



HEALTH & WELLBEING BOARD
8th September 2022

ITEM 09

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Update of the Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment

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 final PNA has been prepared incorporating feedback from the public consultation.

Recommendation

- 2.1 The Board is asked to approve the Derby and Derbyshire Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment 2022-2025 for publication by 1 October 2022.

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 Boards (ICBs).
- 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 As per requirements, the draft Derby and Derbyshire PNA was out for consultation for 60 days between 23 June and 21 August 2022. Responses received through the consultation have been incorporated within the final document.
- 4.8 The HWB is required to prepare and publish the revised PNA by 1 October 2022. The Derby and Derbyshire PNA Steering Group has overseen the development of the updated PNA and is assured that it meets stipulated requirements.
- 4.9 A final version of Derby and Derbyshire Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment 2022-2025 is prepared and ready for publication.

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	30/08/2022

Background papers: List of appendices:	<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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