Oxfordshire Health and Wellbeing Board – 13 November 2014

Reports from Partnership Boards Older People's Joint Management Group

The Older People's Joint Management Group is now responsible for the priorities relating to adults in the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy, including those which cut across service areas and client groups, and reporting progress to the Health and Wellbeing Board. The terms of reference of the Older People's Joint Management Group is being revised to reflect this.

The discussions at the Older People's Joint Management Group meeting on 30 September are summarised below:

The Older People's Programme Highlights Report

Discussions focused on integrated locality working and dementia. In order to improve the performance of locality working, the Oxfordshire Clinical Commissioning Group has appointed a new Programme Director for Integrated Teams and a workshop is being organised to agree the vision for integration, and to scope out the project and the milestones for implementation. A paper providing details on integrated locality working will come to the next meeting.

The Group also agreed to start reviewing the existing services for people with dementia and their families and friends, and what the council needs to do to improve the services. More details on sign-up of the dementia Awareness/Dementia-Friendly Communities will be reported back to the Older People's Joint Management Group.

Performance Report

The performance report provides an update on the Health and Wellbeing priorities for adults and for integration, including the Better Care Fund measures. The discussions focused on a number of key areas:

- High levels of delayed transfers of care, particularly relating to people needing on-going health care or support or care to recover independence ('Reablement') (currently 20% over target)
- The number of emergency admissions to hospital is 4% higher than last year and 5% higher than the same period last year; the Better Care Fund target is a 3.5% reduction (in a context of an increase in population over 60 and increased expectations of services)
- The low level of people being referred to Reablement from community settings - not from hospital (target 5 per day; activity 2.3 per day)

People waiting for assessment for social work and occupational therapy

The actions in place to address these issues were reported, including

- Revised weekly urgent care summits looking at the top 3 reasons for delays across partner organisations
- A new Age UK project supporting people to consider their options for support and care, aiming for a decrease in choice delays (funded through Social Investment Business Group and matched by the Clinical Commissioning Group)
- Promotion of reablement services with GPs and via the Council's Social and Healthcare team (Customer Services)
- Integration of Oxford Health's community teams allowing better oversight of referrals

Finance Report

The Joint Management Group approved the overall forecast outturn position for the Older People's and Equipment Pool with an overspend of £1.428m against a total budget of £183.476m. This is a variation of 0.78%.

Councillor Mrs Judith Heathcoat

Chairman

Older People Joint Management Group

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