

Executive Partnership Board Meeting

10 December 2012

Report on what is being done by the partnership boards in taking forward the Dignity in Care Agenda

Maxine Foster, joint commissioning manager, has been visiting the partnership boards to explain the Dignity in Care Agenda and to encourage members to sign up in becoming Dignity in Care Champions. Both the Older People and Physical and Sensory Disability Partnership Boards now have Dignity in Care as a standing item on their agenda.

At the Older People Partnership Board meeting in November, Lin Hazell, chairman of the Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee, presented its task and finish group report on “Who Cares – Care of Older People in Hospital Wards”. The report based on the committee’s review on the quality of care for older people in Bucks hospitals has produced a set of recommendations which will be taken to the Bucks Healthcare Trust’s Executive Board. The Committee will be reporting to the Older People’s Partnership Board in January 2013 on how Bucks Healthcare Trust will be responding to the report’s recommendations.

The Older People’s Champion Forum on behalf of the Older People Partnership Board has agreed to be the forum for inviting Dignity in Care Champions to explain how they are promoting Dignity in Care within their organisations and services.

A revised inter agency Dignity in Care Action Plan is being developed which will be signed off at the AFW and Joint Executive Team Boards in January 2013. The action plan includes actions for the Partnership

Boards to support and promote the Dignity in Care Agenda as part of their boards' agenda and among their board members.

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