

Gwent Regional Provider Forum

15 July 2014

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RCC Representatives Present

Name	Role (Organisation)
Neil Binnell	Provider Rep – Long term services (Monmouthshire HA)
Louise Evans	Provider Rep – Deputy (Gofal)
Sam Lewis	Provider Rep – Short term services (Llamau)
Angela Lee	Gwent Regional Development Coordinator

RCC Representatives Apologies

Name	Organisation
Kath Moore	Provider Rep – Deputy (Gwalia Care and Support)
Rhian Stone	Provider Rep – Short term services (Solas)

Present

Name	Organisation
Catherine Hayman	Abbeyfield Wales
Claire Pritchard	Care Management Group
Gemma Riley	Care Management Group
Nicola Evans	Cymorth Cymru
Dawn Hallmark James	Gwalia
Colin Jones	Gwalia Care and Support (RPF Chair)
Jane Kirby	Hafan Cymru
Jan Stoneman	Hafan Cymru
Helen Jones	Hafod Care
Richard Sheahan	Linc Cymru
Michelle Brewer	Melin
Ruth Barlow	Monmouthshire CC
Tracy Finnis	Monmouthshire Council (RPF Vice Chair)
Sarah Burt	Newport City Homes
Tori Brown	Newport WA
John Glennon	Reach
Dave Chapman	Solas
Lisa Payne	Solas
Anthony Rowson	Tai Calon
Helen Swain	Torfaen WA
Marie Williams	TVA
Teri Webster	TVA
Karen King	UWHA
Andrew Burns	UWHA

Apologies

Name	Organisation
Mariam Elmrgham	Bawso
Chris Paul	Reach

Agenda Item	Action
Welcome and forum overview:	

<p>Colin Jones chaired the meeting and conducted welcomes and introductions.</p> <p>PRF Governance:</p> <p><u>Minutes of the last meeting</u> Minutes were agreed as correct.</p> <p><u>Nominated person(s) per organisation</u> It was agreed at a previous RPF that each provider org would nominated 1 or 2 people to attend each RPF. The attendees should be someone who is able to make decisions for the organisation and have a strategic role/knowledge.</p> <p>Nicola Evans requested nominations from those orgs that had not yet given the names of their nominated individuals.</p>	
<p>General SP Update</p> <p><u>Cuts</u> The group were informed of the SPNAB decision to top slice the LA allocations to fund the longitudinal study and the shortfall in funding for the RDCs up until April 2015. Every LA has lost just under £15,000 of funding. Concerns have been raised around the fairness of top slicing (i.e. some regions with more LAs are funding a higher proportion than regions with fewer LAs).</p> <p>The RDC for Gwent, Angela Lee, is seconded to the post until Jan 2015. It is hoped that a further decision will be made on the long term security of the RDC role in the next few months.</p> <p>Concerns were raised around SP now being used to fund posts whereas this has not been allowed previously.</p> <p>It was acknowledged that the reduction on funding has meant that the gains that were expected will not happen (i.e. new service will not be commissioned).</p> <p>Concerns raised around the use of consultants. It was noted that the Miller report into SP was likely to be published in October.</p> <p><u>Older people</u> Providers were informed that some SP regions had formed sub groups to take forward the older people's services work. In Gwent, there is a work plan but a more detailed report from each LA will be going to the next RCC. The Gwent RCC will then decide whether a group is needed to take the work forward.</p> <p>Concern raised that tenure neutral sheltered accommodation won't result in huge savings due to the ageing population and likely increase in demand for dementia services.</p>	<p>Update to be requested from each LA on cuts</p> <p>Older person's recommendation should come back to the RCC to give a regional perspective</p>
<p>Providers Update from RCC 23rd April – RDC Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Feedback from providers on 3 areas 	

<p><u>Learning Disability</u> Plans to look at making savings in Caerphilly by working with social services.</p> <p><u>Substance misuse</u> Issue was that many services work with drugs and alcohol users but this is not the primary focus of the service i.e. not what it is commissioned for. RCC will look at making stronger links with area planning board around substance misuse.</p> <p><u>Service use involvement framework</u> A multi agency task and finish group has been set up which has met with service users. Service users want to feed in via social media. RCC to agree on how they want service users' views fed back.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gwent directory of SP funded services <p>Looking at an online version on the Gwent RCC website.</p>	
<p>Consistency around Contract Terms & Conditions: provider asks</p> <p>See flipcharts???</p> <p>Issues raised:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No reference to voids in new guidance • Claw backs on a quarterly basis • Newport has annual claw backs • North Wales agreed annual claw backs – why can't Gwent do the same? • Want to move towards regional contracts • Want discussion around inconsistency of contracts 	
<p>Outcomes – what are the issues from providers?</p> <p>See flipcharts??</p> <p>Issues raised:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Don't get any feedback from SNAP • Some providers have had meetings with SP to highlight errors • Massive amount of time being spent on completing outcomes – is it actually being used? • Concerns that outcomes are being used to compare schemes • Need consistency at an organisational level • Distance travelled is more important than the 1-5 scale • Difficult for long term services to use outcomes • Outcomes was not designed to give the Minister what he needs in terms of cost savings • Outcomes are being used as a comparison between 	<p>RCC need to set up a task and finish group to look at outcomes</p>

schemes.	
<p>Transforming Rehabilitation Update</p> <p>1st June = removal of local probation. Now just a National Probation Service and 1 CRC in Wales. Every prisoner will now have a mentor.</p>	
<p>RCC agenda – what do providers want raised at RCC</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RDC long term funding – what is the RCC doing around this 	
<p>Social enterprise directory</p> <p>Details on social enterprises to be sent to Angela Lee. RCC will look at the document.</p>	
<p>AOB</p> <p>No other business brought to the attention for the group</p>	
<p>Dates of next meeting:</p> <p>15th October - Torfaen, Power Station Cwmbran</p>	