

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 17 August 2017 and the next meeting will be on 19 October 2017.

PICU and MH Beds

There are no out of area beds as at 25 August 2017.
 KMPT hold fortnightly teleconference bed management calls on Friday's with the EK MH Commissioners.

Children and Young Persons Mental Health Service (CYPMHS)

The new provider for the two new contracts; Eating Disorders and the Children's & Young Persons Mental Health Service has been procured and is confirmed as North East London Foundation NHS Trust (NELFT), which will commence 1st September 2017. NELFT are currently working with the existing provider SPFT (Sussex Partnership Foundation NHS Trust) to ensure a smooth transition of care for all patients.

Eating Disorder Service (EDS)

Patient transfer is now ongoing to the new provider NELFT. Leaflets and brochures for patients are in development. The service will be called Kent and Medway eating disorder service until service user engagement has concluded. The new service is beginning on 1 September 2017 with full implementation by April 2018.

New East Kent Substance Misuse Provider (as per July report)

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 Canterbury 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, 39 – 41 Wincheap Road, Canterbury CT1 3RX. Telephone: 01227 826400.

Local Engagement

The CCG attend the MH Action Group meetings to feed back any concerns to the MH Local Operational meetings, however the MHAG meetings have been on hold for a while and will re-start in September.

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.

East Kent Mental Health Commissioning Ashford Co-production Meeting; was held on 16 August 2017 at Tesco Extra Community Room (2pm). The above meeting is chaired by Andy Oldfield (EK Mental Health Commissioning Team) and attended by service users and carers to raise any issues they are experiencing and for the EKMHT to share information regarding services that are currently or are going to be commissioned locally.