

Learning Disability Partnership Board

Chair: Glynis Rogers, Divisional Director Commissioning and Partnerships, London Borough of Barking and Dagenham

<p>Items to be escalated to the Health & Wellbeing Board</p> <p>None.</p>
<p>Attendance:</p> <p>15th September – 80% (12 out of 15) member attended.</p>
<p>Performance issues.</p> <p>There are no issues at this time.</p>
<p>Action(s) since last report to the Board</p> <p>(a) The partnership board meets regularly and has active membership representing a range of stakeholders inclusive of service users, Carers, Providers, Children services, Care management, Housing, Healthwatch and Hospitals. The meetings offer members an opportunity to comment on consultations both national and local policies directly affecting people with a learning disability. Examples of this are the DoH green paper “ No voice unheard, No right untold” and the implementation of the boroughs’ carers strategy.</p> <p>(b) The authority and the CCG continue to deliver on the agreements set out in the Winterbourne concordat. London is under a great deal of focus from both NHS England and Association of Directors of Adult Social Services (ADASS) following poor performance in the past year. There is strong emphasis on discharging patients who have spent over a year in an Assessment and Treatment Unit. (ATU). The Borough has achieved the target the national target of meeting a 10% reduction in its cohort of patients. However this report wishes the board to note Barking & Dagenham have on occasion implemented a lengthy discharge transition plan when discharging patients that have spent several years in an ATU. This has at times resulted in discharge dates being extended, which receives a negative report to NHS England and ADASS. The London average of re-admissions back into an ATU is 28% Barking & Dagenham to date have a zero % readmission performance.</p> <p>(c) A Coroner’s report detailing the circumstances which led to the death of a woman with Learning disability in a neighbouring borough was used as a lesson learnt document to ensure Barking & Dagenham have in place the appropriate support to people with a learning disability access medical attention. The report was presented to the learning disability partnership board. Reassurance was given on the support</p>

the hospitals offer to people with a learning disability; however it highlighted a need for GPs across the borough to be more consistent and robust in providing health checks. The Clinical Commissioning Group and the Community Learning Disability Team will develop an improvement plan to refresh the training that GPs may need on completing health checks and developing health action plans.

- (d) Feedback from the Sub groups is proving valuable. Attendance from the Carers forum has been very low over the past 3 months. Attempts to encourage participation have been to rotate the meetings between morning and evening sessions. Further ideas will need to be developed to stimulate attendance. The Carers Forum is keen to ensure the councils Carers strategy meets the needs of carers who support people with a learning disability and that the strategy distinguishes between the different needs of older and younger carers of people with a learning disability.
- (e) The sub-groups have active members that are contributing to the development of the Learning Disability Independent Housing strategy.
- (f) The Council is planning to carry out a consultation to service users and carers on changes to the charging policy.

Action and Priorities for the coming period

- (a) An update of the implementation of the Learning Disability Self Assessment Framework Action Plan.
- (b) An update of the implementation of the Learning Disability Autism Monitoring Action Plan.
- (c) Overview update of all the implementation programmes where Learning Disability services are a stakeholder.

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