

9th January 2014**Agenda Item: 9****REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH****PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES PERFORMANCE AND QUALITY
REPORT FOR HEALTH CONTRACTS****Purpose of the Report**

1. This report provides a summary of the performance and quality data relating to the Public Health contracts that are commissioned by Nottinghamshire County Council for Quarter One and Quarter Two 2013/14.

Information and Advice

2. The Public Health contracts and performance team continue to receive performance and quality data in relation to all the Public Health contracts.
3. The data is presented by provider at a service level. Data requirements do not include locality level information.
4. Public Health is able to scrutinise locality outcomes through conducting Health Equity Audits.
5. A schedule of contract review meetings has been implemented. An aim of these meetings is to review performance and quality issues and agree any actions plans to rectify under or over performance.

Key Issues

6. An overview of the contracts where there are current performance issues are summarised in a table and is included as Appendix One.
7. This shows the main areas of concern are in relation to:
 - NHS Health Checks – GPs
 - Genito-Urinary Medicine – Sherwood Forest Hospital Foundation Trust and Doncaster & Bassetlaw Hospitals
 - Alcohol and Drug Misuse – The Recovery Partnership and Regents House
 - Children and Young People – Healthy Schools, County Health Partnership
 - Seasonal Mortality – Nottingham Energy Partnership

- Tobacco Control – Four week smoking quitter figure; GPs, Community Pharmacists and Bassetlaw Stop Smoking Service.

8. A summary of the issues and actions that are being taken is included in the table.
9. There is currently no data for the School Nursing contract with County Health Partnership. The Children's Integrated Commissioning Hub is working with the provider to resolve this issue and ensure timely and accurate data is provided in the future.
10. Detailed information regarding all commissioned services is included as Appendix Two. The services are grouped together in relation to the Public Health function that they relate to. Details and remedial actions, key issues affecting delivery, actions to address the issues and whether there have been any quality and safety issues in relation to the contract then follow.

Reason/s for Recommendation/s

11. The recommendation is made to support future development of performance and quality reporting for Public Health Services contracts.

Statutory and Policy Implications

12. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of crime and disorder, finance, human resources, human rights, the NHS Constitution, the public sector equality duty, safeguarding of children and vulnerable adults, service users, sustainability and the environment and ways of working and where such implications are material they are described below. Appropriate consultation has been undertaken and advice sought on these issues as required.

Financial Implications

13. Robust performance and quality reporting ensures that financial implications are monitored and reviewed effectively to minimise financial risk to the council.

Implications in relation to the NHS Constitution

14. Regard has been taken to the NHS Constitution together with all relevant guidance issued by the Secretary of State in formulating the recommendation.

Public Sector Equality Duty implications

15. Monitoring of the contracts ensures providers of services comply with their equality duty.

Implications for Service Users/Safeguarding of Children and Vulnerable Adults Implications

16. The performance and quality monitoring and reporting of contracts is a mechanism for providers to assure commissioners regarding patient safety and quality of service.

RECOMMENDATION

17. That the Public Health Committee receives the report and note the performance and quality information provided in Appendices One and Two.

Appendix One: Summary of main areas of concerns/issues regarding Public Health contracts.

Appendix Two: Quarter Two Report (July – September 2013/14).

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Constitutional Comments (KK 11/12/2013)

18. Because this report is for noting only, no Constitutional Comments are required.

Financial Comments (ZKM 11/12/2013)

19. There are no financial implications arising from this report.

Background Papers and Published Documents

None

Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

All