

SUNDERLAND HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD

23 January 2015

FEEDBACK FROM THE SUNDERLAND NHS PROVIDER FORUM

Report of the Chair of the Sunderland NHS Provider Forum

The Sunderland NHS Provider Forum met on 8th January at City Hospital Sunderland. 6 members were present representing 5 of the 7 members.

It was agreed by Forum that a Provider representative rather than the Chair of the group should provide the feedback to the HWBB as a regular arrangement. It was agreed that Ken Bremner would do this as he is already a member of the HWBB as Chair of the LSP.

Issues discussed were:

Under Matters Arising

There are a plethora of initiatives running from the CCG and in partnerships – is there a view on how cumulative success for the City as a whole will be evaluated?

Manpower

City Hospitals reported that at a recent CQC meeting that the Trust's ability to act on certain recommendations was limited by manpower issues which they cannot address on their own.

Although manpower is discussed at the CCG transformation Board it was recognised that this is not just a CCG issue and needs to be looked at in a much broader way.

A number of different potential solutions were discussed including working conditions, free nursery facilities, 'golden handshakes/handcuffs', pay and conditions a series of high profile speaker events linked to the university.

Recommended that the HWBB encourage links with the Education and Economic Leadership groups to ensure that the health workforce is prioritised and that the conditions to attract professional are encouraged.

The skills and workforce needs in the Care sector are slightly different and mainly focus around the upskilling of the workforce and this will become more important as the locality model is rolled out. The care academy was discussed and it was agreed that further details would be circulated.

Engagement Event

Initial discussion highlighted that from CCG & local authority commissioned services, that there would be approximately 120 organisations on the invitation list for the event. It was agreed that this would be manageable and that a date be set for the event early this year.

HWB Assurance

A template for assurance against the HWB Strategy design principles was circulated and discussed. KB agreed that City Hospitals would pilot the template and feedback issues to the next group.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Health and Wellbeing Board is recommended to:

- Note the content of the feedback report from the Provider Forum
- Agree to take the issue of manpower to the education and economic leadership boards.