

4th October 2017

Agenda Item: 8

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH

REFRESH OF THE PHARMACEUTICAL NEEDS ASSESSMENT

Purpose of the Report

1. To describe the process so far in the refresh of the Nottinghamshire Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment 2018-2020 and secure approval to launch the formal stakeholder consultation.

Information and Advice

2. A statutory function of the Health and Wellbeing Board is to produce and maintain a Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (PNA). The current PNA is due to be refreshed and published by April 2018. The current PNA can be accessed [here](#).
3. The purpose of the PNA is to:-
 - Identify the pharmaceutical services currently available and assess whether those meet current and future needs for pharmaceutical services.
 - Inform the planning and commissioning of pharmacy services by identifying specific needs within the local population.
 - Inform decision making in response to applications made to NHS England by pharmacists and dispensing doctors to provide a new pharmacy. The organisation that will make these decisions is NHS England.
4. The PNA is a statutory document that is used by NHS England to agree changes to the commissioning of local pharmaceutical services. As such, if NHS England receives a legal challenge to the services they commission based on the PNA, the local authority could also be part of that legal challenge. It is essential that the process which is followed meets the legislation that is set out and that the PNA is a robust document.
5. The first PNAs were published by NHS primary care trusts in 2011. From April 2013, Health and Wellbeing Boards have been responsible for developing PNAs as specified in the Health and Social Care Act 2012.
6. The PNA is a separate statutory duty from the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA). The aim of the JSNA is to improve the health and wellbeing of the local community and reduce inequalities for all ages. It is used to determine what actions local partners need to take to

meet health and social care needs and to improve health outcomes and address health inequalities. The preparation of the PNA should take account of the JSNA and other local relevant strategies.

7. Pharmaceutical providers detailed in the PNA include pharmacy contractors (community pharmacies), dispensing appliance contractors and dispensing doctors.

Progress to date

8. This report includes an overview of the plan to refresh the PNA in time for publication in April 2018. The plan was approved by the Health and Wellbeing Implementation Group (HWIG) on 15th March 2017. The refresh will be carried out according to the requirements of the NHS (Pharmaceutical Services and Local Pharmaceutical Services) Regulations 2013 Part 2 which can be found [here](#).
9. A multi-agency steering group is supporting the development of the PNAs for Nottinghamshire County and Nottingham City. This collaborative approach will increase efficiencies and encourage a wide range of stakeholders to participate in the PNA's development. Separate PNAs will be published, each of which will be signed off by respective Health and Wellbeing Boards. The steering group includes representatives from:-
 - NHS England Area Team Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire
 - NHS England Area Team South Yorkshire and Bassetlaw
 - County CCG representative (for the 6 CCGS) – Medicines Management
 - City CCG representative – Medicines Management
 - Local Pharmaceutical Committee (LPC)
 - Local Medical Committee (LMC)
 - Public Health Intelligence (with support from both City and County)
 - Consultants in Public Health x2 (PNA Sponsor City and County)
 - Public Health Managers x2 (City and County)
10. A PNA working group will complete tasks defined by the steering group. The PNA Steering Group terms of reference can be found in Appendix A.
11. The purpose of the communications and engagement plan (Appendix A) is to ensure the timely delivery of key messages and actions at appropriate stages of PNA development so that HWBs and stakeholders have a clear understanding of the focus, process, and methodology of the PNA and have the opportunity to actively contribute to its development.
12. The PNA is subject to a 60 day statutory consultation period which will start mid-November 2017. Regulation 8 of the Pharmaceutical Services Regulations specifies that the Health and Wellbeing Board must consult with the following :-
 - the Local Pharmaceutical Committee
 - the Local Medical Committee
 - any persons on the pharmaceutical lists and any dispensing doctors list for its area
 - any LPS chemist in its area with whom NHS England has made arrangements for the provision of any local pharmaceutical services

- Healthwatch and any other patient, consumer or community group in its area which in the view of the Health and Wellbeing Board has an interest in the provision of pharmaceutical services in its area
 - any NHS trust or NHS foundation trust in its area
 - NHS England
 - any neighbouring HWB
13. Health and Wellbeing Boards must consult the above at least once during the process of developing the PNA. The PNA public consultation is described in Appendix B.
14. The promotion of the consultation on the draft PNA will be via members of the PNA Steering Group and Health and Wellbeing Board.

