



HEALTH & WELLBEING BOARD

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ITEM 10

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Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment Update

Purpose

- 1.1 To update the Health and Wellbeing Board (HWB) on progress of the requirement to prepare and publish a revised Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (PNA) by 1 October 2022.
- 1.2 To inform the HWB that a draft PNA has been prepared and that a public consultation is now underway.

Recommendations

- 2.1 The Board is asked to note the progress in preparing a revised PNA and that it is on track to be published by 1 October 2022.
- 2.2 The Board is asked to note that the PNA covering both Derby and Derbyshire Health and Wellbeing Board areas is now out for public consultation.

Reason

- 3.1 To support the HWB in delivering its statutory responsibility to prepare and publish a revised PNA by 1 October 2022.

Supporting information

- 4.1 The Health and Social Care Act 2012 amended the National Health Services Act 2006 and transferred the responsibility for developing and revising Pharmaceutical Needs Assessments (PNAs) from Primary Care Trusts (PCTs) to Health and Wellbeing Boards (HWBs). The production of a PNA became the responsibility of Derby Health and Wellbeing Board from 1 April 2013.
- 4.2 The pharmaceutical services to which each pharmaceutical needs assessment must relate are all the pharmaceutical services that may be provided under arrangements made by NHS England.
- 4.3 Responsibility for using PNAs as the basis for determining market entry to a pharmaceutical list transferred from PCTs to NHS England from 1 April 2013.

- 4.4 In accordance with regulations, each Health and Wellbeing Board must:
- Assess needs for pharmaceutical services in its area.
 - Publish a statement of its first assessment and of any revised assessment.
- 4.5 The development of a PNA is a separate duty to that of developing a Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA). PNAs are to inform commissioning decisions of local authorities (public health services from community pharmacies), NHS England and Integrated Care Systems (ICSs).
- 4.6 Schedule 1 Regulation 4(1) of The National Health Service (Pharmaceutical and Local Pharmaceutical Services) Regulations 2013 sets out the minimum information that must be contained in a PNA which in summary is:
- Necessary services: current provision.
 - Necessary services: gaps in provision.
 - Other relevant services: current provision.
 - Improvements and better access: gaps in provision.
 - Other NHS services.
 - How the assessment was carried out.
 - Map of provision.
- 4.7 The HWB is required to prepare and publish a revised PNA by 1 October 2022. The Derby and Derbyshire PNA Steering Group has overseen the development of a revised PNA, currently in draft form.
- 4.8 HWBs must consult the bodies set out in the NHS (Pharmaceutical Services and Local Pharmaceutical Services) Regulations 2013 at least once during the process of developing the PNA and ensure that:
- There is a minimum period of 60 days for consultation responses; and
 - Those being consulted will be directed to a website address containing the draft PNA but can, if they request, be sent an electronic or hard copy version.
- 4.9 The draft Derby and Derbyshire PNA is currently out for consultation which is open between 23 June and 21 August 2022. The draft PNA and consultation survey can be accessed here: <https://letstalk.derby.gov.uk/pharmaceutical-needs-assessment-consultation>
- 4.10 Feedback from the consultation will be incorporated into the final PNA document before its publication by 1 October 2022.
- 4.11 The HWB will receive the final PNA document for review and approval for publication at the September meeting of the Board.

Public/stakeholder engagement

- 5.1 It is required that the draft PNA is consulted upon for a minimum period of 60 days. The Derby and Derbyshire Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment 2022-2025: Draft for Consultation is open for public consultation between 23 June and 21 August 2022.

Other options

- 6.1 The production of two separate PNAs covering each of the HWB of Derby and Derbyshire was considered. This would require an unnecessary duplication of effort both in terms of those preparing the documents and those required to be involved and consulted on as part of the process. This option was therefore disregarded.

Financial and value for money issues

- 7.1 None.

Legal implications

- 8.1 The Health and Social Care Act 2012 amended the National Health Services Act 2006 and transferred the responsibility for developing and revising Pharmaceutical Needs Assessments (PNAs) from Primary Care Trusts (PCTs) to Health and Wellbeing Boards (HWBs). The production of a PNA became the responsibility of Derby Health and Wellbeing Board from 1 April 2013.

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Climate implications

- 9.1 None.

Other significant implications

- 10.1 None.

This report has been approved by the following officers:

Role	Name	Date of sign-off
Legal Finance Service Director(s) Report sponsor Other(s)	Robyn Dewis, Director of Public Health	19/07/2022

<p>Background papers:</p> <p>List of appendices:</p>	<p>Department of Health (2013) <i>Pharmaceutical needs assessments: Information Pack for local authority Health and Wellbeing Boards</i>. (Link: https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/197634/Pharmaceutical_Needs_Assessment_Information_Pack.pdf)</p> <p>Department of Health (2013) <i>The NHS (Pharmaceutical Services and Local Pharmaceutical Services) Regulations 2013</i> (Link: http://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2013/349/contents/made)</p> <p>Department of Health and Social Care (2021) <i>Pharmaceutical needs assessments Information pack for local authority health and wellbeing boards</i>. (Link: https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1029805/pharmaceutical-needs-assessment-information-pack.pdf)</p>
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IMPLICATIONS

Financial and Value for Money

- 1.1 None.

Legal

- 2.1 The Health and Social Care Act 2012 amended the National Health Service Act 2006 transferring responsibility for preparing, revising and publishing PNAs to Health and Wellbeing Boards (statutory sub-committee of the local authority). The NHS (Pharmaceutical Services and Local Pharmaceutical Services) Regulations 2013 set out the legislative basis for developing and updating PNAs.

Personnel

- 3.1 None.

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- 4.1 None.

Equalities Impact

- 5.1 The PNA sets out local need for pharmaceutical services and includes consideration of inequalities in health outcomes and access to pharmaceutical services.

Health and Safety

- 6.1 None.

Environmental Sustainability

- 7.1 None.

Property and Asset Management

- 8.1 None.

Risk Management

- 9.1 The timeframe for publication in April 2018 is tight especially given the consultation period. A working group will be in place, however, to ensure timely delivery but should there be any concerns about delivering to time the HWB will be alerted.

Corporate objectives and priorities for change

- 10.1 The production of a PNA will support the delivery of corporate objectives, particularly those relating to health and wellbeing and support identification of priorities for change.

