

Newcastle CAMHS Partnership

Minutes of meeting on 4 April 2008

Present

Aileen Fitzgerald	Commissioner for Children & Families Health Services, NHS North of Tyne
Andy Roberts	Local Authority Be Healthy Lead
Dr David Ward	Consultant Psychiatrist Newcastle, CAMHS and Early Intervention in Psychosis Service
Jan Cole	Senior Manager, Newcastle CAMHS
Jacqui Sirs	Assistant Director Children's Services, Barnardo's
Gill Shapero	Clinical Nurse Lead Children & Families, Newcastle Primary Care Trust
Ally Robson	KTP Associate, Newcastle University

1. Apologies

Caroline Wills	Speech & Language Therapy Manager, Community Team for Learning Disabilities (CTLD)
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Part 1: PBMA Steering Group

Ally distributed a paper outlining each of the proposals, the benefit scores that they had achieved and the order of priority given by the young people and the Stakeholder Group. Also circulated was the additional information supplied from Streetwise and West End Youth Enquiry Service in support of the validation process. Following in-depth discussion the members confirmed the proposals in order of priority. It was recognised that the proposals form an agenda for service improvement as resources were not available for immediate investment. The process of prioritisation and the transparency with which these decisions have been reached, form a firm foundation for future dialogue locally or with national funding bodies when opportunities for service development arise.

- Action:**
- 1) Take to next Child Health Commissioning Group (CHCG) as planned (AF)**
 - 2) Prepare a paper outlining the lessons learnt (Ally Robson)**
 - 3) Prepare a document to inform the PBMA process for 08/09 (Ally to support this)**
 - 4) Communicate outcome to people involved**
 - Young people (Nick Bereton)**
 - Stakeholders (Ally/Andy)**
 - Those submitting proposals (Ally/Andy/Aileen)**
 - 5) Put summary in Children's Services newsletter (AR)**
 - 6) Take to Children & Young People's Strategic Partnership (C&YPSP) in May (AF)**

Ally was thanked for his commitment and hard work in helping with us with the project. It was acknowledged that progress would not have been made without his input.

The second draft of the needs assessment was circulated. On discussion it is suggested that the mental health needs of young carers are included in the needs assessment. It was also noted that the section relating to locality CAMHS staffing requires further work. Overall the meeting felt this was an excellent document and expressed thanks to Val Corris for pulling it together.

- Action:**
- 1) Comments to Aileen by 25th April (All)**
 - 2) Amend staffing list by 25th April (JC)**
 - 3) Prepare final draft for next meeting (AF)**

Part 2: Business Meeting

2. Notes of the previous meeting

These were agreed as correct with the amendment of the job titles of Andy Roberts and Pat Thompson to read Local Authority Be Healthy Lead and CAMHS Social Care Co-ordinator Newcastle City Council.

3. Matters Arising

3.1 Northumberland Tyne & Wear (NTW) CAMHS Information Leaflets

Action: Agenda for May meeting (AF/JC)

3.2 Action plan to address Pushed into the Shadows

Action: Circulate to members of the group (AF/LMc)

4. Mental Health Promotion in Schools

It was agreed that a proposal would be made for submission in the next round which will include up to 55 pathfinder sites. It was suggested that a list of people currently involved in this agenda be collated and brought to the next meeting.

Action:

- 1) Request a representative from the Stakeholders Group to take part in this meeting (JS)**
- 2) Discuss with locality managers (AR)**
- 3) Liaise with Northumberland who are a pathfinder site (AR)**
- 4) Agenda for next meeting to confirm Project Development Group (AF)**

5. Mental Health Services for Deaf Children

Action: Discuss at May meeting (AF/JC)

6. Improving Outcomes Plan

Andy circulated the document that will be used to update the Newcastle Children's Plan and also inform the Annual Performance Assessment for children's services. Existing and potential outcome measures were discussed. It was also noted that much of the information requested was already included in the needs assessment, the self assessment matrix, the commissioning intentions document and within the PBMA.

- Action:** 1) Pull information together to complete the improving outcomes plan (AR)
2) prepare first draft of local CAMHS strategy update for June (AF)

7. Tier 4 update

Aileen circulated the typed up strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats (SWOT) work that had been completed at the away day on 2nd April. Also included were the list of opportunities that were identified by all PCO Local Authority areas from North and South of Tyne on the day and a list of questions for the Partnership to answer. Members were reminded that this work is undertaken to complement the re-design of the Tier 4 CAMHS services. Members are asked to prioritise areas of work that came out of this discussion, identify what difference this will make, consider anything that has not been included and decide which services need to be delivered locally, North of Tyne, across North and South of Tyne or regionally.

- Action: Feedback by email to Aileen by 24th April (All)**

The Joint Commissioning meeting on 25th April will then produce a draft service model which will form the basis of further refinement at the next Professional Partnership which will be held in May.

8. Any other business

- 8.1 David Ward informed the group that he had been told that funding was available for community development workers to help BME communities access local services. It was understood that this funding had gone through to PCTs.

- Action: Explore funding (AF)**

8.2 Letter from Angela Robinson

Andy shared a letter from Angela outlining her disappointment at the cessation of funding for the clinical nurse leader post. Members were reminded that this decision had been taken by this partnership some time ago and six months notice had been given to the trust. It was

noted that the contribution made by this post in helping us to move forward the development of CAMHS services in Newcastle was considerable, and its success can be measured by the fact that this work was no longer project based but part of mainstream provision.

8.3 Health Input to Youth Offending Team (YOT)

Gill Shapero informed the group that the YOT is currently looking at how to better meet the physical health needs of the children and young people within their service. This links to CAMHS as this will include children and young people with Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD). A business case is under preparation. On discussion it was agreed that it should go to the Child Health Commissioning Group (CHCG).

9. Date and time of next meeting

Friday 2 May, 12 – 2 pm, Benton House
Apologies – Gill Shapero.