

CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PANEL

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Introduction

Update in relation to Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service following last months report, March 2013.

CAMHS Infant Mental Health Team (IMHT)

The position of the Infant Mental Health Team in February 2013 was 100% treated within 18 weeks and therefore the team does not breach the contracted target of 18 weeks from referral to treatment. Children together with the family are currently assessed within 14 weeks of referral and there are currently 28 children waiting to be assessed by the CAMHS IMHT. There is an 8% Did Not Attend (DNA) rate in the team.

Primary Mental Health Work Team (PMHW)

The position of the CAMHS Primary Mental Health Workers Team in February 2013 was 100% treated within 18 weeks and therefore the team does not breach the contracted target of 18 weeks from referral to treatment. Children together with the family are currently assessed within 18 weeks of referral and there are currently 68 children waiting to be assessed by the CAMHS Primary Mental Health Workers Team. There is a 3% DNA rate in the team.

CAMHS Plymouth Multi-disciplinary Team (PMDT)

The position of the CAMHS Plymouth Multi-Disciplinary Team in February 2013 was 100% treated within 18 weeks and therefore the team does not breach the contracted target of 18 weeks from referral to treatment. Children together with the family are currently assessed within 18 weeks of referral and there are currently 89 children waiting to be assessed by the CAMHS Plymouth Multi-Disciplinary Team. There is a 14% DNA rate in the team.

CAMHS Outreach Team (COT)

The position of the CAMHS Outreach Team in February 2013 was 100% treated within 18 weeks and therefore the team does not breach the contracted target of 18 weeks from referral to treatment. Children together with the family are currently assessed at point of referral. There is a 19% DNA rate in the team and can be understood by a challenging group to engage.

CAMHS Neuro-developmental Team

The position of the neuro developmental Team in February 2013 was 100% treated within 18 weeks and therefore the team does not breach the contracted target of 18 weeks from referral to treatment. Children together with the family are currently assessed within 18 weeks of referral and there are currently 56 children waiting to be assessed by the CAMHS Neuro-developmental team. There is a 15% DNA rate in the team.

CAMHS Severe Learning Disability Team (SLD)

The position of the CAMHS SLD Team in February 2013 was 100% treated within 18 weeks and therefore the team does not breach the contracted target of 18 weeks from referral to treatment. Children together with the family are currently assessed within 16 weeks of referral and there are currently 9 children waiting to be assessed by the CAMHS SLD team. There is a 8% DNA rate in the team.

CAMHS Children in Care Team (CIC)

The position of the CAMHS CIC Team in February 2013 was 100% treated within 18 weeks and therefore the team does not breach the contracted target of 18 weeks from referral to treatment. Children together with the family are currently assessed within 15 weeks of referral and there are currently 10 children waiting to be assessed by the CAMHS CIC team. There is a 8% DNA rate in the team.

Conclusion

The service is currently developing proposals to reduce the level of DNA within its teams, particularly where there is a need to ensure that appropriate engagement has taken place from a clinical perspective. It is also working with commissioners to develop a Single Point of Access for Children and Young People which should help clarify referral criteria and help direct them to the right place, first time.