

Scrutiny Board (Health)

Work Programme 2009/10

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| Meeting date – 24 November 2009 | | | |
| Provision of Renal Dialysis at Leeds General Infirmary | <p>To consider LTHT's response to the additional questions posed by the Scrutiny Board regarding the provision of renal dialysis services across the City and specifically the previously proposed unit at Leeds General Infirmary.</p> <p>The Board will also consider the draft Renal Strategy for Yorkshire and The Humber (2009 – 2014).</p> | <p>28 July 2009 – proposals considered at the Scrutiny Board on and position statement produced for LTHT Board meeting 30 July 2009.</p> <p>30 July 2009 – LTHT Board decision deferred.</p> <p>7 August 2009 – request for additional information/ series of questions issued to health partners.</p> <p>3 September 2009 – follow-up letter to request sent 7 August 2009.</p> <p>10 September 2009 – letter from LTHT advising that it was hoped to respond formally in 2nd week of October 2009 (following the Trust Board meeting on 7 October 2009)</p> | RP |

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| | | <p>6 October 2009 – letter to LTHT seeking clarification on progress, given that no formal report scheduled for the LTHT Board meeting on 7 October 2009.</p> <p>6 November 2009 – response from LTHT received.</p> | |
| Provision of dermatology services at Ward 43 (Leeds General Infirmary (LGI)) | To consider proposals around the provision of dermatology services at Ward 43 (Leeds General Infirmary (LGI)) | <p>2 separate requests for scrutiny received.</p> <p>8 October 2009 – letter sent to LTHT / NHS Leeds seeking a moratorium on the proposals until more detailed examination by the Scrutiny Board.</p> <p>29 October 2009 – further letter issued seeking same information.</p> <p>13 November 2009 – formal response from LTHT</p> | RP |
| Leeds Teaching Hospital NHS Trust – foundation trust consultation | To consider LTHT's foundation trust consultation document and details of the planned engagement and consultation. | | B |

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| Meeting date – 15 December 2009 | | | |
| Scrutiny Inquiry – promoting good public health | <p>Session 2: To consider issues associated with <i>reversing the rise in levels of obesity and promoting an increase in the levels of physical activity</i>, such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The role of the Council and its NHS health partners in developing and delivering appropriate strategies that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Raises general public awareness of the health risks associated with obesity and inactive lifestyles. ○ Identifies and targets those groups most at risk of becoming obese and leading inactive lifestyles. ○ Assesses the quality and effectiveness of services and treatments associated with obesity. ○ Promotes easy access to leisure facilities and activities. • The role of the Council in terms of its power of well-being through planning policies and associated enforcement/ control procedures. <p>The role of commercial sector partners in promoting healthier lifestyles.</p> | Rescheduled from 24 November 2009 | RP/DP |

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| Meeting date – 19 January 2010 | | | |
| Scrutiny Inquiry – promoting good public health | <p>Session 3: To consider issues associated with <i>promoting responsible alcohol consumption</i>, such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The role of the Council in terms of licensing policy and associated enforcement/ control procedures. • The role of the Council and its NHS health partners in developing and delivering an alcohol strategy that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Raises general public awareness of the health risks associated with alcohol consumption. ○ Identifies and targets those groups most at risk from the affects of alcohol abuse, ensuring they have access to the most appropriate services and treatments. ○ Assesses the quality and effectiveness of services and treatments associated with reducing alcohol related harm. • The social responsibility role of breweries, retailers and licensees and how this shapes the consumption of alcohol in Leeds. | | RP/DP |
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| Meeting date – 16 February 2010 | | | |
| Scrutiny Inquiry – promoting good public health | <p>Session 4: To consider issues associated with <i>reducing the level of smoking</i>, such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The role of the Council and its NHS health partners in developing and delivering appropriate strategies that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Raises general public awareness of the health risks associated with smoking. ○ Identifies and targets those groups most at risk of smoking and smoking related illnesses. ○ Assesses the quality and effectiveness of services and treatments associated with smoking cessation. | | B/RP |
| Meeting date – 16 March 2010 | | | |
| Update on local NHS priorities | To consider an update on the previously identified priorities for each local NHS Trust. | Updates from: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NHS Leeds • Leeds Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust • Leeds Partnerships NHS Foundation Trust | PM |

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| Quarterly Accountability Reports | To receive quarter 3 performance reports | | PM |
| Annual Health Check | To receive and consider the local NHS Trusts self assessment against the 24 “core standards” set by Government under the domains: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Safety; • Clinical and Cost Effectiveness; • Governance; • Patient Focus; • Accessible and Responsive Care; • Care Environment and Amenities; and, • Public Health | Precise timing and scope to be confirmed | PM |
| Recommendation Tracking | To monitor progress against the recommendations agreed following previous Scrutiny Board inquiries. | | MSR |
| Meeting date – 27 April 2010 | | | |
| Scrutiny Inquiry – promoting good public health | To agree the Board’s final inquiry report. | | |
| Annual Report | To agree the Board’s contribution to the annual scrutiny report | | |

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| Working Groups (TBC) | | | |
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| Working group | Membership | Progress update | Dates |
| Health Proposals Working Group | <i>All Scrutiny Board members. Core membership of Cllr. Dobson and Cllr. Chapman</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Working group re-established and terms of reference agreed. • Membership established | <i>To be confirmed</i> |
| Supporting working age adults with severe and enduring mental health problems | <i>Cllr. John Illingworth Mr. Eddie Mack</i> | <p>This inquiry is being undertaken by the Scrutiny Board (Adult Social Care) with nominated representatives from Scrutiny Board (Health)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Working group re-established and terms of reference agreed. • Membership established • Initial meeting dates arranged | <i>19 October 2009 15 December 2009</i> |
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| Use of 0844 Numbers at GP Surgeries | To consider the impact of the recent Government guidance on local GP practices and any implications for patients. | Various correspondence exchanged and clarification sought. The Board to maintain a watching brief and kept up-to-date with any developments |
| Openness in the NHS | To consider how the Department of Health guidance is interpreted and implemented locally. | An outline of the approach adopted by the local NHS Trusts requested. Responses from NHS Leeds and LPFT received. Reply from LTHT awaited. |
| Children's Cardiac Surgery Services | To contribute to the national review and consider any local implications. | First newsletter published (August 2009) National stakeholder event scheduled for 22 October 2009. Draft clinical standards issued for consultation. |
| Children's Neurosurgery Services | To contribute to the national review and consider any local implications. | First bulletin published (September 2009) National stakeholder event scheduled for 30 November 2009. |

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| Health Scrutiny – Department of Health Guidance | To receive and consider revised guidance associated with health scrutiny and any implications for local practice. | Guidance was due to be published in November 2009. Indications are that this is likely to be delayed. No firm publication dates are yet available. |
| Specialised commissioning arrangements | To consider the current arrangements for specialised commissioning within the region and the role of scrutiny. | The planned Department of Health (DoH) consultation on developing / strengthening Health Scrutiny may have an impact. |
| Hospital Discharges | To consider a follow up report on progress against the recommendations (i.e. 15, 16 and 17) detailed in the Independence, Wellbeing and Choice inspection report | Consider report in September/ October 2009. |
| Out of Area Treatments (Mental Health) | To consider the report prepared by Leeds Hospital Alert and the response from LPFT. | Leeds Hospital Alert report received 1 July 2009. Response from LPFT requested on 1 July 2009. |

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