

Title:	Improving Physical Health Outcomes for patients with Serious Mental Illness Outcomes and progress in Buckinghamshire
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## **Purpose of this report:**

To provide the Health and Wellbeing Board with an update on improving physical health outcomes for patients with serious mental illness and what more can be done to provide support and raise awareness in Buckinghamshire.

## Background to the item:

Mental health has been a key priority for the Board since the refresh of the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy in 2016. The Board held a successful themed workshop session on mental health in January 2017 and has received regular updates and progress on mental health priorities, including a focus on mental health indicators in the development of the Health and Wellbeing Board performance dashboard at the 2018 May meeting.

At the Health and Wellbeing Board meeting in December 2018 the Board rationalised the Health and Wellbeing Board Performance Dashboard indicators from 73 to 26 to focus on indicators the board agreed were more aligned to the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy priorities, which required focus and partners could contribute to. However, the board wanted to make sure that there were still regular updates on those indicators which had previously raised concern. When discussing the excess under 75 mortality rate in adults with serious mental illness, the Board was advised that, whilst Buckinghamshire benchmarked favourably with CIPFA peers, people were still dying unnecessarily and the board requested that a focus on improving the physical health outcomes for patients with a serious mental illness and what more can be done in Buckinghamshire be discussed at a future meeting.

## **Recommendation for the Health and Wellbeing Board:**

- The Health and Wellbeing Board is requested to note the presentation and update at the meeting.
- Members of the Health and Wellbeing Board are requested to identify how their organisations can contribute to and support improving the physical health outcomes for patients with serious mental health illness and raise awareness in Buckinghamshire.



## **Background documents:**

HWB Performance Dashboard: <a href="https://www.buckscc.gov.uk/media/4513993/hwb-dashboard-16-apr-2018.pdf">https://www.buckscc.gov.uk/media/4513993/hwb-dashboard-16-apr-2018.pdf</a>

It should be noted that currently the indicators that Public Health England have for Serious Mental Illness are out of date (e.g. are for 2014/15). The public health team are continuing to monitor the progress of Public Health England's Serious Mental Illness benchmarking and will identify a suitable indicator for the Health and Wellbeing Board dashboard as soon as one is available