

## Statement of the

Scrutiny Board (Adult Social Care)

Dignity in Care

#### Introduction



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- 1. As part of our work programme discussion at the Board meeting in June 2008, we identified 'Dignity in Care' as the subject of a potential scrutiny inquiry and an area that we wanted to examine in more detail
- 2. In order to assess the appropriateness of this subject area and to help start to define the scope of any future inquiry, we asked for a report that outlined Leeds' approach to help ensure the preservation of individuals' dignity across various care settings.
- 3. We were also keen to learn about how the Council had used the Capital Grant money awarded by the government during 2007/08 to support the work in Leeds.

#### **Previous inquiry**

- 4. At our meeting in July 2008, we were advised that during 2006/07, the then Scrutiny Board (Health and Adult Social Care) carried out an inquiry which examined dignity in care for older people.
- 5. We heard that the inquiry was undertaken between November 2006 and March 2007, with a final report and recommendations published in May 2007.
- 6. An initial response was received in July 2007 and is included as Appendix 1 to this report.

7. We were advised that regular progress monitoring had been undertaken between September 2007 and March 2008, at which time the proposed actions were found to have been substantively completed and monitoring was discontinued.

#### **Dignity in Care in Leeds**

- 8. We also received a report which set out the overall approach to dignity and provided an update on the Dignity in Care campaign in Leeds.
- 9. A summary of our views on the information presented is provided in the next section of this report.

#### **Capital Grant Funding**

- 10.A further report detailing the process for selecting and allocating the Capital Grant money awarded to the Council by the Government for 2007/2008 was also presented at our July 2008 meeting.
- 11. This included a schedule setting out the care homes in which the grant has been used, alongside a number of illustrations showing some of the improvements which have been made as a result.
- 12. Details of our views on the information presented is provided in the next section of this report.

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#### **Dignity in Care Campaign in Leeds**

- We were reminded that over recent years, consultation with older people in Leeds had identified 'being treated with respect and dignity' as a priority.
- 2. We were advised that on 1 July 2008, Leeds had been awarded the national NHS Health and Social Care Award 2008 for its work on Dignity in Care. We heard that the award had been based on the work undertaken to raise the standards of dignity across Health and Social Care in the city through the following four approaches:
  - (a) Fostering a cultural change;
  - (b) Achieving 'top-to-bottom' organisational action;
  - (c) The development and rolling out of Dignity Audit Tools; and,
  - (d) Using dignity as an outcome measure.



- 3. We heard that the Scrutiny Board Inquiry into Dignity in Care across all relevant Leeds organisations, conducted in 2007, had itself been highlighted as an example of good practice. The Inquiry had ensured that organisations developed action plans to meet the scrutiny recommendations, with internal task groups established to help ensure.
- 4. The recommendations of the Scrutiny inquiry along with the initial response received in July 2007 is included as Appendix 1.
- 5. We were pleased to hear that local audit tools had been developed and were being used to drive up standards. We were also pleased to hear that a second phase of development was underway in partnership with Age Concern, that was involving groups of older people carrying out audits in care homes.
- 6. We heard that Dignity was increasingly being used as an outcome measure, for example in the allocation of capital grant. Performance Indicators, related to the Dignity Standards, have now been developed and are to be used within contracts with care providers.
- 7. We requested a further update on the Dignity in Care campaign for

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our meeting in January 2009, at which we were informed of the comprehensive feedback sought from all sectors to measure the level of dignity and respect experienced.

