

Minutes

Edinburgh Integration Joint Board Professional Advisory Group

9.30 am, Tuesday 28 June 2016

Mandela Room, City Chambers, Edinburgh

Present:

Board Members: Carl Bickler (Chair), Belinda Hacking, Linda Nicol-Smith, Kirsten Hey, Gordon Scott, Michael Ryan

Apologies:

Wanda Fairgrieve, Dr Kathryn Anderson, Alasdair FitzGerald, Aisling Downey, Dr Sharon Cameron, Aileen Kenny, Caroline Lawrie, Moyra Burns, Eddie Balfour.

1. Note of the meeting of the Edinburgh Integration Joint Board Professional Advisory Group meeting of 17 May 2016

Decision

To approve the minute of the meeting of the Edinburgh Integration Joint Board – Professional Advisory Group of 17 May 2016 as a correct record.

2. Matters Arising from the note of the meeting of the Edinburgh Integration Joint Board – Professional Advisory Group of 17 May 2016

Decision

To note that the Co-Chair would raise the following issues at the next meeting of the EIJB (15 July 2016):

- Delayed discharge - the PAG are concerned that the focus of acute hospital delays does not include the wider issues of delays in the system, and support the proposal of widening the reporting to include:

- Delays for those with learning difficulties to move from institutional care to more appropriate care
- Mental health hospital delays.
- The length time people wait in the community for care packages.
- The length of time that people in the community wait for care homes.

3. Note of the meeting of the Edinburgh Integration Joint Board of 13 May 2016

Decision

To note the minute of the meeting of the Edinburgh Integration Joint Board – 13 May 2016.

4. Matters arising from the note of the meeting of the Edinburgh Integration Joint Board of 13 May 2016

Decision

To welcome the EIJB decision to approve the uplift in contract rates paid to independent and third sector providers to facilitate payment of the Living Wage.

5. Appointment of a Co- Chair of the Professional Advisory Group – verbal update

Decision

To agree that Colin Beck would Co-Chair the Professional Advisory Group.

6. Management Structure

The proposed management structure that had been issued for consultation was introduced.

During discussions the following points were raised:

- It is critically important to get the right professional support for the right professional grouping.
- The structure and the resulting services should be determined by and catered for local need.
- Further consideration should be given to where psychology and learning support sits within the new structure.
- District nursing being split into localities may result in a separation and division of the service.
- It is important to understand the pulls on each service area.
- Concerns were noted that:
 - the structure would result in a loss of posts,
 - health care staff may be redeployed before social work staff,
 - professional leadership and representation must be maintained,

- governance arrangements,
- the management of nursing,
- removal of career progression for social workers,
- impact of the loss of social workers and the consequential impact on adult protection,
- the new structure may encourage an unequal distribution of resources, and;
- managers may become preoccupied with maintaining and servicing small service areas.

Decision

- 1) To note the proposed Management Structures and that the consultation closes on 1 July 2016.
- 2) To note that the Co-Chair would prepare and submit a response regarding the proposed Management Structures reflecting the discussions held during the PAG meeting.

(References – draft Management Structures, submitted.)

7. Representative for Strategic Planning Group – verbal update

Decision

To agree that Belinda Hacking and Colin Beck would represent the PAG on the Strategic Planning Group.

8. Acute Hospital Representation on Professional Advisory Group – verbal update

An email had been circulated by Clinical Lead for Lothian Complex Care regarding Acute Hospital care.

Decision

- 1) To note the verbal update.
- 2) To note that the Co-Chair would seek feedback from the membership regarding the email circulated to the medical and clinical leads at the Western General and Royal Infirmary.

9. Request from the City of Edinburgh Council, and others, for information on General Practitioners

Members raised concerns regarding the volume of requests from organisations requesting information from General Practitioners.

During discussions the following points were raised:

- Health Care providers had a duty to ensure that when patients were referred that the service delivered by the other provider meets that individuals specific needs.

- The service level agreements entered into with other providers were not always available.
- Governance arrangements with other providers needs to be clarified.

Decision

- 1) To note that a number of stakeholders, public, private and third sector, make an increasing number of requests for information from General Practitioners.
- 2) To note that a paper regarding governance arrangements and the Third Sector in terms of 'referral process', reflecting the concerns raised during the PAG meeting, would be drafted and circulated to members for comment.
- 3) To consider third sector representation at future PAG meeting to discuss interface between professionals and third sector organisations

10. Edinburgh Integration Joint Board – Development Session – Primary Care

A Development Session of the Edinburgh Integration Joint Board was held on 17 June 2016. During this session the EIJB examined the challenges that faced primary care providers such as Technology, Public Education and Workforce development.

Decision

To note the verbal update and that an action plan had been developed to address the challenges facing primary care.

11. Professional Advisory Group workplan – verbal update

Decision

- 1) To note the following items would be discussed at the next meeting of the PAG:
 - Guardianship or capacity issues.
 - Governance Arrangements and the Third Sector.
- 2) To ask members to contact the Convener and/or the Clerk regarding future agenda items.

12. Future Meetings

Decision

To note the Professional Advisory Group would next meet on the 30 August 2016.