



Executive Partnership Board

Report

Title: Learning Disability Partnership Board Update

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Priority Areas agreed by the Learning Disability Partnership Board at the last meeting held on 2nd August 2012:

- Health
 - Day Opportunities
 - Keeping Safe
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- The Learning Disability Partnership Board has met twice since the last Executive Partnership Board, 14th June and 2nd August 2012.
 - The Health Services and Activities Group has met once, 5th July and is due to meet on 11th September 2012.
 - The Day Opportunities Services and Activities Group has met once, 17th May 2012.
 - The Keeping Safe Services and Activities Group has met twice, 1st June and 10th July 2012.
 - The LDPB has been represented at: Local Account Meetings, Ridgeway SEG meetings and at two Health Conferences.

LDPB Update

The current work plan for the Learning Disability Partnership Board has been in operation now for 12 months. The People Working Groups and the Services and Activities Groups have proved a very successful way of moving forward on agreed priority areas and ensuring the work of the Learning Disability Partnership Board focuses upon the main areas of activity and/or concern.

On review of the work plan a number of the priority areas are actioned and the Board have agreed a new work plan to reflect the updated status and additional priorities.

Services and Activities Groups

Health Update

The group is made up from representatives from Bucks County Council Commissioning Health Lead, Ridgeway, LD Community Team, Acute Services, NHS and Talkback.

The group have identified a number of priority areas and as a result have decided to complete a PATH as a constructive way forward. The PATH meeting is to be held on 11th September 2012.

Continuation of the Health Passport is a high priority. The use of the Health Passport links in closely with people having effective Health Checks. There is no current funding to reproduce the Health Passports going forward. The Health Services and Activities Group are considering how this can best be resolved.

The Clinical Commissioning Groups have identified a champion GP, Dr Nisar Yaseen, to be the clinical lead for learning disability services. Ainsley MacDonnell is overseeing how best this agreed time can be utilised.

The Getting Better Healthcare Event (and document) for people with a Learning Disability was attended by a representative from the LDPB. Further to this event and publication, members requested that Alison Giraud-Saunders be invited to attend the LDPB or Health Services and Activities Group at a future date to develop a closer working relationship with the Foundation for people with a learning disability.

The Health Check Event in Reading in July was attended by a member of the Health Services and Activities Group.

Talkback have recently met with the Ambulance Service in response to developing the Treat Me Not My Knee training onto DVD format so as it can reach more healthcare providers. Funding still to be secured.

Day Opportunities

People with a learning disability and family carers still have a great number of concerns regarding the changes to day services. A Day Opportunities Services and Activities Group meeting took place with Linda Warmbier on 17th May 2012 and she attended the LDPB on 2nd August to update members, address concerns and answer questions.

Talkback have recently commenced a new project with people with a learning disability called "Advocacy Through Change". This piece of work will allow people to raise their concerns and anxieties throughout the transition. POhWER are working with other client groups.

Keeping Safe

It is a priority to take forward the 'Safe Place' scheme and to have a conference to launch the work. Two meetings have taken place to discuss a local 'Safe Place' Scheme. This piece of work is to be continued at the next meeting at the end of September 2012.

The LDPB are keen to work more closely with the BSVAB and have made enquiries into having representation on the Board.

The LDPB reviewed the publication "Loneliness and Cruelty" produced by the Foundation for People with Learning Disabilities and have agreed that its content should be at the heart of everything we do. To be taken forward through the Working Groups and the Learning Disability Partnership Board.

Education/Employment Services & Activities Group

This area to be addressed within the Day Opportunities Services and Activities Group.

OTHER AREAS

Local Account Panel

Fred Charman (LDPB Co-Chair) has accepted to attend a quarterly meeting to check and challenge the progress they are making against key priorities 2012-2013, as set out in the local account.

Ridgeway

To ensure continuity, Andy Martin is the nominated representative for the LDPB at the Stakeholder Engagement Group meetings.