#### **Capital Grant Funding**

- 8. We heard that the Secretary of State for Health first announced provision of a grant to enhance the physical environment in care homes for older people in December 2006.
- 9. Leeds City Council was awarded a grant of £1,040,000 for this purpose.
- 10. Overall, the process for deciding how the grant was to be allocated was not prescribed by the Government although some allocation criteria was laid down. This included:
  - Improvements should directly benefit residents – improvements of areas that are exclusively used by staff would therefore be inappropriate;
  - Improvements should not be of such magnitude as to prompt a demand for increased fees;
  - Care home providers should be given a degree of discretion and flexibility in making the intended improvements. However, they should maintain a clear audit trail of their decision-making

- processes, which can be made available if requested.
- The grants are not intended to enable large-scale or expensive redevelopments which benefit only a small number of care homes.
- The grant should not unreasonably favour homes owned by the Authority itself
- 11. As part of the grant allocation process, we heard that dignity and quality of care were adopted as the basis for all the decisions about the distribution of the grant.
- 12. During January 2007, the Council undertook a consultation exercise with its major partners over the distribution of the Capital Grant money.
- 13. From the consultation, a set of local criteria were established to evaluate grant applications and in February 2007, the Council wrote to all residential and nursing care homes for older people, inviting them to submit an application for grant funding for a capital project of their choice with a *minimum* value of £5000.
- 14. All care homes were informed that grant funding should support improvements that would make the greatest difference to the quality of life of residents. Examples of the types of possible projects were

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provided, alongside examples of inappropriate works.

"I have witnessed that Leeds has taken up the challenge of the Dignity in Care initiative with enthusiasm. We have Dignity Champions among front-line staff as well as managers across all services, each making a real difference.

At the same time an energetic advertising campaign, including innovative and powerful posters, encourages older people themselves to demand their right to be treated with the respect they so richly deserve.

It is with pride, as I travel about Leeds, that I see these posters displayed in libraries, GP practices and community centres"

Susan Chesters Chair of Leeds Older People's Forum

- 15. The Council received 76 bids from independent sector care homes and 19 bids from local authority run establishments. Such was the demand for the grant, in total, the bids received were in excess of £2 million more than double the level of funding available.
- As such, to help ensure that the available grant would benefit as many residents in Leeds, as

possible, in some cases the total grant allocated was less than the bid – although assurances were sought about the works to be completed.

- 17. We heard that part of the bid evaluation criteria included an analysis of each homes latest CSCI report against the National Minimum Standards and evidence that residents had been consulted prior to the bid being finalised.
- 18. We were advised that, for a variety of reasons, the bids from 23 organisations were unsuccessful. The main reasons for bids being unsuccessful were that the intended improvements did not meet the locally agreed criteria and there was no evidence of consultation with residents.
- 19. We were provided with photographic evidence that highlighted some examples of the improvements made as a result of the grant funding. These are detailed in Appendix 2.
- 20. We consider that the approach and commitment employed to improving the dignity and respect experienced by citizens has resulted in proven successful outcomes. We consider the organisation and practices employed for the Dignity in Care Campaign to be an example of good practice for other major projects and initiatives.



## Leeds Health & Adult Care Scrutiny Board Report into Dignity in Care Formal Response to the Report from Leeds Partners – July 2007

#### Recommendation 1:

That health and social care agencies in Leeds continue to raise the profile of the Dignity Campaign using existing publicity materials and practice guidance.

Organisation	Existing Activity	Planned Activity	Timescale
LTHT	<ul> <li>Distribution planned for Leeds Dignity in care posters and other relevant materials</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Distribution of Leeds Dignity in care posters and other relevant materials</li> <li>All Trust champions encouraged to register at DOH</li> </ul>	As soon as posters arrive
	<ul> <li>Distribution planned for DOH dignity in care information</li> </ul>	champions website	June 2007
LMHT	<ul> <li>Distribution planned for Leeds Dignity in care posters and other</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Information to be collated to define the role a lead</li> <li>Dignity staff member in each service area</li> </ul>	Sept 2007
	relevant materials	<ul> <li>Establish Email network to distribute dignity information</li> </ul>	Sept 2007
Adult Social Care	Distribution of Leeds Dignity in care posters and other relevant materials	The action plan to be an agenda item on all management meetings and arrangements for future	Arrangements in place by October
Services	Front Page article on Dignity in	distribution of materials and use of newsletters to be put in place.	2007
	recent edition of Council News Paper.		



