
Shadow Health and Wellbeing Board - 21st January 2013

Report of the Head of Partnership Commissioning, Dudley Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG)

Dudley CCG – Strategic Commissioning Plan 2012/15

Purpose of Report

1. To consider Dudley CCG's Strategic Commissioning Plan.
2. To offer the CCG the Board's opinion as to whether the plan takes proper account of the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy (JHWS), in accordance with the provisions of the Health and Social Care Act 2012

Background

3. The Board has, on previous occasions, received reports on the development of Dudley CCG.
4. The Board has noted the process that the CCG has been required to go through in order to be authorised as a statutory body with effect from 1st April 2013. Part of this process has involved the CCG developing a comprehensive plan setting out its commissioning priorities, the financial context within which it will be operating and its associated Quality, Innovation, Productivity and Prevention (QIPP) Programme.
5. This report sets out the broad framework of this plan for consideration by the Board in terms of how it takes proper account of the JHWS.

Strategic Commissioning Plan 2012/15

6. This plan is attached as a separate document. The plan has been drawn up in the light of:-
 - the likely financial challenges to be faced by the CCG in coming years;
 - priorities inherited from the PCT;
 - the views of the CCG's membership;
 - key issues from the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA);
 - views expressed by patients and the public.

7. Three commissioning objectives have been identified:-

- to address health inequalities in Dudley;
- to ensure that local services deliver the best possible outcomes for the whole population;
- to improve the quality and safety of services locally.

The JSNA, the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy and CCG Commissioning Priorities

8. The main duty of the Board, of which the CCG is a constituent part, is to develop a JSNA and in so doing draw up the JHWS.

9. The emergent JSNA and its key facts has been the subject of consideration by the CCG during Board development sessions and on other occasions. The CCG has noted the JSNA's key facts in drawing up its commissioning priorities. Because of timing issues, the development of the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy has taken place to some extent in parallel to the CCG's plan. Nevertheless, the JHWS's priorities of:-

- making neighbourhoods healthy;
- making lifestyles healthy;
- making our children healthy;
- making our minds healthy;
- making our urgent care services healthy.

...are all reflected in the CCG's 12 main commissioning priorities as follows:-

- improving children's services;
- improving urgent care;
- developing primary mental health care;
- improving care for older people;
- improving diabetes services;
- improving access to cardiology;
- improving access to ophthalmology services;
- improving stroke care;
- developing community nursing services;
- developing psychological input into alcohol services;
- implementing a primary care strategy to reduce unwarranted variation in performance;
- prioritising resources.

Financial Implications

10. The financial assumptions underpinning the plan are identified in Section 1.1.

Legal Implications

11. Section 14Z13 of the Health and Social Care Act 2012 places a requirement on CCGs to consult the Health and Wellbeing Board when preparing its commissioning plan. The Health and Wellbeing Board is required to give its opinion on whether the plan takes proper account of the JHWS.

Equality Impact

12. The commissioning plan is designed to address a number of health inequalities. Equality impact assessments will be carried out as part of the business case process for any developments and reviewed as part of the CCG's governance arrangements

Recommendation

13. The Board is asked to consider the CCG's Strategic Commissioning Plan 2012/15 and offer an opinion on whether the plan takes proper account of the JHWS.

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