

Health and Wellbeing Board

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Report of the Assistant Director - Joint Commissioning, (BCF Lead)
NHS Vale of York Clinical Commissioning Group and City of York
Council.

Better Care Fund Update

Summary

1. This report is for information. It sets out the following:
 - An update on the 2019-2020 Better Care Fund Plan for York
 - Some recent highlights.
 - Progress against national targets that the Better Care Fund (BCF) is designed to positively influence.

Background

2. The Health and Wellbeing Board has received regular reports from the Better Care Fund Performance and Delivery Group. The previous report included the annual review of achievements in 2018-2019, and so this is a brief report on progress.

Main/Key Issues to be considered

2019-2020 BCF Plan

3. York Health and Wellbeing Board submitted its plan for the current financial year on 27th September 2019, in line with the national planning requirements. The strategic narrative is attached for information at **Annex 1** and the excel version of the plan is available from the author of this report, but as it is not a 'user friendly' format for readers it has not been included here in full.
4. York had already received feedback from the regional Better Care Team on our draft plan, enabling us to ensure we were fully

compliant with the Key Lines of Enquiry and the national conditions. We have been informed that the plan passed the regional quality assurance process. We expect receive official confirmation of the status of our plan by letter from the national Better Care Team in the near future. At the time of writing this has not yet been received. Plans will be either 'Approved' or 'Not Approved'. The latter status will result in escalation to further national assurance processes.

5. There has been no requirement for BCF quarterly performance returns for quarter one or quarter two, due to the late timing of the approval process. An expenditure return was required for the Improved Better Care Fund (iBCF) for quarter two. This was submitted in October in line with requirements.

Recent Highlights

6. Representatives of the Primary Care Networks in York have joined the membership of the Better Care Fund Performance and Delivery Group. This has enabled a good level of information sharing as the networks develop, and has fostered collaboration on areas of shared interest. In particular, the Primary Care Networks have been exploring how the NHS Long Term Plan investment in social prescribers can be implemented in partnership with our existing Ways to Wellbeing service during the initial year of the plan. There have been national technical issues to overcome, but regular dialogue has been maintained to achieve the best outcome for people in York.
7. Work has started with the Independent Care Group and care home providers to develop our Trusted Assessors scheme. A working group has been established, and options for a local model are being considered. Within reablement, a pilot is being undertaken during the winter to test an approach to 'enhanced review' which will enable people to move on from the service in a timely manner as their recovery is completed and their support needs stabilise.
8. In November we held the first of our partnership planning events to develop our approach to the forthcoming one year plan for 2020 – 2021. While there remains considerable uncertainty about the financial forecast for next year, we were able to continue the coproduction of our priorities, and principles for decision making. Person centred outcomes, collaboration and prevention remain the core themes of our work.

9. A further planning event will be held with partners in the spring.

Performance Dashboard

10. HWBB members will recognise the performance dashboard of four key indicators, which have been carried forward into the current year.
11. The quarter 2 position is attached at **Annex 2**. The full excel document is available on request from the author of this report, however, the content is not easy to read in this board report format.
12. While York continues to perform below our four key BCF targets, there has been a steady improvement in delayed transfers of care, when comparing this year to the previous year, on a 12 month rolling average basis. This is the result of wide ranging action across the system, for example the continued development of the One Team, additional investment by the council in home care, concerted efforts to improve the flow through reablement services, and progress on implementation of initiatives such as the High Impact Changes (described in earlier reports to HWBB). Delays waiting for nursing care have been reducing over recent months. However, we cannot afford to be complacent about delayed transfers as we enter the winter period, and York remains in the bottom performance quartile nationally, and is seen as a cause for concern. As a system we are implementing the 'Why not home, why not today' policy as part of our transformation program under the leadership of the Health and Care Resilience Partnership.
13. The reablement indicator is an annual snapshot, and is therefore unchanged from previous reports. It measure the outcomes of people over 65 years of age who were discharged from hospital into reablement during October, November and December 2018, following up their situation after 91 days in January, February and March 2019.
14. Non Elective Admissions are currently 1.4% below the planned level, up to month 6. However, the CCG plan is significantly higher than the previous financial year. Non-Elective Admissions are higher in this financial year than the previous financial year. During the year to date the national growth in emergency admissions is 3.2% (estimated by NHSE/I), York is above this at 3.4% and Scarborough is 14.1%.