Organisation		Existing Activity		Planned Activity	Timescale
Leeds PCT	•	Distribution of DoH Dignity in Care cards to some Care Home	•	Distribution of Leeds Dignity in care posters and other relevant materials and use of newsletters etc.,	Immediate
		and PCT staff through existing Essence of Care meetings Linking Dignity in Care Campaign	•	To establish a working group for essence of Care Privacy and Dignity, Dignity in Care to be incorporated with multi disciplinary representation	Sept 2007
		and Essence of Care Privacy and		Identify Dignity Champions across disciplines	Sept 2007
		Dignity work, commenced with Care Home staff	•	Establish email network to distribute dignity information	Sept 2007
			•	Link dignity work with ongoing work based on Gold Standards Framework, palliative care principles and Leeds Care of the Dying workstreams	Immediate
Leeds Care			•	Distribution of Leeds Dignity in care posters and	
Association				other relevant materials and use of newsletters etc.,	





#### Recommendation 2

That statutory care providers set up internal Dignity task groups to co-ordinate dignity improvements across their organisation or incorporate the Dignity role in an existing senior group. This should be led by an appropriate Dignity Champion.

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Organisation	Existing Activity	Planned Activity	Timescale
LTHT	Established Dignity Workstream	Detailed workplan available from LTHT	
	Group		
	Annual Conference for staff of all		
	disciplines to support work as		
	dignity champions		
	Clinical Educators leading work		
	at local level		
	Newsletter for champions		
	keeping them abreast of local		
	and national initiatives		
	Older people and carers on		
	Leeds city General Hospital care group, papers and work from		
	this workstream are commented		
	on by them there and through		
	other older people's forums		
	within Leeds		
LMHT	In March 2007 LMHT established	Quarterly meetings to continue to ensure ongoing	Dates for future
	the Older Peoples Mental Health	implementation of Dignity agenda.	meetings agreed
	Service Privacy & Dignity Steering		
	Group		



Organisation	Existing Activity	Planned Activity	Timescale
Leeds PCT	<ul> <li>Initial presentations given to staff in care homes for Dignity in Care and Essence of Care Privacy</li> </ul>	Essence of Care Group Privacy and Dignity Group to be established, Dignity in Care to be incorporated with multidisciplinary representation.	Sept 2007
	and Dignity	To identify Dignity Champions across disciplines	Sept 2007
	<ul> <li>Dignity in Care highlighted in the Essence of Care Newsletter</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Establish email network to distribute dignity information</li> </ul>	Sept 2007
	<ul><li>Sharing progress at Essence of Care meetings</li><li>Phil Corrigan named as</li></ul>		
	Executive Director Dignity in Care lead		
Adult Social	Chief Officer – Adults to undertake	The Adult Management Group to incorporate this into	Immediate
Care	role of a Dignity Champion.	their work and co-ordinate the Dignity in care agenda	
Services		across Adult Social Care Services.	



#### Recommendation 3

That the Leeds Older People Champions continue to act as Dignity Champions for the city to ensure that good practice developments continue to be shared between providers.

Organisation	Existing Activity	Planned Activity	Timescale
LTHT	Mark Bradley & Sally Mansfield represent LTHT on the Older People's Champions Group	Continued commitment to the Older People's Champions Group and ensure information and practice developments are shared across agencies	immediate
LMHT	John Holmes represents LMHT on the Older People's Champions Group	Continued commitment to the Older People's Champions Group and ensure information and practice developments are shared across agencies	immediate
Leeds PCT	<ul> <li>PCT changes mean new Champions are being identified</li> <li>Progress of dignity work report forwarded to the Older Peoples Champions Group</li> <li>Work already completed and shared as good practice</li> <li>Various methods i.e. presentations and staff newsletters, used to share good practice and raise awareness</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Revised representation on the Older People's Champions Group from the PEC and the Exec Board</li> <li>To identify Dignity Champions</li> <li>Continue to report the dignity work, share at meetings and via email</li> </ul>	August 2007 Sept 2007 Immediate



