Learning Disability Partnership Board

Chair: Glynis Rogers, Divisional Director Commissioning and Partnerships

Items to be escalated to the Health & Wellbeing Board

(a) None

Performance

The Board is working well and a review of the service user /carer representatives was completed at sub group level. Both the carers/service user forums are in agreement that their representatives continue to represent their views and are feeding back to them about the actions of the LDPB. The Provider forum has been revamped moving from a top down approach where information is given to them about a range of subjects to the providers leading the agenda of issues they wish to discuss/receive reports and information about. This is working well with providers arranging a pre meet for the next meeting in October 2014.

Meeting Attendance

LDPB meeting 1st July the attendance was 45% (9/20 attendees)

Action(s) since last report to the Health and Wellbeing Board

- (a) Learning Disability Partnership boards continue to be held regularly a comprehensive forward plan is in operation.
- (b) The LDPB has been developing its understanding of the Care Act and specific areas of interest are the improvements to information, advice and guidance including the need for financial advice, transitions to adult services and meeting the needs of carers under the new act. The implementation of the Care Act is now a standing agenda item.
- (c) The LDPB has been inputting into the development of implementation of the Children and Families Bill and has noted the continued work in this area.
- (d) The LDPB is keen to be part of the consultation for the refresh of the Housing Strategy in particular with regard to needs of the learning disability community/supported housing.
- (e) Finally the LDPB has been supportive of the Autism Strategy refresh and has noted reports on the diagnostic pathway from NELFT and is particularly interested in how the Adult Autism Strategy will interlink with the existing strategy in this key growth area.
- (f) LDPB were pleased to note that service user engagement was a key feature of the recruitment of the LD Joint Commissioner and were pleased to note that their views were considered very carefully in the appointment of the successful candidate.

Action and Priorities for the coming period

(a) To continue to develop the members of the LDPB's understanding of the implementation of the Care Act and its impact on adult social care for people with a learning disability.

- (b) To hear more about the market position statement with regard to learning disability and how the views of people with a learning disability can shape the market development of services and improve the range of services that people with a learning disability are able to buy.
- (c) Review the contribution with reference to learning disability on the Joint Strategic Needs assessment.
- (d) To engage with the plans for Care City and a particular interest is the development of skills of personal assistants to work with people with learning disability and autism.
- (e) To continue to support the work on healthy eating, obesity and healthy lifestyles which is considered a priority by the LD community at large.
- (f) To be part of the process this is seeking to tender the supported living contracts for the future.

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