

Sunderland Clinical Commissioning Group

NHS South of Tyne and Wear

Development of Strategic and Operational Plans for 2012/13 – 2016/17

Progress Update for Sunderland Early Implementer Health and Wellbeing Board January 2012

Purpose of the Report

This paper describes the process and timetable for developing Sunderland Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) and Primary Care Trust (PCT) plans for 2012 to 2017.

It includes an initial draft / work in progress version of the Clinical Commissioning Group Commissioning Plan, together with the initial list of PCT detailed changes planned for 2012/13.

The Health and Wellbeing Board is asked to consider the draft plan and provide input and feedback, as part of the plan development process.

Background

2012/13 is a year of transition for the commissioning of health services in Sunderland. Although the PCT is still formally accountable for the NHS commissioning budget, responsibility is increasingly being delegated to the CCG for the commissioning of those services which will transfer to them, while it is expected that the public health budget and responsibilities will transfer to the Local Authority, potentially by October 2012.

Planning for spend in 2012/13 is formally the responsibility of the PCT which must produce an Integrated Strategic and Operational Plan (ISOP) to address the recommendations in the Sunderland Joint Strategic Needs Assessment and meet the national requirements set out in the National Operating Framework for the NHS. However, the impact of those plans will fall on Sunderland CCG and Sunderland Council and so the CCG part of the PCT ISOP has been developed with and will be signed off by the CCG, while the Public Health part of the ISOP is still the subject of discussions with the Council.

Sunderland Clinical Commissioning Group Commissioning Plan 2012- 2017

Department of Health guidance on the development of Clinical Commissioning Groups requires them to develop a 5 year strategic plan which sets out their vision; the challenges they face; their strategy for tackling those challenges; and arrangements for delivering the changes. The Sunderland CCG Pathfinder Committee has worked since October 2011 to articulate this plan and at the end of December 2011 produced a first

draft / work in progress to share with partners at the earliest possible stage to ensure that the plan develops in harmony with the local authority and other local partner plans.

Appendix A sets out that initial draft plan. It is very much a work in progress for early sharing. The Plan is also being shared with patients, carers and the public and offers have been made to visit these groups and discuss the plan where requested. The Plan will also be shared with other stakeholders and the Executive Committee are considering options such as holding an event for key stakeholders as well as presenting to this Board and Scrutiny Committee in order to discuss the Plan.

Sunderland PCT Commissioning Intentions 2012/13

Planning guidance and allocations for PCTs were issued in December and a first draft ISOP will be submitted to the Strategic Health Authority on 20th January. This document will be shared with partners (including the Health and Wellbeing Board) when it is written, but the detailed changes planned for 2012/13 have been developed using a detailed process over the past three months. CCG changes have been jointly developed and agreed with the CCG while Public Health service changes have been discussed between PCT and Council officers.

Appendix B sets out the lists of detailed changes proposed for 2012/13 – these commissioning intentions have been shared as an earlier draft with the Health and Wellbeing Board at their last meeting for comment.

The intentions will be notified to potential providers during week of the 16th January 2012 and contract negotiations will commence to agree final contracts by mid March.

The proposed Public Health changes will be taken forward as part of the public health transition arrangements.

Recommendations:

The Health and Wellbeing Board are recommended to:

1. Note the draft SCCG Clear and Credible Plan and final Sunderland Commissioning Intentions
2. Discuss and feedback and comments on the SCCG Clear and Credible Plan.

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