**West Berkshire Joint Health and Social** 

**Care Learning Disabilities Self-**

**Assessment 2014** 

Report to be considered by:

Title of Report:

Health and Wellbeing Board

**Date of Meeting:** 26<sup>th</sup> March 2015

Forward Plan Ref: N/a

Purpose of Report: To inform the Health and Wellbeing Board about the Joint

Health and Social Care Learning Disabilities Self-

Assessment for West Berkshire

**Recommended Action:** 

Reason for decision to be

taken:

N/A

Other options considered: None

Key background documentation:

None

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#### 1. Context

- 1.1 The Learning Disability Health Self-Assessment began being used in England in 2007/8. It became an important guide for the NHS and Local Authorities helping them to recognise the overall needs, experience and wishes of young people and adults with learning disabilities and their carers. It has made it easier to bring these perspectives into the tasks of determining local commissioning priorities and monitoring services.
- 1.2 The Framework has helped to improve services for young people with learning disability in many parts of the country by raising awareness of their health needs, driving increased health and local authority resources and improving interagency co-ordination. However, the events at Winterbourne View and subsequent investigations have demonstrated there was more to be done. As a result of this, the signatories to Transforming Care and The Concordat agreed to implement a joint health and social care self-assessment framework

## 2. Change in approach

- 2.1 The Joint Health and Social Care Learning Disability Self-Assessment (JHSCSAF) been developed collaboratively by learning disability specialists from the former Strategic Health Authority offices and the Association of Directors of Adult Social Services (ADASS), NHS England and members of the Winterbourne View Joint Improvement Programme Board.
- 2.2 It is intended to support all commissioners (Local Authorities, Clinical Commissioning Groups and NHS England) to have a shared perspective of the services available across the full spectrum of health and social care in local areas in every part of the country.
- 3. Joint Health and Social Care Learning Disabilities Self-Assessment 2014
- 3.1 The framework for 2014 covered three domains:
  - (i) Staying Healthy
  - (ii) Keeping Safe
  - (iii) Living Well
- 3.2 Localities were asked to RAG rate their performance against a set of pre-defined expectations of what should be in place. It also sought information against a further 5 areas including; demographics, cancer screening, wider health, mortality and general health services.
- 3.3 The completed self-assessment is attached at Appendix A for review. The assessment highlights that there is still work to be completed with the overall response showing Amber.
- 3.4 One area has been rated as red under 'Living Well', therefore requiring significant improvement; this is supporting people with learning disability into employment. We don't have a specific service; this gap had already been recognised and has been addressed as part of the new Voluntary Sector Prospectus. It is anticipated that we will be able to evidence improvement next year.

- 3.5 Two areas were rated as green under 'Staying Healthy'; annual health checks generated which are at over 70% and a designated learning disability liaison function in place in an acute setting.
- 3.6 All elements of 'Keeping Safe' have been assessed as amber. Areas covered within this domain include reviews and safeguarding.

## 4. Next Steps

4.1 The feedback will be developed into a joint action plan to address deficits over the coming year.

# **Appendices**

Appendix A – West Berkshire Joint Health and Social Care Self-Assessment 2014

### Consultees

**Local Stakeholders:** 

Officers Consulted: Alison Love

Trade Union: Not applicable