

SHCP Mental Health Collaborative Board

Thursday 19th November 2020

Chair's report

Agenda item no:	7			
Purpose	For information <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	For discussion <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	For decision <input type="checkbox"/>	For action <input type="checkbox"/>
Paper summary	<p>This paper provides an update on :</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Additional Funding Opportunities 2. Sector Connector - linking Voluntary and Community Sector Mental Health providers with the Sussex ICS Mental Health Collaborative 3. Meeting with Acute and Primary Care & Community Collaboratives 4. Transforming Care and Learning Disability 5. SE Regional Mental Health and Learning Disability Programme 6. Health Inequalities & ICS BAME Disparity Programme 			
Recommendation	Members of the Board are asked to read the report and ask any questions of the Chair.			
Associated papers	Attachment: Centre for Mental Health (12 Nov 2020) The final report of the Commission for Equality in Mental Health. Available at: https://www.centreformentalhealth.org.uk/publications/mental-health-for-all			
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1. Additional Funding Opportunities

A number of additional funding opportunities have become available in recent weeks and the Programme has been working on submitting transformation funding bids for Community Mental Health and Crisis Alternatives.

1.1 Community Transformation Funding:

The system are in the process of collating and submitting our Community transformation bid for submission on 18th November. It is of note that this not a competitive process between ICS's, and that funding will be provided for 2021/22, 2022/23 & 2023/24 subject to high-quality plans and investing baseline funding uplifts for CMH Transformation. It is anticipated that in 2021/22 the additional finding will be in the region of £3m. As part of this bid the system will be expected to describe:

- How we will build on progress made to date and refine their new models to fulfil LTP ambitions, the CMH Framework vision, and the expectations set out in this guidance document
- How we will use 2021/22 to address any concerns raised by regional and national teams, as well as learning gained through the nationally commissioned King's Fund site support offer
- How we will use this funding to expand geographical coverage of their new models
- How this expansion will further increase access and improve quality for people in need of services, as evidenced through outcomes measurement
- How we will use this funding to begin, or continue, to address the dedicated focus areas of specific groups i.e. AED, 'PD', MH rehab
- How we will do more to focus on the needs of specific age groups e.g. older adults
- How we will draw on specific learning about recruitment and staffing to inform planned spend of 2021/22 funding on new staff
- How we will use this funding to further build VCSE sector capacity within their footprints, including creating or expanding alliance models
- How we will improve integrated working with all local partners, including PCNs and local authorities
- How we will develop specific plans to do more to advance MH equalities;
- How we will use intelligence, feedback and further engagement opportunities with patients, families, carers and communities to build on their existing new models.

1.2 Crisis Alternatives Transformation Funding:

An opportunity to bid for transformation funding to support the development of crisis alternatives until 2023/24 have been invited by the regional team. The submission date is 18th November and is expected to cover:

- Building on crisis alternatives developed in the ICS crisis pathways
- VCSE involvement
- Focus on priority inequality cohorts
- Peer Support Worker development, and;
- Test and improve methods of collecting patient experience data

1.3 Workforce resilience hub

Additional funding has been awarded to support staff mental health. Nationally, an additional £8m will be invested in mental health and wellbeing hubs nationally to ensure all STP/ICSs have sufficient staff support. It is intended that these hubs are in place ahead of winter. The national team require all ICSs/STPs to establish a mental health and wellbeing hub in line with national guidance with all hubs providing the core functions of:

- Proactive Outreach and engagement
- Providing clinical assessment
- Care coordination and onward referral to evidence based treatment and support
- Bids need to be submitted on 9th November.

1.4 Winter Funding:

The system have been successful in obtaining £600k worth of non-recurrent winter funding to support the introduction of schemes over the winter period.

2. Sector Connector - linking Voluntary and Community Sector Mental Health providers with the Sussex ICS Mental Health Collaborative

Register for the Sector Connector Forum: 3rd December 20 10.00am at <https://www.healthwatchbrightonandhove.co.uk/sector-connector>.

Presentations at Sector Connector from:

- Nathan Hayes, Thinking Well, "How a voluntary sector MH services adapted to digital working, during COVID"
- Beth Lawton, Chief Digital Officer SPFT, "The Digital Response to COVID, SPFT"
- Dr Lester Coleman, Healthwatch B&H, "Preferences for digital solutions in COVID"

Three Sector Connector Forums - East & West Sussex, Brighton and Hove, first meetings held in July to establish them as a regular event.

A plan for next year has been agreed, featuring:

- December 20 - Digital and remote working in Mental Health
- February 2021: ICS and NHS financial investment and planning in Mental Health
- April 2020: Foundations for our Future – Sussex wide review C&YP's MH & Wellbeing Services, recommendations and implementation
- July 2020: Community Mental Health Services for the future, Primary Care Networks, Community provision, Health inequalities

Adam Doyle has asked the ICS and Voluntary Sector to help plan next steps in digital consultation development - Sector Connector aims to help co-design those next steps.

Learning on digital consultations in Mental Health, see evidence library at <https://www.healthwatchbrightonandhove.co.uk/sector-connector>

Recommendations from Healthwatch in Sussex to Sector Connector and the MH Collaborative:

- Reduce the number of people who delay treatment during the pandemic
- Install a hybrid model of digital and face to face services for health and social care

- Increase the take up of digital solutions for health and social care - those providing services and service users
- Encourage men to seek mental health support to break down the perceived stigma and reluctance to open up about mental health issues
- Further work to tackle health inequalities in digital working and to co-design services with providers and users

3. Meeting with Acute and Primary Care & Community Collaboratives

The next meeting of the Acute and Primary Care & Community Collaborative will be in December. If there are any specific issues the Board wishes to raise please do get in touch with me. I will be discussing the recent Care Quality Commission guidance on mental health in Acute Trusts with the Acute Collaborative and updating the Community and Primary Care Collaborative on our community transformation bids.

4. Transforming Care and Learning Disability

I am proposing to incorporate the work of Transforming Care and Learning Disability in to the Collaborative. This will need some further work but I wish to gain agreement in principle to support this and to bring back a proposal for sign off to our next Board meeting.

5. South East Regional Mental Health and Learning Disability Programme

CAMHS Tier 4 services remain subject to significant pressure across the Region. We are attending a regional summit on this issue with other NHS and Local Authority partners to identify what further steps we can take together to address this.

The ICS attended a regional adopt and adapt session on how we can improve physical health checks for those with severe mental illness (SMI). The performance across the region is not where it needs to be and this required concerted focus to address. Particularly in light of the inequalities people with SMI experience.

6. Health Inequalities & ICS BAME Disparity Programme

The Centre for Mental Health published a landmark report, "Mental Health for All" this week (https://www.centreformentalhealth.org.uk/sites/default/files/publication/download/CentreforMH_Commission_FinalReport.pdf). I am pleased today we will have a presentation on the work of the BAME Disparity Programme across the ICS. There is excellent work going on and we need to ensure we contribute to and influence it. I am particularly keen to ensure we have a clear set of priorities and actions that relate to mental health inequalities and that we collectively have a good grasp on our population needs.