to be escalated to the Health & Wellbeing Board

The Group requested that the Health and Wellbeing Board consider whether joint development events for Sub-Group members to meet might be programmed into the annual business cycle.

The Group recommends that the key themes for a work programme be:

- a) Early intervention on children's mental health linked to children's centres
- b) Aligning commissioning targets and incentives for primary care and specialist services
- c) Exploring initiatives in service provision to people with co-morbidities in long term health conditions

The task/finish group to ensure the patient and service user voice regarding long term mental and physical health conditions is heard

Meeting Attendance

14 August 2013: 67% (10 of 15)

Performance

Please note that no performance targets have been agreed as yet.

Action(s) since last report to the Board

The group has not reported to the Health and Wellbeing Board before, therefore this is a list of actions agreed and proposed work programme priorities discussed at the first meeting.

- a) The sub-group agreed terms of reference and membership. It was recognised that primary care commissioning via NHS England and specialist commissioning were not represented.
- b) A paper by the Kings Fund (February 2012) was reviewed. This highlighted improvements in quality of care and potential avoidance of duplication and emergency admissions through integration of care and active case management initiatives to meet the mental health needs of people with long term physical conditions and physical health of those with long term mental health conditions. Population information about those with comorbidities could be explored
- c) The Group agreed that a work programme should focus a small number of key themes

consistent with local strategic objectives and national policy. Proposed themes are listed for HWBB consideration.

d) A verbal update on the new Court Diversion and Liaison service for Barking & Dagenham was received.

Action and Priorities for the coming period

As an immediate priority the Sub-Group will be consulted on the CCG mental health commissioning intentions during September 2013. It was recognised that this will be prior to the next scheduled meeting to fit with the commissioning cycle. The Group agreed that an extraordinary meeting will not be required but that electronic comment from members will be collated by the Chair on behalf of the Group.

A task/finish group to ensure the patient and service user voice regarding long term mental and physical health conditions is heard, with membership from NELFT senior management, Healthwatch, NELFT Service User Groups (SURG), Public Health and Children's Services representation, building on existing expertise and engagement.

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