



Executive Partnership Board

Report

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The following is an update of the position and work of the Mental Health Partnership Board (MHPB) to date.

Background

The MHPB has undergone recent changes over the past twelve months. Previously the MHPB was the Local Implementation Team for the mental health national service framework until the end of the ten-year national strategy. This remit ended after the ten-year strategy and the MHPB has been re-forming to take into account the new national strategy and the recent release of the national mental health Implementation Framework.

Recent developments

1. The MHPB, through local Joint Commissioning Officers, has worked alongside the Service User and Carer Organisation (SUCO) to look at the most appropriate way to include the representation of service users on the MHPB in the future. Further work is required to ensure that the 'service user voice' is included whilst keeping service users safely involved in any strategic work.

2. The next MHPB, on Wednesday 19 September 2012, will focus its attention on bringing together local provider organisations, both statutory and third sector, in detailed discussions of the development and performance monitoring of services in the county. It is anticipated that this will result in the setting up of a provider forum and representation at future MHPBs in order to properly engage service providers in local strategy and commissioning.
3. Commissioning officers have been active in discussions with the Strategic Health Authority and the emerging local Clinical Commissioning Groups (both Chiltern CCG and Aylesbury Vale CCG) to align local mental commissioning plans with those contained in the national implementation framework
4. Within the local MHPB, we will need to reflect the vision for change in the national implementation framework, demonstrating the following six main objectives:
 - a) more people will have good mental health
 - b) more people with mental health problems will recover
 - c) more people with mental health problems will have good physical health
 - d) more people will have a positive experience of care and support
 - e) fewer people will suffer avoidable harm
 - f) fewer people will experience stigma and discrimination
5. The six main objectives will form the broad local framework, under which will sit local actions and developments for Buckinghamshire.
6. Although these will be reviewed and developed over time, local commissioning actions will include:
 - Implementation of the Payment by Results regime, including care package descriptions and costing, cluster specifications and patients reviews
 - Review of current community mental health service make-up - to include CMHTs, Assertive Outreach, Crisis and Home Treatment and Early Intervention

- Clinical pathway configuration
- Aftercare under Section 117 Mental Health Act
- The build of the new Manor House psychiatric hospital in Aylesbury
- In-reach into Acute Hospitals - psychiatric liaison services
- Links to and development of primary care mental health services
- Contracting issues and timeline for working on service change/developments for Forensic, CAMHS and Eating Disorder services and relationships with Specialised Commissioning

