

Scottish Borders Health & Social Care
Integration Joint Board



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CHIEF OFFICER'S REPORT

Purpose of Report:	To inform the Health & Social Care Integration Joint Board (IJB) of the activity undertaken by the Chief Officer since the last meeting.
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Recommendations:	The Health & Social Care Integration Joint Board is asked to: a) Note the report.
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Personnel:	Not Applicable
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Carers:	Not Applicable
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Equalities:	Not Applicable
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Financial:	Not Applicable
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Legal:	Not Applicable
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Risk Implications:	Not Applicable
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Chief Officer Report

Primary Care Improvement Plan (PCIP)

The Primary Care Improvement Plan is on the board's agenda for agreement and is due to be submitted to Scottish Government by the end of August 2018. The preparation of the plan has involved an extensive amount of work and discussion with a large range of stakeholders. It has been taken to the Executive Management Team on 24 July, the GP Sub Committee on 6 August, and the Clinical Executive Strategy Group on the 9th of August, prior to its presentation to the IJB.

Throughout these preparations close consort has been held with Scottish Government and with a range of IJB partners as well as neighbouring Boards. As with all partnerships our plan remains a dynamic one in that it will continue to change as funding is agreed, and as work streams gain more clarity on what will be achievable in each year. The full extent of the plan is to develop services to support the new GP contract and to develop Primary Care as a whole within our communities.

The majority of work involves Community Health Staff and GP practices however there will be an opportunity in the second year to develop specific work in partnership with Council Services through targeted work with link workers across the five localities.

Day of Care Audit

An extensive Day of Care Audit (DOCA) of inpatients in Community Hospitals and BGH wards has been undertaken within all four Community Hospitals and the BGH. This has involved a full multidisciplinary team of clinical and managerial staff reviewing every patient in each of these areas to determine whether the hospital was the correct provision for them and what they would require if they were to be cared for at home.

This exercise is now complete and the results are due to be discussed on 11 September and we expect further papers to the IJB to outline changes required to reduce delays.

Appointments

I am very pleased to say that our IJB Chief Financial Officer, Mike Porteous, started on 6 August on secondment from NHS Lothian.

We have agreed to go to advert for the posts of the Chief Officer and another Group Manager for Adult Social Care. We will be looking to recruit and anticipate having the post filled by the start of December.

Integrated Care Fund (ICF)

A report is being presented to the IJB to seek acceptance of the NHS Borders Board proposed conditions for future applications for the ICF. The report will also outline four IC funding proposals for Crawwood, Hospital to Home, Strata and COPD. Approval will be sought for three of the proposals and the fourth proposal has already been agreed through decision making by NHS Borders Chief Executive, Scottish Borders Council (SBC) Chief Executive, IJB Chair and IJB Vice Chair; therefore is for noting.

Winter Plan

The Winter Planning Board continues to meet on a bi-weekly basis.

The final draft of the Winter Plan will be presented to the NHS Board on 4 October and the IJB on 22 October. We are awaiting communication from Scottish Government, stating the final submission date but expect this to be the end of October. Discussions on preparing for the festive period will be included within the Winter Plan

Regional Work

The last diabetes steering group set out work streams for our work to reduce the number of people with type 2 diabetes. Agreement has been given for the appointment of a Director to lead on this work over the next few years. Appointments will be made this side of Christmas. With T2D taking 10% of the NHS budget, we have high hopes and aspirations that this work will serve to provide improved lives and outcomes for the population but save a significant amount of budget in the process.

Child and Adolescent Mental Health

After years of very good practice in offering timely support for young people requiring support our waiting times increased dramatically towards the end of last year. This was reported within the media. The service which is small in comparison with other partnerships, suffered from an inability to fill posts after the departure of a number of staff, at a time when the recording system was also changed. The result was an unacceptable level of performance over several months. Managers have intervened and additional support has been sourced. An improvement trajectory has been agreed and we expect to return to their normal high standard within the next 5 months. We have already seen improvements in the last month.

Older People's Inspection

The interim Chief Officer for Adult Social Care has reviewed the progress made on the improvement plan and he and I have met with the Care Inspectorate. We are pleased with progress to date but are suggesting some changes as to how we can evidence improvement.

A revised action plan will be brought to the Strategic Planning Group and further reports will be by exception from the Performance and Finance Group which will monitor progress on a six weekly basis.