

Briefing note

To Health and Wellbeing Board	Date: 21 st October 2013
Subject: Progressing Integration	

1 Purpose of the Note

1.1 To report on the progress of the integration workstream, and agree the reporting mechanisms to the Health and Wellbeing Board (HWB).

2 Recommendations

- 2.1 Agree membership (and make additions where required) of the Integration Leaders' Group and working group.
- 2.2 Endorse the approach taken by the working group.
- 2.3 Agree method of reporting to the HWB.

3 Information/Background

- 3.1 The HWB agreed that working groups would be established to progress the aims and objectives of the Board. Integration of Health and Social Care services is a key priority for the city. The Leaders' Group is chaired by Councillor Alison Gingell and comprises of Chief Officer representatives from Coventry City Council, Coventry and Rugby Clinical Commissioning Group, Coventry and Warwickshire Partnership NHS Trust, and University Hospital Coventry and Warwickshire NHS Trust. It has been agreed that further representatives from West Midlands Ambulance Service will be invited. A working group has also been established to progress the plans.
- 3.2 The working group have explored possible areas for integration, where the work of the HWB can add value. The Leaders' Group agreed that older people (including long term conditions) and safeguarding children would be areas of focus. An event will be held (December 2013) with representatives from organisations across health and social care to formulate plans for integration in these areas, and develop an overarching vision for integration. Progress will be reported to the HWB in February and closely monitored by the Leaders' Group.
- 3.3 The Integrated Transformation Fund was announced in June 2013, it is a single pooled budget for health and social care. Significantly, this brings together existing expenditure to support transformation. Plans must be agreed by March 2014. The Integration Leaders'

Group have requested that Simon Brake, in conjunction with the Adult Commissioning Board, progress the plans for the fund, which will need to be agreed in due course by the HWB. Funding will be linked to outcomes achieved.

3.4 Plans must include:

- 7-day working in health and social care
- better data sharing, including universal use of the NHS number as a unique identifier
- a joint approach to assessment and care planning
- implications for acute service redesign
- support for accountable lead professionals in respect of joint care packages

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