15. York's performance with regard to admissions to care homes shows an improvement compared to the same period last year, however this may be a reflection of how these are recorded and may not be sustained into the third quarter of the year. BCF supports a wide range of preventative measures designed to support people to maintain their independence for as long as possible. The case study in **Annex 3** gives an example of the work funded through the Disabled Facilities Grant to enable people to continue living at home. Previous reports have highlighted Local Area Coordination and Social Prescribing.
16. The York BCF Performance and Delivery Group is committed to providing the HWBB with case studies to highlight the positive outcomes of BCF funded schemes. The NHS Long Term Plan places a new emphasis on integration of health and social care with housing, among other partners. The High Impact Change Model is being refreshed nationally to include a ninth change focused on the role of housing to people's wellbeing and independence. Housing Services are represented at the York BCF Performance and Delivery Group. Disabled Facilities Grant is featured at **Annex 4**.

Consultation

17. None.

Options

18. Not applicable.

Analysis

19. Not applicable.

Strategic/Operational Plans

20. As above:
 - Better Care Fund Plan 2019-20

Implications

21. There are no new implications as a result of this report. A verbal update on the approval process for 2019/20 will be provided at the H&WBB if it has been received at that time.

Risk Management

22. Risks which have been previously reported to the board in relation to BCF remain relevant.

Recommendations

23. The Health and Wellbeing Board is asked to note this report.

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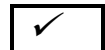


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Specialist Implications Officer(s) None

Wards Affected:

All



For further information please contact the author of the report
Background Papers:

Annexes

Annex 1 – Strategic Narrative, 2019-20
Annex 2 – BCF Performance dashboard (summary) Quarter 2
Annex 3 – Disabled Facilities Grant case study
Annex 4 -Presentation slides from the 2019 BCF annual evaluation event.

Glossary of Abbreviations

A&E – Accident and Emergency

BCF - Better Care Fund

CCG – Clinical Commissioning Group

CDSG – Complex Discharge Steering Group

CHC - Continuing Healthcare

CRT – Community Response Team

CQC - Care Quality Commission

CYC – City of York Council

DASS – Director of Adult Social Services

DCLG - Department for Communities and Local Government

DH - Department of Health

DHSC - Department of Health and Social Care

DIG – Digital Integration Group

GDPR - General Data Protection Regulation

GP – General Practitioner

HCVSTP – Humber Coast and Vale Sustainability and Transformation Partnership

HICM – High Impact Change Model

H&CRB – Health and Care Resilience Board

HWBB – Health and Wellbeing Board

ICP - Integrated Care Partnership

ICS - Integrated Care System

IT – Information Technology

JCSG – Joint Commissioning Strategic Group

JSNA - Joint Strategic Needs Assessment

KPI – Key Performance Indicator

LCHRE – Local Care and Health Record Exemplar

LSR - Local System Review

MADE - Multi-Agency Discharge Events

NHS - National Health Service

NYC – North Yorkshire Constabulary

NYCC – North Yorkshire County Council

OD – Organisational Development

OT – Occupational Therapy

PCN – Primary Care Network

SCIE - Social Care Institute for Excellence

STP - Sustainability and Transformations Partnerships

S117 – Section 117 (of the Mental Health Act 1983)

TEWV – Tees, Esk and Wear Valleys NHS Mental Health Foundation Trust

VOYCCG – Vale of York Clinical Commissioning Group

YTHFT - York Teaching Hospital NHS Foundation Trust