

Progress Report to HOSP on the Portsmouth Health and Social Care Partnership Programme and development for a new model of service for community base rehabilitation.

Introduction

NHS Portsmouth attended HOSP meeting in March 2011 to outline plans for the development of a new model of service for community based rehabilitation and re-ablement services, as well the consultation and engagement undertaken as part of this development. The HOSP noted the plans and requested that the PCT return in 3 months to update on progress of the plans, notably the input and engagement of the consultant geriatricians in the development of the new service model.

Objectives of the HASP Programme for Rehabilitation and Re-ablement Service Redesign

The vision for this programme is to build a Health and Social Care system in Portsmouth City that supports people to develop and implement their own plans for health and well-being. This will be delivered through focussed community support that seeks to avoid referral to institutional care and safely reduce the length of any care away from home, in line with national benchmarks. The re-design of current rehabilitation and re-ablement bedded units involves the decommissioning of Ward D1, and putting in place an enhanced community team, along with bedded units in St Mary's Hospital and Portsmouth City Council's 'Four Sites' project.

Progress since March 2011

- The integrated rehabilitation and re-ablement team is now well established since its establishment in February 2011. Team development is ongoing to support culture change and greater understanding of different roles and responsibilities. Discussions are underway regarding the leadership and management structures required to support integration and regarding the establishment of a formal section 75 agreement between Portsmouth City Council and Solent NHS Trust for the pooled funding delivery arrangements to support integration and single service delivery.
- The operational model and staffing levels, including specialist medical support, for the new inpatient unit due to be based on the St Mary's site have been reviewed and revised costs submitted. In addition any costs of de-commissioning D1 have been reviewed and included in the revised business case. This business case was approved by the PCT's Strategic Programme Committee on 24 May 2011. The Committee approved the re-investment proposed for delivery of the new model and that notice should be given to D1. The Contracting Team will now issue formal notice to PHT to de-commission the service.

- A task and finish group of the HASP Steering Group is being established to continue to develop the service specification and operational policy for the new unit and community team, prior to the establishment of the unit and full implementation of the model in 2012. In addition key performance indicators and contractual mechanisms are being reviewed to minimise any risk of increased length of stay for a small cohort of the most complex patients who are currently receive care on D1.
- Discussions have taken place and a further meeting has been arranged with South East Hampshire commissioners to review the wider model of specialist rehabilitation services as part of the acute pathway across the area.

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