

## **HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD**

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### **HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD : SCOPING PAPER ON OUT OF HOSPITAL CARE**

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#### **Summary**

At the last meeting of the Board it was agreed that the Board would undertake a piece of work on 'Out of Hospital Care'. This links to a number of priorities in the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy and assists integrated working as part of the Better Care Fund. This paper proposes a workshop to provide members with background information on good practice and local services followed by a facilitated session to identify how the Board could facilitate moving forward with such proposed integrated working.

#### **1. Budget and Policy Framework**

- 1.1 The Health and Social Care Act 2012 (HSCA) set out the requirement for all upper tier and unitary local authorities in England to establish a Health and Wellbeing Board (HWB), which would be established as a committee of the council.
- 1.2 HWBs have a duty to develop a Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy which identifies priorities and sets out a strategic framework in which CCGs, local authorities and NHS England can make their own commissioning decisions. They also have a duty to promote greater integration and partnership, including joint commissioning and integrated provision

#### **2. Background**

- 2.1 The Health and Wellbeing Board has reflected on its progress to date and the priorities, which it has confirmed for 2014/15.
- 2.2 Discussion at the last HWB on 22 April 2014 identified Out of Hospital Care as a subject that the Board wished to focus on. Board members supported



having a longer term strategic focus on this subject as it is integral to successful delivery of the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy and integrated working. It was recognised that as well as health, public health and social care services the scope could be extended to include housing related issues. There was recognition that there had been good progress locally in developing the Better Care Fund Plan and that the Board would want to build on this. There was also recognition that there is ongoing work on integration and service redesign locally and that the HWB would need to identify how it could bring added value to this subject part of which is Out of Hospital Care.

- 2.3 Transforming provision of services in the community to focus on prevention and early intervention and improve outcomes is key to the success of the BCF plan and sustainability of local services. It is also consistent with the HWB's statutory duty to encourage an integrated approach to health and social care services.

### **3. Next steps**

- 3.1 Out of Hospital Care is complex, has a significant interface with hospital care and is subject to a range of national and local drivers. In order that the HWB understands this landscape it is proposed to hold a HWB workshop. This would allow the HWB to have a presentation from IPC who have been working with Medway Council and Medway CCG on intermediate care and would describe to the Board the features of cost effective care systems. This would be followed by presentations on the strategic challenges and opportunities of out of hospital care from local health service and social care perspectives.
- 3.2 It is proposed that the following are invited to present to the HWB:
- Acute care – Medway NHS Foundation Trust
  - Community services – Medway Community Health
  - General practice – Kent Local Medical Committee
  - Mental health – Kent and Medway NHS and Social Care Partnership Trust
  - Social Care – Medway Council
  - Ambulance service and 111 - South East Coast Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust
- 3.3 The HWB engaged in a Board development programme during its shadow year and first year of establishment. This has laid the foundations for working together to improve outcomes.
- 3.4 Immediately following the presentations the Board would have a session facilitated by Eden Charles to support and challenge the Board and to identify how, as a system leader, it could contribute to this proposed agenda. This would be drafted as a proposal for the Board to consider.

### **4. Risk implications**

- 4.1 There are no specific risk implications connected with this report.

### **5. Financial and legal implications**

- 5.1 There are no legal implications arising from this report.
- 5.2 The Board development programme is funded through existing budgets.



## **6. Recommendation**

- 6.1 The HWB is asked to agree to the delivery of the workshop on Out of Hospital Care in September 2014.
- 6.2 The HWB is asked to agree that the Board development programme is used to assist the Board develop its approach to Out of Hospital Care.

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### **Background papers - none**

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