Organisation	Existing Activity	Planned Activity	Timescale
Adult Social Care Services	Adult Social Care Services continue to be represented on the Older People's Champions Group	Continued commitment to the Older People's Champions Group and ensure information and practice developments are shared across agencies.  Others to be encouraged to become Dignity Champions. Executive Member to write to all Councillors inviting them to consider	September 2007
All NHS and LA organisations	Older People's Champions Group chaired and serviced by the Older People's Team.	becoming a Dignity Champion.  Older People's Team continues supporting the Older People's Champions Group and ensures information and practice developments are shared across agencies	Immediate



#### Recommendation 4:

That relevant local professional bodies support policy and practice development in their sectors in order to promote a culture of dignity.

Organisation	Existing Activity	Planned Activity	Timescale
LTHT	<ul> <li>Have a patient information group working</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Ascertain level of training required for staff.</li> </ul>	Feb 2008
	party- leaflet produced in several	<ul> <li>Programme of increasing staff awareness</li> </ul>	Started
	languages and given to patients informing	of relevant policies/procedures	&Ongoing
	them about the role of OT following	<ul> <li>Need for appropriate private</li> </ul>	
	referral	assessment/treatment facilities raised on	As risk
	Patient involvement in diet sheet	risk register	assessments
	production (dietetic governance	<ul> <li>OT guidance document on Chaperoning is</li> </ul>	completed
	committee)	ongoing	Ongoing via
	<ul> <li>OT feeding assessments are undertaken</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Increase staff awareness of relevant</li> </ul>	champions
	on the wards at meal times where this is	Privacy policies and procedures	network
	required.	<ul> <li>Trust Nutrition Steering group will address</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Dietetic involvement in audit of ward</li> </ul>	issues around ward practices at mealtimes	Audit Aug.2007
	practice at mealtimes	<ul> <li>this is a multidisciplinary group and</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Protected mealtimes policy</li> </ul>	includes patients representation	
	<ul> <li>Dietetic involvement in menu planning to</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Raise awareness of the Liverpool Care</li> </ul>	Ongoing
	ensure that dietary needs (cultural,	Pathway within/as part of induction	March 2008
	religious and medical) can be met	<ul> <li>Patient satisfaction survey for</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Professional dress code</li> </ul>	Physiotherapy	July 07 - 08
	<ul> <li>Individualised treatment plans incorporate</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To complete further patient satisfaction</li> </ul>	
	appropriate activities/interests wherever	survey within OT Older Peoples Services	ongoing
	possible.	<ul> <li>Implement recommendations stemming</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>A-Z Directory of Services for older</li> </ul>	from the June Championing Change	Autumn 2007
	people.	conference	



Organisation	Existing Activity	Planned Activity	Timescale
Organisation	<ul> <li>Designated tray system used in some areas (pilot)</li> <li>Dignity Audit Tool for Ward areas developed</li> <li>Dignity Audits are now part of all CMT business plans</li> <li>Liverpool Care Pathway is used for End of Life Care at LTHT</li> <li>Equality and Diversity policy and equality schemes in place</li> <li>Various auxiliary aids and services available to facilitate access and improve patient experience including interpreting (BSL, Deafblind communicator guides and spoken language)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Dignity applied within various General Hospital Care workstreams e.g. nutrition, privacy</li> <li>New procedures for Safeguarding Adults currently being consulted upon, due for implementation Autumn 2007</li> <li>Audit Tool being expanded and developed to include outpatients and emergency departments</li> <li>Development of two single sex wards in Beckett Wing</li> <li>New Dress Policy to be approved by Trust Management Board</li> <li>Programme of ward and department level surveys which will all include dignity question</li> <li>National surveys carried out on a regular</li> </ul>	Sept. 2007  Paper to Trust Board Dec 2007 July 2007  Throughout 2007/8  annually
		basis	



