

Report of: Health Improvement Manager - Children and Families Team / Public Health Contract Officer

Report to: Director of Public Health

Date: 10th October 2016

Subject: Approval to transfer commissioning responsibility and funding for the Infant Mental Health Service from Leeds City Council to Leeds South and East Clinical Commissioning Group under a Section 76 agreement.

Are specific electoral wards affected?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Are there implications for equality and diversity or cohesion and integration?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Is the decision eligible for call-in?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Does the report contain confidential or exempt information? If 'yes', access to information procedure rule number: Appendix number:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

Summary of main issues

1. This report requests the approval to transfer the commission responsibility and associated funding for the Infant Mental Health Service from Leeds City Council to Leeds South and East Clinical Commissioning Group (LSECCG) on behalf of Leeds CCGs under a S76 agreement.
2. The Infant Mental Health Service, which is currently delivered by Leeds Community Healthcare NHS Trust (LCH), will be included within the existing contract held between the LSECCG and LCH by a contract variation from 1st January 2017.
3. The Council will provide an annual funding allocation for the Service, which will be reviewed on an annual basis as the contract responsibilities shift to the LSECCG under a S76 agreement.

Recommendations

4. The Director of Public Health is recommended to

- approve the transfer of the commissioning responsibility and associated funds (as defined in this report) for the Infant Mental Health Service from Leeds City Council to Leeds South and East CCG under a S76 agreement.

1 Purpose of this report

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to request approval to transfer the commissioning responsibility and the associated funds for the Infant Mental Health Service from Leeds City Council to Leeds South and East Clinical Commissioning Group (LSECCG) under a S76 agreement as an annual on-going requirement.

2 Background information

- 2.2 The Infant Mental Health service contract (YORE-9DWHPC) provides for universal, targeted and specialist support for 0-2 year olds and their parents and carers, with the overall aim to increase awareness and improve infant mental health in Leeds.
- 2.3 This contract is currently jointly commissioned by Public Health and Childrens Services, with Childrens Services taking the lead. The funding breakdown for this contract is:

Children's Services:	£30,000 per annum
Public Health	£100,000 per annum
Total Funding:	£130,000 per annum (15/16)

- 2.4 The above contract is due to expire on 31st December 2016 and there is no further extension provision available. From this date, Public Health will take over the commissioning responsibility due to the level of funding provided.
- 2.5 As a direct result of the Public Health grant cuts announced by the Government in 2015, the Public Health Directorate has had to develop a contracts strategy to make these cuts. As a consequence, a 10% cut to the Public Health funding contribution for this service will be made from 1st April 2017. This equates to Public Health contributing £90,000 in 2017/18. Childrens Services have confirmed that they will continue to contribute £30,000 in 2017/18.

3 Main issues

- 3.1 This LCC contract for the Infant Mental Health Service effectively forms part of the wider Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service (CAMHS) services, which is commissioned in Leeds by the LSECCG on behalf of all three Leeds CCGs. In order to have more joined up and cohesive approach to commissioning these children's services, it is proposed to transfer the commissioning responsibly and funding from the Council to the LSECCG under a Section 76 agreement on an annual basis. Once this agreement is in place, LSECCG will undertake a contract variation to their existing block contract with LCH to ensure that the Infant Mental Health service is not disrupted.

4 Corporate considerations

4.1 Consultation and engagement

- 4.1.1 The transfer of this service has been discussed and agreed with Director of Public Health, LSECCG and LCH.

4.2 Equality and diversity, cohesion and integration

- 4.2.1 This transfer will not impact upon any individual, but may potentially lead to improved care pathways for infants and their parents and carers.

4.3 Council policies and the best council plan

- 4.3.1 This service supports:

- Leeds Health and Wellbeing Strategy
- Leeds Children and Young People's Plan
- Leeds Local Transformation Plan for Children and Young People's Mental Health and Wellbeing
- Leeds Best Start Plan

4.4 Resources and value for money

4.4.1 The transfer of the funding of this service to the LSECCG will help ensure efficiencies and value for money within the health system. The levels of funding being transferred from the Council to LSECCG are as follows.

- **1st January 2017 to 31st March 2017**
- Public Health £25,000, Childrens Services £7,500 (£32,500 in total)
- **1st April 2017 to 31st March 2018**
- Public Health £90,000, Childrens Service £30,000 (£120,000 in total)
- **1st April 2018 onwards**
- To be agreed.

4.4.2 As part of the S76 agreement, the Council will continue to receive the contract monitoring information and Public Health specialists will participate within the routine performance monitoring of the Service.

4.5 Legal implications, access to information and call-in

4.5.1 The decision is a significant operational decision and is not subject to call – in. The report does not contain any exempt or confidential information.

4.6 Risk management

4.6.1 If the funding is not transferred to the LSECCG, the responsibility of the commissioning responsibility of the CAMHS services will remain fragmented and may lead to contracts not aligning.

5 Conclusions

5.1 This report requests the approval to transfer the commission responsibility and associated funding for the Infant Mental Health Service from Leeds City Council to LSECCG on behalf of the three Leeds CCGs under a S76 agreement.

5.2 The Infant Mental Health Service, which is currently delivered by LCH, will be included within the block contract held between the LSECCG and LCH by a contract variation from 1st January 2017.

5.3 The Council will provide an annual funding allocation for the Service, which will be reviewed on an annual basis as the contract responsibilities shift to the LSECCG under a S76 agreement.

6 Recommendations

6.1 The Director of Public Health is recommended to

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7. Background documents¹

Section 76 agreement

¹ The background documents listed in this section are available to download from the council's website, unless they contain confidential or exempt information. The list of background documents does not include published works.