

Report to:	Ashford Mental Health Action Group
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Mental Health Work Stream, Ashford CCG

The Mental Health work stream continues to be clinically led. The CCG is ensuring that feedback received at the MHAGs are fed into the Local Operational Meetings (and visa-versa) to ensure that there is a true local flavour. The NHS Ashford CCG Local Operational meeting was held on 15 June 2017 and the next meeting will be on 17 August 2017.

Psychiatric Intensive Care Unit (PICU) and Mental Health (MH) Beds

There are currently no adult patients out of area beds (non-East Kent beds) for both MH beds and PICU.

Plans from KMPT are due in June which will look at the way forward with PICU beds.

The Head of the East Kent Mental Health (EKMH) Commissioning Team continues to meet with the KMPT Assistant Directors for acute and community services to review the current monitoring arrangements.

KMPT hold fortnightly teleconference bed management calls on Friday's with the EKMH Commissioners.

Children and Young Persons Mental Health Service

The new provider for the two new contracts; Eating Disorders and the Children's & Young Persons Mental Health Service will be contacting existing service users, GPs and professionals before a public announcement is made, which is expected shortly.

Early Intervention in Psychosis (EIP)

A business case for EIP has been received and agreed with East Kent CCGs. The mobilisation plan to support the business case will be presented by KMPT shortly, to move the EIP service towards the full NICE compliance by October 2017. The plan includes the recruitment of a dedicated EIP Consultant.

Personality Disorder (PD)

KMPT have submitted a revised PD pathway and it is in the process of being finalised and agreed. Additionally, work is underway to develop primary care peer led groups to support service redesign.

Eating Disorder Service (EDS)

Mobilisation of the new eating disorder service is underway. The new service is beginning on 1 September 2017 with full implementation by April 2018. The winner of the contract will be announced shortly.

New East Kent Substance Misuse Provider

The contract for the East Kent Community Drug and Alcohol Service has been awarded to a new service provider. From 1 May 2017, it has been provided by a partnership of three organisations: RAPT, Nacro and Rethink Mental Illness and is embarking on a 'co-design' consultation process, which is looking at improving the service to meet the needs of both clients and the local community. There are introductory meetings to start the process of understanding the important issues. The meeting in Ashford was held on 21 June 2017 and if anyone is interested in attending future meetings in other geographical areas, please contact eastkent@rapt.org.uk. The postal addresses, fax and telephone numbers for the services will remain the same as they have always been, including the 24 hour emergency line (0300 123 1186). The email address for general enquires and NOT referrals will change to eastkent@rapt.org.uk. From 1st May a new website www.eastkentdrugandalcohol.org.uk was launched. The new referral form has been disseminated to all GP Surgeries. People wishing to self-refer are advised to contact East Kent Community Drug and Alcohol Service, Transport House, Drum Lane, Ashford TN23 1LS. Telephone number 01233 655360.

Local Engagement

The CCG attend the bi-monthly MH Action Group meetings to feed back any concerns to the MH Local Operational meetings.

The CCG continue to meet regularly with the local MHAG Co Chairs, who will be invited to attend the monthly local performance meetings with KMPT in 2017. Moving forward it is planned to replicate this approach with CAMHS service provider, Sussex Partnership Foundation Trust. It is hoped that this will give the transparency and confidence that the CCG is working with the providers to improve the current mental health service provision.

Ashford Commissioning Meeting

Following the EK MH Team engagement workshops – Ashford service users requested to have regular meetings with the EK MH team – these are held at Tesco Extra Community Room, Crooksfoot, TN24 0YE. The previous meeting was held on 12 June 2017. Meeting dates are organised by the East Kent Mental Health Team ekmentalhealth.commissioning@nhs.net future dates to be advised.