

Regulated Care Sector STP Workstream

Programme Briefing and Key Messages

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Welcome to the latest edition of the Regulated Care Sector STP Workstream Programme briefing which aims to keep stakeholders informed and up to date about the work of this group and other items relevant to this sector.

Web-based Quality tool

Through the work of the Quality of Care workstream, it was identified that there was a pressing need for a joint health and social care quality assurance system. This would support the work of both Local Authority and CCG quality and safeguarding services in jointly commissioning & assuring high quality care. Following a procurement process a web-based quality system has been selected and we are now in the process of working with the software provider to plan the implementation of this across the STP area. The outcome is another example of fantastic partnership working, not just between member organisations of the STP, but also with our care homes, who supported us in piloting a tool that highlighted our requirements prior to the full procurement stage.

Once implemented in care homes, the next focus is on how we work with our care at home providers to implement a similar tool.

Apprenticeship Levy

From April 2018, 10% of annual funds of apprenticeship levy will be able to be transferred to other organisations to pay for their apprenticeship training and assessment. Apprenticeship service funds can be transferred to support employers in the local health and social care system, help a charitable organisation or support the skills base within the local wider economy.

ESFA has published information on how the transfer process will work:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/transferring-apprenticeship-service-funds>

Apprenticeship Week 5th to 9th March 2018

During the week employers and apprentices from across England have celebrated the success of apprenticeships whilst encouraging even more people to choose apprenticeships as a pathway to a great career.

Risedale Residential & Nursing Homes are leading the way on apprenticeships & 'growing their own care' in Morecambe Bay & surrounding areas – please view the video below for more details:

<http://www.healthierlsc.co.uk/news/latest-news/risedale-residential-and-nursing-homes-leading-way-apprenticeships>

Trainee Nursing Associate places

Through collaboration with NHS partner organisations and Higher Education Institutions across the STP, a number of Trainee Nursing Associate places have been secured in the third wave pilot cohort commencing June 2018 for Nursing Homes across Pennine-Lancs. The trainees will be supported as part of the wider East Lancashire Hospitals NHS Trust Trainee Nursing Associate cohort. This fantastic opportunity builds on the excellent partnership working that has been developed and nurtured with East Lancashire Hospitals Trust who have supported the regulated care sector for a number of years through the provision of a comprehensive, free of charge education programme.

This exciting scheme will pave the way for experienced and valued care staff to embark on new career pathways whilst creating opportunities for improved workforce skill mix solutions within the sector.

General Data Protection Regulation

The European General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) will come into force on May 25th 2018. It will change how businesses and public sector organisations can handle the information of customers. The following guidance has been released by NHS England:



preparing-for-the-gdpr-12-steps.pdf

Regulated Care Sector Workstream granted engagement funds

The Regulated Care Sector Integrated Care System Partners has a vision to close the workforce gap, bringing the fastest and slowest programmes of action together to provide optimum support in growing and sustaining a workforce for now and in the future. The challenge as a system is to work collectively to stabilise the current workforce, accelerate workforce development and develop the Sector in becoming a modern model employer of choice.

In collaboration with Health Education England the Workstream have been awarded funds to drive the following 3 objectives:-

- Stabilise the current Workforce
- Accelerate Workforce development
- Develop the sector to be a modern employer of choice

If you want to know more and get involved please email e.williams18@nhs.net

Website development

The Regulated care information on the Healthier Lancashire and South Cumbria website has been updated & populated with additional guides and information:

<http://www.healthierlsc.co.uk/regulated-care-sector>

We are currently collating items for the website and would like to ask you to share any news, stories or upcoming events – in addition to your ideas of how the website can work for you, any additional information you would like to see added, useful links etc. A feedback form can be found on the website.

Events

Lancashire Care Homes Collaborative Event

An event was held on Thursday 22 February to look at how partnership working is enabling the growth of high quality provision across Lancashire, information was shared from NHS England, Lancs County Council, Morecambe Bay CCG, STP Regulated Care Workstream, Lancashire Care Association & Care Quality Commission.

Jointly hosted by Lancashire County Council and NHS England, the event was designed for sharing information and increasing partnership working across Lancashire.

Workforce Recovery Conversation

Local providers, education institutes & the NHS came together in a follow up discussion regarding Workforce Recovery at Lancaster & Morecambe college, focussing on the key outputs of creating a lifelong career in care and enhancing the image of the sector with an absolute recognition the sector can do more as partners together.

As part of the next steps there is to be an event held on Sat 16th June at Lancaster & Morecambe College for the local community & workforce, the strap line is “Amazing People/Amazing Lives/Amazing Futures”

The idea is to bring together care providers and employers, education institutes, the job centre and the CCG to encourage people into health and social care as career and to promote its image, aimed simply to inspire, present, motivate and encourage the community to follow a career within care.

This model of engagement will be evaluated in order to be cascaded into the wider Integrated Care System workforce activity.

More details will follow, if you'd like to get involved, please email e.williams18@nhs.net

Question and Queries

This briefing is for use within your own organisation and across your local system, for discussion and information. Please feel free to include it on meeting agendas and circulation lists as you see fit.

If you have any questions or queries please contact e.williams18@nhs.net and we will endeavour to respond as soon as is practicable.