

Title: Update Report – Public Health

Wards Affected: All

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1. Achievements since last meeting

1.1 Lifestyle service

Stakeholder event – 1.05.14

The aim of the event was to give people an opportunity to help design the future lifestyles service for adults and children and comment on what specific services should look like for the following;

- Healthy eating including weight management, diet and nutrition
- Physical activity
- Stop smoking
- The promotion of drinking alcohol within recommended limits
- Mental health and wellbeing

Approximately 50 people came to the event which was the first step in the consultation of the future of the lifestyles service.

Lifestyles service consultation

The Lifestyles consultation commenced on 24th May 2011 and is open until 11th June 2014. Collation of all responses will be completed by 11th July 2014. This will be shared with the CCG and Devon Public Health.

Future commissioning for 1st April 2016 will incorporate the learning from this as well as learning from the CCG consultations that have taken place

1.2 Alcohol Harm summit – 6.05.14

The ICO led alcohol summit took place on 6th May 2014 with Public Health supporting the event.

The focus of the event was on alcohol treatment for dependency, the management of alcohol withdrawal and discharge planning in acute hospital setting and on alcohol screening and changing drinking behaviours of 'at risk' drinkers.

The aim of the day was part of the multi-agency response to our high rates of alcohol admissions. It is hoped that, as a result, services will change in order to reduce bed-days and improve the patient experience for alcohol dependent individuals who are admitted to Torbay Hospital.

1.3 Work on the Determinants of Health.

We were joined on 1st May by a locum consultant who will work with the Head of Community Safety to draw up a prioritised workplan to address the determinants of health building on the many areas of work already underway. This will begin with an audit of what is already happening. A specific piece of work will be done on healthy weight.

Complementing this we are also beginning some specific work within Strategic Planning with an aim to ensuring health and well-being are pro-actively considered in planning decisions.

1.4 NHS Core offer

The Public Health team met with CCG colleagues across Devon to review the work to date and begin to identify future priorities. This will inform the work of the team within the CCG over 2014/15.

2. Challenges for the next three months

We plan to work with colleagues in the CCG to developing an integrated "commissioning for prevention" strategy.

We also plan to go ahead with our inter-departmental and inter-organisational work and incorporate as many of our current areas of work as possible into the inter-agency re-design Boards.

We are exploring how we can take forward work in the area of Social Marketing in partnership with colleagues and draw up a joint workplan. We aim to pilot a post to take this forward over a 6 month period.

We have resolved many of our staff capacity issues but continue to have a particular lack of capacity at senior level. Set against the increasing workload resulting from alignment and integration this is preventing us from working at the scale and pace we would like to. Concerns re long-term funding is compounding this. We continue to explore options going forward to resolve this.