

Health and Wellbeing Board 6 September 2017

Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment Update

Recommendations

1. That the Board notes the update and progress on the Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (PNA).
2. That the Board authorises the Health and Wellbeing Board's Sub-Committee to sign off the final report.

1.0 Key Issues

1.1 Background

- 1.2 The Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (PNA) is an assessment of the pharmaceutical services that are currently provided in Warwickshire including dispensing of prescriptions by community pharmacies, dispensing GPs and other providers, as well as other services available from community pharmacies.
- 1.3 The Health and Social Care Act 2012 transferred responsibility for the development and updating of the PNA from Primary Care Trusts to HWBs.
- 1.4 The NHS regulations of April 2013 state that each HWB must have produced their first PNA no later than 1st April 2015. After publication, each HWB must publish a statement of its revised assessment within 3 years of its previous. Therefore, the second PNA should be published no later than 24th March 2018.

1.5 Producing a second PNA

- 1.6 The process of producing a PNA takes around 12 months and involves a period of consultation, concluding with board level sign off.
- 1.7 To maximise the resources available and align with local planning footprints, Warwickshire and Coventry are working together to produce their 2018 PNA's.
- 1.8 Following a competitive tender process led by Coventry City Council, Midlands and Lancashire CSU have been commissioned to deliver the project on behalf of the two authorities.

- 1.9 A multi-disciplinary steering group has been established to provide support and leadership to the CSU in the delivery of the project. This group includes representation from both Coventry and Warwickshire Councils, NHS England, Healthwatch, the Local Pharmaceutical Committee and Local Medical Committee.
- 1.10 In addition to the Statutory requirements of the PNA laid out in NHS Regulations, the plan is to include the role of Healthy Living pharmacies and future role for pharmacies in STP's.
- 1.11 Between July and October the draft of the PNA is being prepared using intelligence from the JSNA and local patient and pharmacy surveys. A link to the documents will be sent to board members as soon as they are available.
- 1.12 The draft PNA is currently scheduled for consultation between 17th November and 5th February 2018.
- 1.13 A final draft will be produced by the end of February 2018.

1.14 Applications for Pharmacies

2.0 Options and Proposal

- 2.1 The Board notes the update on the PNA and the timescales.

3.0 Timescales associated with the decision and next steps

- 3.1 The Board receive an update of the PNA and draft report in January 2018 for discussions, comments and amendments during the consultation period.
- 3.2 The Board approve the sign off of the final report by no later than the 31st March by a sub-committee to meet statutory timescales and deadlines.

Background Papers

None

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