

# Newcastle CAMHS Partnership

## Minutes of meeting on 6 June 2008

### Present

Pat Thompson	Manager Children with Disabilities
Andy Roberts	Local Authority Be Healthy Lead
Jacqui Sirs	Assistant Director Children's Services, Barnardo's
Gill Shapero	Clinical Nurse Lead Children & Families, Newcastle Primary Care Trust
Caroline Wills	Speech & Language Therapy Manager, Community Team for Learning Disabilities (CTLD)
Dr David Ward	Consultant Psychiatrist Newcastle, CAMHS and Early Intervention in Psychosis Service
Jan Cole	Senior Manager, Newcastle CAMHS

### Part 1: Business Meeting

#### 1. Apologies

Aileen Fitzgerald	Commissioner for Children & Family Health Services, NHS North of Tyne
Linda Mason	Head of Inclusion, Newcastle City Council

#### 2. Notes from previous meeting

These were agreed as a true record with the following amendment -  
Page 2 – last paragraph, amend 'gas' to read 'has'.

#### 3. Matters arising

##### 3.1 PBMA

It was reported that the Government are promoting Participatory budgeting and it was queried how does this fit with PBMA? The needs assessment should be linked to Adult Services. This may be achieved through Think Families and Transition. Andy described the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment.

### **3.2 Mental Health promotion in schools**

Andy went to the Voluntary Sector Group and has asked for a representative from the group to join the Targeted Mental Health in schools bid team. There are going to be 3 head teachers and Mick Dunn. Discussed current best practice and previous pilots etc..

### **3.3 Funding for Community Development Workers**

David raised the issue of funding for some projects through NRF which have ended because funding ended. Why did this not come through CAMHS Partnership.

**Action: Jaqui will try to get a copy of the bid structure**

Agreed that while the Partnership cannot and would not stop people from bidding for money if they brought it to the partnership, we could endorse it or not, which may help the bid.

All children (15 years) need to know about psychosis. International guidance states all 15 year olds should know about psychosis. Research suggests 99.1% of adults have a psychotic experience in the last year. We need to help people understand this.

EIP in the North East are developing a website and posters. We should use all the media available including City Life etc.

**Action: David to bring this back when it's further developed.**

Aileen looked into funding for community development workers and there is not any.

We still need to address Delivering Racial Equality agenda.

**Action: Caroline and Jan to send information re DRE to Louise for distribution to Partnership for discussion at next meeting.**

We will be completing individual responses to the National CAMHS review.

## **4. Mental Health Services for deaf children**

JC is meeting with National Director for Deaf Children's Services to look at CAMHS for deaf children in the North East. York would become a hub and Newcastle/Tees/Esk would be developed as a good practice centre. Currently access and equity is an issue for that group of children.

**Action: JC to report back July 2008**

## **5. NTW Trust Information Leaflets**

NTW Information leaflets – to go to CAMHS reference group. The leaflets will be reviewed in six months.

## **6. CAMHS Strategy**

We have the Needs assessment PBMA, Position statement and these need to be transformed into the strategy using the format from CYPSP.

**Action: Andy to add an hour to the next partnership to begin the development of the strategy.**

APA Self Assessment. We went through the current draft and made amendments.

## **7. Any Other Business**

- Invite Sue Nelson to next meeting to discuss the eating disorder pathway. (Aileen, have we invited NUTH on to the CAMHS Partnership?)
- Do we fund Investing in Children? Andy to check.
- Education Psychologists are having an annual study day. Caroline to send details to Louise for distribution.
- Group of SALT in NTW looking to arrange a conference around communication difficulties and the Criminal Justice System.

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

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July, 12.00-2.00, Benfield Road, Room 3