

Scrutiny Board (Health)

Work Programme 2010 /11

Working Groups			
Working group	Membership	Progress update	Dates
Health Service Developments Working Group	All Board members (subject to availability)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Working Group established in July 2010 • Working group meeting held on 14 September 2010, and 14 December 2010 • Working group meeting scheduled for 15 February 2011 cancelled. • Future meeting to be arranged 	14 Sept. 2010 14 Dec. 2010 15 Feb. 2011 April 2011 (TBC)
Garforth Squash and Leisure Centre	All Board members (subject to availability)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Future meeting date to be arranged, subject to the outcome of the 'call-in' of the Executive Board decision 	TBC

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Playing fields in Leeds: Provision and the Public Health Implications	To consider the provision of playing fields in Leeds and the public health implications.	Added to the work programme: March 2011 for consideration in the new municipal year (2011/12).
Healthier Communities	To consider the outcome of the recent peer review and the associated actions/ improvement plan.	Process for publication to be confirmed. Member of the peer review team to be invited to present the report (TBC).
Children's Neurosurgery Services	To contribute to the national review and consider any local implications.	Carried over from 2009/10. First bulletin published (September 2009) National stakeholder event held 30 November 2009. Newsletter issued in April 2010. Local involvement likely to be towards the end of 2010.

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Foundation Trust Status	To consider LTHT's progress against its aspiration of attaining Foundation Trust status.	<p>Carried over from 2009/10.</p> <p>Initial and subsequently revised proposals considered in 2009/10.</p> <p>Details regarding anticipated changes in costs to support proposed new governance arrangements requested in May 2010</p>
Narrowing the Gap	To consider the impact of the 'Narrowing the Gap' initiative, in terms of improving healthy outcomes.	<p>Added to the work programme: December 2009, but no formal consideration of issue in 2009/10.</p> <p>Highlighted as an area to consider in July 2010.</p>
Primary Care Service Development and use of the Capital Estate	To consider the NHS Leeds' longer-term strategy for developing/ delivering services through its capital estate.	<p>Added to the work programme in December 2009, but no formal consideration of issue in 2009/10.</p> <p>It may be more appropriate to consider this matter across the whole local health economy.</p>

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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.	Carried over from 2009/10. Revised guidance was due to be published in November 2009, but was subsequently delayed until after the general election. No firm publication date is yet available and may be superseded by the details and any subsequent legislation and regulations arising from the White Paper – Equity and Excellence: Liberating the NHS
Specialised commissioning arrangements	To consider the current arrangements for specialised commissioning within the region and the role of scrutiny.	Carried over from 2009/10. No formal consideration of issue in 2009/10. Regional work with other local authorities is on-going. The next regional member network meeting is to be confirmed.
Openness in the NHS	To consider how the Department of Health guidance is interpreted and implemented locally.	Carried over from 2009/10. No formal consideration of the issue in 2009/10 and may be better linked with any detailed consideration of the White Paper – Equity and Excellence: Liberating the NHS

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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		Identified as potential issue for 2009/10 but insufficient capacity to consider the issue. Highlighted as a potential area for scrutiny by the Executive Board member in June 2010.
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. Responses received from LPFT in July 2009. No formal consideration of issue in 2009/10. Carried over from 2009/10.
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.		Carried over from 2009/10. Various correspondence exchanged and clarification sought. The Board to maintain a watching brief and kept up-to-date with any developments. No formal consideration of issue in 2009/10.

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