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Mental Health work stream, Ashford CCG

The Mental Health LOG meetings continue to be clinically led. The CCG ensures that feedback received at the MHAGs are fed into the LOG meetings (and visa-versa) to ensure that there is a true local flavour. The next NHS Ashford CCG LOG meeting will be on 15 February 2018.

PICU and MH Beds

The East Kent situation remains as of the last 12 months with no out of area placements for acute patients and PICU out of area placements are kept to a bare minimum and of a short duration. KMPT hold fortnightly teleconference bed management calls on Friday's with EK MH Commissioners to monitor delayed transfers of care, acute and PICU (Psychiatric Intensive Care Unit beds) out of Kent placements.

Children and Young Persons Mental Health Service (CYPMHS)

The service provider NELFT (North East London Foundation NHS Trust) ended their consultation with staff on 22 December 2017. The consultation was to develop new staff structures and care pathways. Interviews and restructure will commence January/February with the new service beginning on 1st April 2018.

NHS Veterans' Mental Health Complex Treatment Service (VHM CTS)

The new Veterans' Mental Health Complex Treatment Service will be provided by Camden and Islington NHS Foundation Trust (appointed by NHS England).

For further information please email England.south-armedforces@nhs.net

Mother and Infant Mental Health Services (MIMHS)

Kent and Medway NHS and Social Care Partnership Trusts' Specialist Mother and Infant Mental Health Service has received funding to develop its community perinatal mental health service across Kent and Medway with the new service launching on the 1 November 2017.

GPs are able to directly refer patients into this service.

Get Involved: Children and Young Persons Mental Health

Have you have been involved in moving from a Children and Young Persons Mental Health Services into adult services or has your child or the person you care for? Or are you a young person, parent or carer and want to ensure that the move from young person to adult services goes smoothly? We want to hear your views on these services and how we can improve them, to do this we will soon be launching a piece of work to help us to design services for those aged 17 – 24 year olds. Please get involved by competing the survey

here: <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/5L56FBB>

The survey will be open until 26 January 2018 can you please circulate this widely to your networks.

Dual Diagnosis

The Dual Diagnosis (substance misuse & mental health) coproduction redesign project in East Kent is led by the Forward Trust and due to be presented in January 2018.

Alternative Place of Safety

A full report on Alternative Place of Safety workshops held in September and October was disseminated in November 2017. The summary report of these workshops and their findings was presented to the East Kent Care Crisis Concordat meeting in December 2017 and agreed as a way forward, an outline business case is now being developed.

Mental Health and Wellbeing STP Conference – Save the Date

A date for your diaries: The Kent and Medway Sustainability and Transformation Partnership (STP) will be holding a free all day mental health and wellbeing conference on Tuesday 13 March 2018 at the Mercure Maidstone Great Danes Hotel. To register for updates about the STP including the conference or to find out more about the STP in Kent and Medway go to: kentandmedway.nhs.uk