Organisation	Existing Activity	Planned Activity	Timescale
LMHT	<ul> <li>Adult protection training</li> <li>5 senior clinicians within Older People</li> <li>Directorate have undertaken 2 day APEC</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Awareness Raising Dignity Workshop</li> <li>Person-centred care training programme</li> <li>Develop an appropriate audit tool</li> </ul>	Dec 2007 Dec 2007
	training  48 CTMs/CSMs and senior clinicians have attended Adult Protection Awareness Raising sessions facilitated by the Leeds Adult Protection Unit.from Feb	<ul> <li>Apply learning from LTHT to LMHT settings</li> <li>To evaluate the learning from the awareness raising workshops and continue raising the profile of Safeguarding</li> </ul>	immediate Dec 2007
	<ul> <li>07 – April 07.</li> <li>Care home team working in care homes</li> <li>Person-centred care training programme</li> </ul>	Adults within Directorate.  Develop educational package to use for training care home staff	Sep 2007 Dec 2007
	commenced	<ul> <li>Rolling out the Person Centred Approaches to Care training</li> </ul>	200 2001
Adult Social Care Services	Community Matrons working with Social Services care home staff on a project to promote Dignity in Care.	<ul> <li>Revision of Community Support service user questionnaires to incorporate Dignity Challenge factors</li> </ul>	November 2007
	Quality audits of services incorporate dignity issues.	<ul> <li>Develop and implement a Dignity Audit         Tool for care homes in conjunction with         Leeds Care Association     </li> <li>Apply learning from elsewhere to Adult Social Care Services settings</li> </ul>	
		<ul> <li>Refer to local professional groups such as Occupational Therapy (OT Leeds).</li> </ul>	



Organisation	Existing Activity	Planned Activity	Timescale
Leeds PCT	<ul> <li>Equality and Diversity training available</li> <li>Modern Matron and Community Matrons working with care home staff on a project to promote Dignity in Care</li> <li>Newsletter capturing good practice for care homes with Modern Matron and Community Matron input</li> <li>Sharing practice development with LCA, action plan to be agreed with Care Home Staff</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Draft a newsletter capturing good practice for care Homes with Community Matron input</li> <li>Sharing practice development with LCA</li> <li>Apply learning from LTHT to PCT settings</li> <li>Assess potential for advancing Dignity agenda through the PCT's Quality Strategy</li> <li>Drafting a dignity audit tool</li> <li>Establish an Essence of Care Privacy and Dignity Group incorporating Dignity in Care</li> </ul>	Immediate Immediate July 2007 Aug 2007 Immediate Sept 2007
	<ul> <li>Attended LCA conference focusing on dignity issues, sharing with colleagues</li> <li>Patient feedback forms measure dignity standards</li> <li>Essence of Care Food and Nutrition group progressing dignity work, good practice flyer being drafted</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>multidisciplinary representation</li> <li>Continue to share good practice via meetings, newsletters, email and events</li> <li>Specific posts created which will incorporate dignity issues, ie Marie Curie Delivering Choice - Palliative Care Facilitator for Care Homes post, Education post, Equality and Diversity worker post and sustaining the Gold Standards</li> </ul>	Immediate
		Framework and Liverpool Care Pathway across the patient community journey  Workshops planned for end of year for palliative care in care homes which will incorporate dignity issues for care home staff, Community Matrons, District Nursing  Incorporate Dignity in Care factors into the PCT Quality Strategy	Aug 2007 Aug 2007



