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| 86/2014                         | 4   | That Cabinet asks NHS England (Kent and<br>Medway Local Area Team) to work with NHS<br>Medway Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG)<br>to investigate inequity in access and outcomes<br>at GP practices and report back to the Health<br>and Wellbeing Board with its plan to address<br>the issue. | Elliot Howard-<br>Jones<br>Dr Green<br>Alison Burchell | Medway CCG is developing joint strategies with NHSE to<br>support more integrated and community-based services in<br>the implementation of the local primary care strategy, which<br>is intended to address inequities in access and outcomes. In<br>line with national planning guidance the CCG has developed<br>a 5 year Strategy with the first two years operational plans<br>set out in detail, informed by sessions with GPs, patients<br>and the public events, including wider stakeholder events<br>and a Call to Action. The strategy is aligned to the JSNA and<br>Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy Priority Actions. |
|                                 |     |   |  | Two year service redesign priorities include:  |
|                                 |     |   |  | Primary care focused integrated health and social care teams – facilitating better access to physical health care  |
|                                 |     |   |  | Primary care delivery models   |
|                                 |     |   |  | • Community service redesign programme; offering single point of access, case management and active community engagement   |
|                                 |     |   |  | The expected outcomes include a specific focus on reducing health inequalities and mean that in five years Medway will have:   |
|                                 |     |   |  | • Established clear and transparent processes that actively engage and empower local citizens to secure equality of access to care and better health outcomes.   |
|                                 |     |   |  | • Driven improvements across all NHS outcome domains resulting in reduced health inequality, access to the highest quality urgent and emergency care and a modern  |

<sup>1</sup> http://democracy.medway.gov.uk/mgAi.aspx?ID=9442

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|                                 |     |   |  | model of integrated care; focusing on people not conditions.  |
| 89/2014                         | 7   | That Cabinet: asks the Health and Wellbeing<br>Board to engage with members of the public<br>and seek views on barriers to uptake of health<br>and social care services – whether they be<br>Council, NHS or volunteer – in the development<br>and implementation of the Health and Wellbeing<br>Board engagement plan in the next 12 months;<br>and that the findings of this engagement<br>exercise should be used to programme and<br>target further work to address health<br>inequalities with Council service managers,<br>NHS colleagues and the voluntary sector. | Dr Barnett   | Public Health have arranged to meet with HealthWatch<br>Medway on 10th October to discuss whether similar work<br>has already been undertaken and identify whether additional<br>engagement is required.  |
| 91/2014                         | 9   | That Cabinet asks the Health and Wellbeing<br>Board to identify where health equity audits may<br>help to determine action that would reduce<br>health inequalities across council services and<br>those commissioned by the CCG and NHS<br>England (Kent and Medway Local Area Team);<br>And that the Public Health department then<br>provides support or leads on conducting those<br>which are determined to be the highest priority<br>by the Health and Wellbeing Board.  | Dr Barnett<br>Elliot Howard-<br>Jones<br>Alison Burchell<br>Dr Green | Recently published research has shown that nationally<br>women from more deprived areas are less likely to engage<br>with services prior to and after birth, more likely to report that<br>they were not treated respectfully or spoken to in a way they<br>could understand, and more likely to have an unplanned<br>caesarean section. Compared to the least deprived quintile,<br>women in the most deprived quintile were significantly less<br>likely to have had any antenatal care, be seen by a health<br>professional before 12 weeks and to have had a postnatal<br>check-up. |
|                                 |     |   |  | Locally, a review in 2013 by the CQC raised concerns about maternity services. Improvements have been made as a result, however, it is not known if access to services is equitable.  |
|                                 |     |   |  | A Health Equity Audit to determine if there are inequities in access to and use of maternity services in Medway is therefore recommended to the Health and Wellbeing Board for consideration.   |

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