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Health Check Bus

The Health Check Bus is commissioned by BHWP and core funded by Birmingham City Council, South Birmingham PCT and Birmingham East and North PCT. Each has taken out a block contract to use the bus for an agreed number of days each year. All other organisations will be charged £250 per day, though concessions may be available on application.

The Bus can now only be booked through Simone Delany at Gateway Family Services, Suite 308, Bradford Court, Bradford Street, Birmingham, B12 0NS on 0121 772 8525.

Upon enquiry a booking form is sent out that includes conclusive terms and conditions. Bookings must be made four weeks in advance of the date required.

It is important for the core contractors use the bus to get full value from the block contract.

The bus is provided with a driver only. It is the responsibility of the organisation making the booking to staff the bus and provide the necessary equipment. Contacts for trained staff such as CVD screening nurses and smoking cessation advisors are also included on the booking form.

For more information please contact: Suzanne Bridges on 0121 465 2978

Structure and Business Process for BHWP Team

Angela Saganowska, Interim Director of BHWP, has been reviewing the infrastructure and the business processes of the BHWP Team. The Executive received a progress report on the following: financial management; HR policies and processes; administrative support to thematic work; and communication / marketing. A final report is to be presented to the August Executive.

A web site dedicated to BHWP initiatives that fully engage the PCTs, local authority, and third sector, is to be developed and will include a document archive facility accessed via secure login. The web site should be ready for launch by September 2008.

For more information please contact: Angela Saganowska on 0121 465 2983

Area Based Grants (ABGs)

Jayne Bench, Head of Finance for Be Birmingham, delivered a presentation on Area Based Grants. ABGs are, in effect BCC pooled funding arrangements, comprising of previously ring-fenced grants. An ABG can be rolled over in a 3-year programme and is linked to the delivery of the Local Area Agreement (in other words, it does not need to be fully spent in any one financial year). 2008/9 is being treated as a transitional year. The Executive will all receive copies of recent BCC cabinet papers as a basis for future discussion. Jayne informed the Executive of work being commissioned by Be Birmingham on Finance Mapping across the Local Strategic Partnership. It was agreed that BHWP requires further information on this, and to engage Finance Directors in the process to ensure its position with the BHWP's 3-year strategy around planning processes.

For further information please contact: Jayne Bench on 0121 464 7152

Joint Strategic Needs Assessment

The Executive formally approved the JSNA. The JSNA website, which will be operational by mid-July, will include links to Be Birmingham and BHWP.

It was suggested that BHWP undertake a 'mini self-assessment' with the aim of assessing partnership work in the context of the World Class Commissioning assurance framework. This is to be discussed at the DoCs meeting on 26th June.

For further information contact Moira Dumma on 0121 442 5626

Local Area Agreement

- The final draft of the LAA was presented.
- The following targets have now been agreed for the Be Healthy sections of the LAA:
 - Life Expectancy
 - Smoking
 - End of Life Care
 - Direct Payments
 - Obesity in Primary School-aged children in Year 6 (joint target with CYP)
 - Delayed Transfer of Care
 - Carers Support
- It was agreed that the three PCTs will work closely on All Cause All Age Mortality (ACAM) and smoking targets.
- Sean Connolly will produce an explicit final position statement on the LAA agreements and that this will be circulated to the Executive and all Heads of Performance of each organisation.

For further information please contact: Sean Connolly on 0121 465 2980

Annual Planning / Delivery Plans

BHWP is beginning to develop its annual plan and revise its governance arrangements with the aim to provide clarity on the following themes that have been identified as partnership priorities. A PCT Chief Executive or the Strategic Director for Adults and Communities will lead each theme:

- Reducing Health Inequalities (Sandy Bradbrook)
- Personalised Care and Wellbeing (Sophia Christie)
- Joint Commissioning (Peter Hay)
- Needs assessment/service user experience/community engagement (Maira Dumba)

It was agreed that:

- Each Theme is to hold a workshop within the next 4-6 weeks.
- Further discussion is required on Supporting People to ensure partnership delivery arrangements
- Each Thematic lead Chief Executive will provide a short strategic narrative for their Theme within the next 2 weeks.
- BHWP to look at an interim external supplier re: information needs if there is insufficient capacity in the PHIT. Thematic leads to identify information needs.
- In recognition of the size and complexity of work, additional capacity agreed to assist Peter Hay to programme manage the joint commissioning theme.

A further BHWP workshop will be arranged in September, initially to review overall progress and will include DoFs as well as Thematic/work-stream leads. The draft annual plan will be launched to the Partnership at the next Summit, which is scheduled for 6 November.

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Employment and Health

The Executive received a progress report from the Improving Health Increasing Employment (IHIE) Programme Board and agreed the programme management arrangements and comprehensive delivery plan.

The Executive considered priorities funded by the Working Neighbourhood Fund (WNF). Guidance and planning templates are still being awaited from Be Birmingham. Ideally, priorities should be generated from Themes, but it was acknowledged these are in an early stage of development.

Approved priorities were:

- Health promotion and screening in the workplace
- Health and Care Employment skills and training
- Economic aspects of Older People's wellbeing
- Infrastructure for Need /Engagement Theme

Further information will be circulated once Be Birmingham guidance is received.

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