



Executive Partnership Board

Report

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- The Learning Disability Partnership Board had to postpone the last meeting in October 2012. Our next meeting is on Thursday 6th December 2012.
- Learning Disability Partnership Board meetings have also been set for next year.
- The Health Services and Activities Group has met on 11th September 2012 and on 8th November 2012
- The Keeping Safe Services and Activities Group has met on 8th November and 15th November 2012
- The Peoples Working Groups (for people with learning disabilities) have continued to meet supported by Talkback to raise any issues and concerns and to represent people with learning disabilities and

their views on the priorities of the Learning Disability Partnership Board.

- The LDPB has been represented on the Local Account Panel by Fred Charman and Sue Pigott.
- LDPB has also been represented at the South Central Quality Health Forum where issues around the Winterbourne enquiry were discussed. A full report on this is due for publication in November 2012 and it was felt by some members of the Board that we need to address these recommendations in the first meeting of 2013.

LDPB Update

The LDPB is working on its priorities for the coming year 2013 that were set from the last meeting. Health and Keeping Safe still remain an area of high profile for the all of the working groups.

Services and Activities Groups

Health Action Group

The group is made up from representatives from Bucks County Council Commissioning, Southern Health (formerly Ridgeway) from the LD Community Team and inpatient services, Bucks Hospitals Trust, Clinical Commissioning Groups and Talkback.

The group have nearly completed an initial PATH which sets out the priorities and key areas to work on over the next year. A PATH meeting was held on 11th September 2012 and people with a learning disability contributed their views to the PATH.

The Clinical Commissioning Groups have identified a champion GP, Dr Nisar Yaseen, to be the clinical lead for learning disability services. He has now attended one of the Service and Activity Health meetings and contributed to the PATH.

Targets from the Health Self Assessment Framework have also been added to the PATH to ensure that issues are included in the Partnership Board's work plan.

A small workgroup is to meet and discuss a proposal to add and include some new pages into the Health Passport and to present this to providers of health services. Requests for the Health Passport is still a high priority.

Lots of work is going on to try to improve the number of annual health checks being carried out in Bucks. Nurses from the LD community teams have been visiting all GP surgeries and a training session and toolkit are being developed to help surgeries to deliver a better service to people with learning disabilities.

Keeping Safe Service and Activity Group.

At the moment this group is represented by members of Talkback and Reach both of whom work alongside people with learning disabilities.

This group was invited to meet with other representatives from local councils, police, and community safety, to discuss the launching of a Buckinghamshire wide Safe Place Scheme. It has currently been piloted in Burnham and in Chesham where it is also about to go live. In the meeting it was suggested that using service providers and people who have learning disabilities and who have experience of setting this scheme up in other local areas would be advantageous.

The Keeping Safe Group are also keen to roll this safe place scheme out to all Partnership Boards so that everyone benefits from the scheme.

Dignity in Care workshops

Talkback and a member of the Peoples Working Group in Burnham have now completed the Dignity in Care workshops and will be indentifying how these issues can be championed throughout all aspects of care and support.

Key Priorities

At the last meeting in August 2012 the Board discussed other priority areas for the new updated workplan.

The Board identified issues and concerns around Housing -

- The right property for the right person,
- Housing benefit,
- Sheltered Housing Schemes

These issues will be added to the new work plan for the next year. A new Service and Activity Housing Group will be set up to look at the key issues to focus on.

Issues around BME were also indentified and these were around personal safety, hate crime and being encouraged to speak up about things that are important to you. This work needs to be included in the service and activity groups rather than a separate group on its own.
