

Better Care Fund - Draft Proposal

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Better Care Fund

- The ambition is that the Better Care Fund will provide the opportunity to transform care so that people receive better coordinated care and support.
- It will also help with demographic pressures in adult social care.
- It is seen as a catalyst for the integration agenda enabling it to be implemented “at scale and pace”.
- To access the BCF Croydon Council with Croydon CCG will need to develop a draft local plan by March 2014 covering the 2 years 2014/15 and 2015/16.

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BCF Timescales – a challenge

- Initial high level notification from NHS England/LGA - October 2013.
- Detailed guidance – 20th December 2013
- Changes to BCF “Pay by Performance” - 10th February 2014
- Submission of Draft BCF Submission – 14th February 2014
- NHS England assurance process – March 2014
- Final BCF Submission – 4th April 2014

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Not Starting from Scratch

- Croydon Council DASHH ,Croydon CCG, and health and social care providers have been working in partnership to transform health and social care services across the whole system to reduce pressure on Croydon acute services, and deliver improved patient client outcomes.

Including:

- G.P Network Multi Disciplinary Teams
- Rapid Response
- Reablement
- Integrated Commissioning Unit

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BCF - Croydon Challenges

- Croydon CCG – Financial Challenge: 5 year recovery plan (2103-18) to deliver £65.9m savings.
 - CCG will be required to put £15m from their budget into BCF in 2015/16.
 - Based on the draft BCF Plan this will add approximately £3m to their current efficiency programme.
- Croydon Council – Has already had to make efficiencies of £100m and is facing an additional £100m reduction in its budget between 2015-18.
 - Increasing pressures on social care budgets.
 - Potential impact of the Care Bill
- Croydon Health partners – budget pressures.

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Preparing for BCF – Impact of Challenges

- Complex piece of work to complete in timescales
- Need to plan for BCF jointly.
- Consider impact on existing financial planning
- Continue to develop services started through transformation programmes.
- Need to manage transformation required under BCF

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BCF – Draft Proposal Funding and Metrics

- These have posed the greatest challenge to both the Council and the CCG.
- Draft BCF allocations have been provided at today's meeting
- Draft Metrics have been provided at today's meeting – these have been difficult due to the “pay by performance” element of BCF – now scrapped!

BCF – Next Steps

To reach agreement on the Better Care Fund for Croydon by April 2014, the following steps will be completed:

- Negotiation of the level of existing CCG commitments that the fund will support, and therefore the available resources for new investment in 2015/16;
- Finalise the specific targets against each metric for Croydon patients;
- Quantification of the financial benefit to the NHS (CCG) of achieving the stated metrics e.g. reduced admissions to acute hospital setting;
- Quantify how social care will be protected under BCF and how BCF will contribute to meeting stated metrics and social care efficiencies;
- Proposed service investment to secure delivery of the agreed metrics;

Thank-you for listening.

Questions?

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