

Report To: Shadow Health and Wellbeing Board – 23 May 2012

Subject: Safe and Sustainable Programme – Briefing for Manchester Health and Wellbeing Board

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1. Summary

- 1.1 This paper aims to give an overview of the latest progress being made with the Safe & Sustainable Programme and requests the Board to consider its role in the programme.
- 1.2 The Safe & Sustainable Programme, led by NHS Greater Manchester aims to work with partners in the NHS, local authority and voluntary sector to co-design a clinically-led strategy that puts forward options for new ways of providing health and care services in Greater Manchester in a number of priority areas. The programme is increasingly being viewed within the context of whole system public sector reform across Greater Manchester.

2. Local Authority Engagement

- 2.1 Discussions have taken place with Local Authority colleagues before and since the launch of the programme on 1st February 2012. This has included discussions with the AGMA Health Commission and leaders who have championed the principle of joint clinical and civic leadership, recognising the shared agenda to improve health outcomes and develop sustainable health and social care system.
- 2.2 The Greater Manchester Overview & Scrutiny Committee has been briefed on the programme and the offer made to local Scrutiny Committees to attend meetings to provide a briefing.
- 2.3 A number of clinical workstreams have been established as part of the Safe & Sustainable programme. As part of the programme's governance arrangements, the leadership team of each workstream will comprise a Clinical Commissioning Lead (as the Chair), clinical champion and a local government colleague. Nominations for these roles are currently being sought.

3. Progress to date

- 3.1 Clinical congresses have been established or existing clinical networks are being used to manage the clinical workstreams. They will be responsible for identifying the workstream case for change and the optimum patient pathways that meet national policy and best practice taking account of local priorities and needs. Work is currently underway to develop the case for change and identify where change is needed.

- 3.2 It is recognised that there needs to be a balance between changes that need to, and can, be made locally against those that need to be made at a Greater Manchester level. This analysis will help define the scope of the Safe and Sustainable Programme. It is expected that the local JSNA and local commissioning strategy will influence the Safe and Sustainable strategy to ensure local priorities are met.

4. Public discussion

- 4.1 A period of discussion with the public is being planned, due to start in July 2012, covering broad themes, preparing the ground for the changes that may go forward to public consultation from Spring 2013. These warm up themes are likely to include what the public want from their health services, why change is needed, the benefits of shifting care out of hospital, the benefits of centralising specialist services et. It would be beneficial if the Health & Well Being Board could help to shape this discussion locally, fitting into their own engagement mechanisms.

5. Recommendation

- 5.1 It is requested that the HWB Board consider:
- how they wish to be involved going forward with the Safe & Sustainable programme
 - how the board is represented within the S&S workstreams
 - how the board can support active local engagement with the public through open discussion with the public regarding public sector reform.