

Agenda Item 5

Lincolnshire Health and Wellbeing Board – 29 September 2015

Announcements from: Cllr Sue Woolley, Chairman of the Lincolnshire Health and Wellbeing Board

Future of Health and Wellbeing Boards

The Local Government Association (LGA) and NHS Clinical Commissioners (NHSCC) published a joint report on the future of Health and Wellbeing Boards at the LGA Annual Conference in June. The report, '[Making it better together](#)', sets out an ambitious vision for health and wellbeing Boards as the system leaders of a place based approach to health and wellbeing. The LGA and NHSCC propose a number of actions that need to be taken at both local and national level.

In my capacity as Chairman of the East Midlands HWB Chair's Network, I will be meeting with all the HWB Chairs over the coming months to get their views on how they would like the regional network to work and to gather their perspectives on the future role of health and wellbeing boards to feed into national policy thinking.

As part of these meetings we will be considering the national support offer and discussing any bespoke support HWBs in the East Midlands may require.

Local authority public health allocations 2015/16: in- year savings consultation

As part of the Government plans to reduce public debt, it announced earlier in the year that it intended to reduce local authority public health allocations by £200m in 2015/16. Over the summer the Government consulted on the technical options for implementing the savings. The consultation asked for views on how local authority's contribution to the savings will be calculated and whether a standard flat rate should be applied or if varied percentages that take into account the different circumstances of local authorities should be used.

A response was sent on behalf of the Lincolnshire Health and Wellbeing Board in support of the Lincolnshire County Council's submission which argued for Option D: *'Reduce every local authority's allocation by a standard percentage unless an authority can show that this would result in particular hardship, taking account of specific criteria set out in the consultation document.'*

NICE Quality Standards Consultation – obesity: prevention and management in adults

On behalf of the Board, I have submitted a formal response to the NICE Quality Standards Consultation – Obesity: prevention and management in adults. The Quality Standard consultation covers public health strategies to prevent overweight and obesity among adults (aged 18 and over), and the delivery of tier 2 weight management interventions.

HSJ and Nursing Times Best Places to Work Awards

I would also like to congratulate South West Lincolnshire CCG for winning the CCG category for the '*Best Places to Work*' in the NHS for 2015 at the recent HSJ and Nursing Times awards. The awards are a celebration of NHS organisations that have worked hard to promote great staff engagement and create an environment where people can enjoy their work.

Healthwatch Lincolnshire receives Highly Commended Award

I am sure the Board will join me in congratulating Healthwatch Lincolnshire on receiving the Highly Commended Award at the national Healthwatch Network Awards of Achievement 2015. The '*Making a Difference through Volunteering*' Award acknowledges the commitment and contribution volunteers continue to make to the work of Healthwatch Lincolnshire. It also recognises the efforts Healthwatch Lincolnshire have taken over the past two years to recruit 60 volunteers.

Supplementary Statement to the 2015 Lincolnshire Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (PNA)

On behalf of the Lincolnshire Health and Wellbeing Board, the PNA Steering Group consider the changes to Lincolnshire needs and provision which may create the need for a supplementary statement to be produced to the 2015 PNA.

The PNA Steering Group met on 1 September 2015 and reviewed applications and changes to pharmacies. It was agreed that there was no changes which required a supplementary statement to the current PNA. The Steering Group also reviewed whether any other issues such as changes in policy or legislation have arisen since the PNA was agreed by the Board in March 2015 and agreed that they have not. The Clinical Pharmacists in General Practice Pilot (new initiative announced by NHS England in June 2015) was discussed and it was agreed to review whether this will require any change to the PNA should any Lincolnshire pilot sites be announced in November 2105.

Informal Health and Wellbeing Board Meetings

Informal Health and Wellbeing Board meeting dates for 2016 have been agreed and you should have all received an electronic appointment. The dates are confirmed as:

- Tuesday 9 February 2016
- Tuesday 3 May 2016
- Tuesday 12 July 2016
- Tuesday 8 November 2016

Can I remind the Board that the Informal meetings provide an important opportunity for us to engage with wider partners and explore specific topics or areas of interest in more depth. The output from these meetings helps to shape our thinking and inform the business of the Board. It is therefore important that Board members or an appropriate substitute attends the Informal Health and Wellbeing Board meetings.

Joint liaison meeting with Healthwatch Lincolnshire and Health Scrutiny Committee for Lincolnshire.

On the 7th September 2015 I met with the Sarah Fletcher, Chief Officer for Healthwatch Lincolnshire and Cllr Christine Talbot, Chairman of the Health Scrutiny Committee for Lincolnshire, to share information and discuss issues of common interest. The meeting proved very useful and we have agreed to meet on a quarterly basis.