

Stockport Primary Care Trust

Stockport Managed Care Commissioning

Briefing note to Stockport Council Health Scrutiny Committee

Practice Based Commissioning – Progress on Implementation in Stockport

I PRACTICE BASED COMMISSIONING (PBC)

- 1.1.1 Practice Based Commissioning enables GP's and Primary care clinician teams to hold 'indicative' budgets so that they understand the funding available for their registered patients, receive information on how well they are using this money – through usage of hospital and community service, prescribing etc. Clinicians are provided with benchmarks and comparators across each other and nationally to identify areas where quality of care & value for money could be improved, by providing care more quickly & closer to home and anticipating care needs better so that patients that don't need hospital care get services in the community wrapped around their needs. Clinicians will also use information about national & international evidence based care, patient views and experience information, and the value for money information to lead commissioning of service improvement, and design better services to improve the outcomes the NHS achieves for patients .

2 OUR APPROACH IN STOCKPORT

- 2.1.1 Stockport PCT therefore has enabled PBC in Stockport to develop to take up this leadership role and support the PCT in its commissioning activity. PBC is about driving better value, and ensuring services are delivered in the right place, at the right time and to the highest quality possible.
- 2.1.2 The PCT focuses on delivering long term health improvement through working in partnership with a wide range of stakeholders, through joint strategies, commissioning plans as well as ensuring that there is a thriving health and social care market.
- 2.1.3 Stockport GP's have elected to come together under a new collaborative social enterprise 'Stockport Managed Care Commissioning'(SMCC) This is a company which has charitable status and with clear public aims and objectives to improve health and improve commissioning through information, education, training and developing agreed pathways of care or initiatives to shift care to the community. All GP's in Stockport have joined this new company as Members – representing 54 practices, and as they join they sign up to agree to follow the rules of membership, which includes : attending training, following agreed new pathways or using new community based services, promoting anticipatory care and promoting health improvement.
- 2.1.4 SMCC Board comprises elected GP members (6), Management Execs (2), Social Services (1) Non Executive (1)(initially 12months tenure)
- 2.1.5 The PCT has seconded staff into a new team (and recruited new staff) to support the GP's in this enterprise. The staff include a) Medicines Management b) service design team c) education and performance d) referral management and choice e) public health

- 2.1.6 An agreement is drawn up each year between the PCT and SMCC which outlines what is expected from this new team working with GP's and what is expected from the PCT. In this way all parties are clear on their roles and responsibilities.

3 OBJECTIVES FOR PBC 07-8

- 3.1.1 As this is the first year for this collaborative approach there was a recognition in our local agreement that new systems needed to be established – these included
- Developing training strategy
 - Developing information systems for GP's
 - Establishing governance between the new board and members
 - Communications strategy and performance
- 3.1.2 In addition to these new systems the team are expected to lead on a number of service reviews and service redesign areas which have been jointly agreed between the PCT and SMCC based on evidence and opportunity to improve. These include
- Service review on Cardiology services
 - Service review on District Nursing
 - Development of pathways for community based Diagnostics and Assessment/treatment services
 - Piloting new chronic disease management services such as Active Case Management and Coaching
 - Use of statins
 - Delivery of efficiency savings for reinvestment into new community services
- 3.1.3 SMCC report into the PCT Professional Executive Committee every 3 months or so with an update on these programmes. If there is a business case for investment or service change this is formally approved via PCT Governance systems.
- 3.1.4 2008-9 will be a year where SMCC consolidates and develops on the newly appointed team and drives forward Long Term Conditions management and managing patients to meet 18 weeks targets in particular

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