Organisation	Existing Activity	Planned Activity	Timescale
All NHS and LA organisations		<ul> <li>Older People's and Disabled Peoples         Partnership Boards to 'Dignity test' existing         and future workstreams and projects     </li> </ul>	immediate
		<ul> <li>Dignity in Care to be a standing item at the Older People's Board</li> </ul>	immediate
		<ul> <li>Older People's and Disabled Peoples         Partnership Boards to share information             with appropriate leads for adult groups in             order to spread Dignity in Care across all             adult groups     </li> </ul>	July 2007
Leeds Care Association	Developed a LCA Standards Group to promote the Gold Standard Framework and Dignity in Care amongst member organisations	<ul> <li>Develop and implement a Dignity Audit         Tool for care homes in conjunction with             Social Services         Sharing practice development with LCA         Apply learning from LTHT to LCA provider settings     </li> </ul>	



#### Recommendation 5:

That an appropriate training package is developed by the Leeds Older People's Strategic Partnership and Service Development Team, aimed at front line staff, to address and challenge attitudes to older people.

Organisation	<b>Existing Activity</b>	Planned Activity	Timescale
LTHT	-	To ensure that appropriate staff take up any city-wide training available	Dependent on implementation of city wide training-
LMHT	-	To ensure that appropriate staff take up any city-wide training available	-
Leeds PCT	-	To ensure that appropriate staff take up any city-wide training available	Immediate
Adult Social Care Services		Support the work on City wide training strategy and ensure that appropriate staff take up any city-wide training available	-
All NHS and LA organisations		Older People's Team co-ordinating/ facilitiating the development of training packages in consultation with organisations' training sections	August 2007
Leeds Care Association		To promote take up of city-wide training within member organisations	



#### Recommendation 6:

That all commissioners of health and social care services in Leeds incorporate dignity requirements into contracts and monitor the implementation of these requirements.

Organisation	Existing Activity	Planned Activity	Timescale
LTHT	<ul> <li>To ensure that this is part of the trusts SLA with PCT</li> </ul>		PCT contract timeframe
LMHT	<ul> <li>To ensure that this is part of the trusts SLA with PCT</li> </ul>		PCT contract timeframe
Leeds PCT	<ul> <li>Performance Indicators in the SLA with LMHT Older Peoples Service will incorporate dignity objectives which will be monitored through the PCT/SLA meeting</li> <li>Dignity expectations (particularly in respect of using the toilet) included in contracts for Community Intermediate Care (CIC) beds</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Build requirement to conduct dignity audits and into future contracts with health care providers</li> <li>CIC beds – expand and develop dignity requirements in future contracts</li> <li>Build dignity requirements into contracts with voluntary sector</li> <li>Care services make commissioning services aware of dignity issues</li> <li>Older Peoples Team to continue to work with commissioning strategies include dignity issues</li> </ul>	Over next 2 years as contracts are renewed/ re tendered immediate



Organisation	Existing Activity	Planned Activity	Timescale
Adult Social Care Services	Capital Grant to Care Homes and Day Services distributed on Dignity impact criteria	<ul> <li>Building requirement to conduct dignity audits and other dignity requirements into future contracts with care home and community support service providers and voluntary sector organisations</li> <li>Older Peoples Team to continue to work with commissioners to ensure that commissioning strategies include dignity issues</li> </ul>	Over next three years as new contracts tendered or existing contracts due for renewal immediate





#### Recommendation 7:

That the relevant local professional bodies consider the development of more consistent and patient focused complaints procedures and develop common standards across health and social care services in Leeds.

