

# **Child Health Commissioning Group (Be Healthy Lead Partnership)**

## **Notes of meeting held on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> November 2008**

### **Present**

Jan Brown  
Andy Roberts  
Pat Thompson

Aileen Fitzgerald  
Susan Nelson

Ruth Rogan  
Karen Simmonds

In Attendance  
Di Robertson

### **1. Apologies**

David Ward  
Linda Mason  
Jane Johnson  
Danny Ruta  
Maxine Adams

### **2. Notes of the previous meeting**

These were agreed as a true record with the exception that Ruth Rogan had offered her apologies and was not present at the meeting.

### **3. Matters Arising:**

#### **3.1 Key Worker Pilot**

**Outstanding action: Explore NMET funding to implement training contact Jill Prendergast (AF)**

#### **3.2 Leadership and Partnerships**

**Outstanding action: Check room booking for extended meeting and inform members (AF/MA)**

### **3.3 Child Health Promotion Programme**

**Outstanding action: Request update from Trevor White on the Practice Based Commissioning Review of Community Nursing in Newcastle (AF)**

The priorities within the Directorate of Community Services Contact were also discussed and it was agreed that Jane Johnson be asked for an update for next month's meeting.

**Action: Agenda for December (AF/MA)**

### **3.4 CAMHS Strategy**

The CAMHS Strategy was ratified by the Children & Young People's Strategic Partnership Executive in September.

### **3.5 CAMHS Tier 4 Update**

Aileen reported that an outline business case was being prepared for the development of the community based specialist Tier 4 services and will be presented via the Director's of Commissioning to the Specialised Commissioning Group in November. The document outlining the proposed model is about to be signed off by the North and South of Tyne Joint PCT Local Authority Steering Group and will be shared with this group in January.

### **3.6 NHS North of Tyne 5 Year Strategic Plan**

Aileen reported that work on this document was continuing and the first draft had been submitted to the Strategic Health Authority.

### **3.7 Transporting children with health needs between school and home**

Susan reported that no further problems had been reported but had agreed to continue to monitor the situation and bring back any areas for action by this group as appropriate.

#### 4. **DnA Partnership**

Di Robertson presented an overview of the work of the DnA Partnership, their performance against targets and outlined key issues for further consideration. The Young People's Drug and Alcohol Commissioning Group report to Safe Newcastle Partnership but also report to the Children & Young People's Strategic Partnership Executive. It was agreed to ensure appropriate governance arrangements, the Drug and Alcohol Partnership should report through this group and include reporting arrangements in the Be Healthy Bi Annual Report to the Children & Young People's Strategic Partnership Executive. It was also noted that closer alignment with the CAMHS Partnership on the DnA and the Drug and Alcohol Partnership is required. It was suggested that joint partnership meetings be held twice a year.

**Action: Consider arrangements for Joint Partnership meetings (AR)**

The key issues that were raised from the presentation included:-

- The needs of young people in supported accommodation need to be better addressed.
- Transition arrangements are essential as is the need to work with 18-24 year olds.
- Links with YOT workers is essential.

#### 5. **Joint Strategic Needs Assessment**

Andy presented an overview of this process and shared the draft recommendations with the group.

**Action : Comments to Andy by 27<sup>th</sup> November (All)**

**Action: Agenda for February 09 (AF/MA)**

The group felt that while the overview of topic areas was useful, there was a need to make sure that these fit with other key documents such as the NHS Strategic Plan, Local Area Agreements, action plans within each of the defined topic areas. While specific monitoring processes will be put in place in relation for the Strategic Needs Assessment, the group advised that care be taken to avoid duplication as this could lead to confusion and increased complexity.

## **6. High Care Needs Report**

Pat Thompson tabled a report on the Section 31a Agreement. She reported that the High Care Needs process was working well and as at 30<sup>th</sup> September 2008 the predicated year-end position on the pooled budget is expected to be in balance. Pat reported that work exploring joint funding protocols continues and a report will be presented at the next meeting.

**Action: Agenda for December (AF/MA)**

## **7. Any other business**

### **7.1 Unaccompanied Minors**

Karen Simmonds reported that a regional event around special authorities for unaccompanied minors had been held. It is thought that a Tyne and Wear venture may now be developed. Funding is available to set the bid up and the deadline is March. Karen will keep this group updated on progress.

### **7.2 NHS North of Tyne Child Health Review**

Aileen reported that this was part of 6 service reviews that had been identified for action by the NHS North of Tyne Board. It has been agreed that services for children with complex health needs and life limiting illness had been identified as an area for applying the programme budgeting marginal analysis approach. The work has just commenced and the group will be involved at appropriate junctures. The group felt that this was a very useful area of service to explore in depth as needs are increasing.

### **7.3 Continuing Care Consultation**

A joint local authority and PCT response is being prepared and will be brought to the next meeting.

**Action: Agenda for December (AF/MA)**

### **7.4 Safety Equipment**

Aileen reported that Your Homes Newcastle had requested an increase of the PCT's contribution to the safety equipment service from £9,000 to £22,500. The group agreed that a full evaluation of the impact of the service is required.

**Action: Liaise with Jason Wiley at Your Homes Newcastle (AF)**

**7.5 National Institute for Clinical Excellence (NICE)**

Andy reported that NICE had sent a letter to Catherine Fitt explaining that they were planning to extend their remit by offering support to local authorities. They also plan to visit Overview and Scrutiny Committee's.

**Action: Meet with NICE officer (AR)**

**7.6 Healthy Schools**

It was reported that Healthy Schools have a quality assurance group. This partnership needs to have updates on the performance regarding Healthy School status. The group agreed that the Healthy Schools Quality Assurance Group will report directly to CHCG.

**8. Date and time of next meeting**

11<sup>th</sup> December 2008, 3.00-5.00, Benfield Road, Room 3