

NEW Devon Clinical Commissioning Group

Report for Devon Health and Wellbeing Board Meeting: January 2014

Recommendation

These agenda items aim to provide an update to the Health and Wellbeing Board in relation to the CCG's Commissioning Framework and intentions for 2014/16. This brief overview paper will be supplemented by copies of the Commissioning Framework Launch presentation and Modules circulated so far including CF04 - Top 6 commissioner Priorities and the Board are asked to note the update schedule and contribute views in relation to the process.

1. Commissioning Framework 2014/16

NEW Devon Clinical Commissioning Group has been creating its Commissioning Framework. We are mandated to produce a five year strategy which will focus on how as a health and social care community we create a high quality and sustainable system that delivers on our ambition to place individuals at the centre of our work.

We recognise that we cover many providers and health communities in NEW Devon CCG. Our commissioning framework therefore delivers a single, clear and robust approach that will apply to each community consistently: our unit of account is to deliver success to all areas within the CCG.

We recognise the challenges within this planning round and believe that by setting out a clear framework and looking to work collaboratively with all providers and across organisational boundaries offer the best chance of collective success with the best patient and population outcomes. The framework will also allow us to adopt solutions for individual communities where these fit within the key principles we establish.

The framework also allows us to bring together, summarise and track all key documents in one place and to provide a forum to answer questions in a way that benefits all interested parties.

A launch event was held in Exeter on December 4th for key stakeholders to introduce the principles of the framework, which are:

- To place the individual at the centre of our work to support the delivery of our vision
- To produce a single, clear, consistent and robust framework for all our commissioning activity
- To work equally with all providers by providing the same information at the same time and acting consistently

- To achieve key national targets sustainably from within our resource base
- The framework is composed of a series of modules.
- Through the planning process we will issue more detailed guidance for each module and in response to any national guidance published.
- We will issue an update each fortnight during the period December – March.

NEW Devon CCGs commissioning plans have taken account of the Joint Strategic Needs Assessments and will contribute to delivery of the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategies.

2. Commissioning intentions

Our combination of intentions seeks to balance equity of outcome, timely and reasonable access and value for money in the provision of services for our entire population. Reduction of health inequalities will focus on outcomes and on access. Investment may be made on a differential basis in order to achieve this.

The necessary transformation of the system will focus on the provider landscape and we can anticipate consolidation of expertise and provider development in line with the location of needs, consistent with the recommendations of the Keogh Review. A key next step with Local Authorities, specialist and primary care commissioners and health providers is to embark on the design which delivers and sustains explicit health and social care outcomes and begins from an ambitious scope for the Better Care Fund (previously the Integration Transformation Fund).

Explicitly, this will require reinvestment of current resources. An ethical framework will guide the inevitably difficult investment and disinvestment decisions across competing priorities. Such decisions must be taken. We would look for and expect provider support in reaching and implementing such decisions.

We intend to establish with providers a mutual responsibility for:

- Managing the demand for services and;
- Lowering the commissioned costs and provider unit costs of provision.

The attached CF04 document outlines our 'Top 6 priorities'. Further documents will be published on 10th January 2014 to outline our additional commissioning intentions.