Organisation	Existing Activity	Planned Activity	Timescale
LTHT	Recently reviewed complaints procedures and associated training are in place which include options for meeting with complainants as well as the formal written process. PALS allows for a more informal resolution.	A new approach to responding to complaints is proposed by the DoH and a consultation is currently taking place on a single comprehensive system that will operate across social care. It aims to offer a more personal service	Consultation runs to Oct 2007
	<ul> <li>Multisector procedures are in place</li> <li>Patient satisfaction surveys are done regularly and will help to highlight any cross sector difficulties</li> <li>Amended versions had full consultation. Now available on new complaints web page.</li> <li>Meeting 25 wd target in 68% of cases. Process requires continuous communication with the complainant</li> <li>Reassurance given in complaints leaflet and on web page</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Once the approach is finalised we will work with our partners including patients/public tenable delivery</li> <li>Patient Satisfaction Survey identifies this is a problem</li> <li>Relies on CMTs undertaking this work independently.</li> <li>Team leaders to attend Advanced complaints course.</li> <li>New PALS documentation to be available to OT/PT/Dietetics service</li> <li>Audit complaints</li> </ul>	Throughout 2008
	<ul> <li>Internal audit with CMTs currently in progress. New system of capturing actions taken now in place. Rolling programme of patient satisfaction surveys started in February 2007.</li> <li>Complaints procedure leaflet displayed/available</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Regular agenda item for team leaders.</li> <li>Feed Privacy &amp; Dignity issues into the LMHT Complaints Policy Review</li> </ul>	Dec 2007



Organisation	Existing Activity	Planned Activity	Timescale
Leeds PCT	<ul> <li>Agreed protocol with LTHT for mixed sector complaints where elements of PCT and LTHT care are involved</li> <li>Liaison with Adult Social Care Services on mixed sector complaints</li> <li>Complaints procedure leaflet displayed/available in care service locations</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Commitment to the development of comprehensive single complaints system.</li> <li>Rolling programme of patient satisfaction surveys and feedback forms</li> </ul>	Immediate Immediate
Adult Social Care Services	There is statutory guidance for Complaints procedures for Adult Social Care. Adult Social Care, LTHT and LMHT Complaints Managers are in the process of developing protocols, the focus of which will be to make it easier for people to complain about their experiences of using health and social care services and for their complaints to be resolved locally, speedily and effectively	<ul> <li>Meeting between Adult Social Care         Complaints Manager and LTHT         Complaints Manager took place in         February 2007 to discuss Protocol for         Managing Mixed Sector Complaints.         Protocol in the process of being finalised.         Joint Protocol for managing mixed Sector         complaints between Adult Social Care         and LMHT also in the process of being         finalised. Complaints Managers have         already exchanged draft protocols.</li> </ul>	August 2007 August 2007
All NHS and LA organisations		Ensure links made to Our Health Our Care Our Say policy on complaints procedures, i.e. the development by 2009 of a comprehensive single complaints system across health and social care.	



Organisation	Existing Activity	Planned Activity	Timescale
Leeds Care Association		<ul> <li>Promote compliance amongst members with complaints guidance</li> <li>Provide guidance and clarity to sector on complaints process</li> <li>Promote access to complaints information by commissioners</li> </ul>	





#### Recommendation 8:

That the Leeds Older People's Strategic Partnership and Service Development Board ensures that any actions, concerns and best practices arising from the Healthcare Commission's national review of acute services around dignity in care is considered by the relevant local services.

Organisation	Existing Activity	Planned Activity	Timescale
LTHT	Awaiting review report (expected September 2007)	Once Healthcare Commission's recommendations are published, ensure recommendations are incorporated into LTHT	October 2007
LMHT	Awaiting review report (expected September 2007)	Once Healthcare Commission's recommendations are published, appropriate application to LMHT services will be assessed by LMHT Privacy & Dignity Steering Group	October 2007
Leeds PCT	Awaiting review report (expected September 2007)	Once Healthcare Commission's recommendations are published, identify relevant recommendations for inclusion within SLA's with acute services and include in future SLA's.	October 2007
All NHS and LA organisations	Awaiting review report (expected September 2007)	Once Healthcare Commission's recommendations are published, Older Peoples Board to co-ordinate response to the Healthcare Commission Inquiry.	October 2007



## Examples of works completed to enhance the physical environment in registered care homes in Leeds

**Halcyon Court - Before** 



Halcyon Court - Before



**Halcyon Court - After** 



Halcyon Court - After



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**Radcliffe Gardens - Before** 



Radcliffe Gardens - After



Sunnyside - Before



Sunnyside - After





Vivian House - Before



Vivian House - After