Content and Timescales

15. The regulations and guidance documents provide information on the PNA content. A similar approach to that taken in 2015 is proposed but we may seek more innovative ways to present and visualise the data, in order to assist the assessment of potential unmet needs.
16. It should be noted that during the period leading up to the finalisation of the PNA 2018 the Government's decisions regarding "Community pharmacy in 2016/17 and beyond" will have started to be implemented. The impact of these changes will become apparent during the refresh of the PNA and there will need to be a thorough understanding of the implications for the PNA.
17. Appendix C also provides the project timescales. The project plan is tight with respect to delivering a signed off PNA by the 31st March 2018. The Public Health Manager will monitor this and report any issues of concern to the PNA Steering Group.

Statutory and Policy Implications

18. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of crime and disorder, finance, human resources, human rights, the NHS Constitution (Public Health only), 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.

RECOMMENDATION/S

The Health and Wellbeing Board is requested:

- 1) To approve the PNA communication and engagement plan and the PNA public consultation.

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Constitutional Comments (LMC 22/09/17))

19. The Health and Well Being Board is the appropriate body to consider the content of the report. If Committee resolves that any actions are required it must be satisfied that such actions are within the Committee's terms of reference.

Financial Comments (DG 22/09/17)

20. There are no financial implications arising directly from this report

Background Papers and Published Documents

Except for previously published documents, which will be available elsewhere, the documents listed here will be available for inspection in accordance with Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972.

None or start list here

Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

All or start list here

APPENDIX A: PNA Communication and Engagement Plan

	Message/action	Method	Stakeholders	start date	end date	Frequency	Status
1	PNA plan approval	Paper to HWIG	HWIG/HWB	Mar-17	Mar-17	once	Completed
2	PNA awareness raising	Add article to current PNA website. Add article to local pharmacy bulletin	Pharmacies, HWB, patients & public, health practitioners	Mar-17	Sep-17	to be updated periodically	in progress
3	Share project documents	Set up Knowledge Hub* for PNA SG members	PNA steering group	May-17	Jun-17	continually update as req'd	Completed
4	PNA awareness raising prior to 60 day public consultation	Raise awareness via PNA steering group membership and HWB members - distribute pdf flier Email Web updates	HWBs NHS England Local Pharmaceutical Cmte Local Medical Cmte Pharmacists Dispensing GPs Local authority/councils CCGs GPs Providers Healthwatch Voluntary and Community Sector Patients and public	Sep-17	As	as required	in progress
5	Comments on first draft of PNA	Knowledge Hub*	PNA steering group		20/10/2017	Once	
6	Endorsement of pre-consultation draft of PNA	Knowledge Hub*	PNA steering group		06/11/2017	Once	
7	Public consultation (60 days)	survey monkey Web updates email	See 4 above	Nov-17	Dec-17	as required	

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	Feedback on outcome of consultation	Summary report included as appendix in PNA report	See 4 above		26/01/2018		
9	Knowledge Hub*	Knowledge Hub*	PNA steering group		01/02/2018		
10	Approval of PNA by HWB	PNA report to HWBs	HWB	08/02/2018	07/03/2018		
11	Disseminate final version of PNA	PNA report loaded onto website	See 4 above		30/03/2018		
12	Notification of amendments to PNA	PNA amendments loaded onto website	See 4 above	as req'd	as req'd	as req'd	

* Knowledge Hub was originally developed by local government . It is a free to use platform for public service professionals to connect, collaborate and communicate across public service.

Nottinghamshire County Council Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment Consultation

The local Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (PNA) is a document that outlines services and ensures that pharmaceutical services across Nottinghamshire both meet the needs of the population and that they are in the correct locations to support the residents of Nottinghamshire. Pharmaceutical services are provided by Community Pharmacies, Dispensing GP Practices and Dispensing Appliance Contractors.

Nottinghamshire County Council have a legal duty under Section 8 of The National Health Service (Pharmaceutical and Local Pharmaceutical Services) Regulations 2013 to consult with named organisations as well as the residents of Nottinghamshire on the findings and recommendations for pharmacy services provision.

The PNA is important because it will be used as the basis for informing decisions when applications for new pharmacies are received and for commissioning of new services within community pharmacies.

This consultation will run for 60 days from 13th November 2017 to 12th January 2018.

The Regulations require that the following organisations to be consulted on this draft PNA. In addition the PNA steering group has agreed to consult the local Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs) and GP practices. The full list of consultees is as follows:

Local Pharmaceutical Committee

Local Medical Committee

Persons on the Pharmaceutical List in Nottinghamshire

Dispensing Doctors in Nottinghamshire

Persons on the Pharmaceutical List in Nottinghamshire

Local authority/Council

Local NHS Trusts and NHS Foundation Trusts

Nottinghamshire CCGs

Nottinghamshire GPs

Nottinghamshire Healthwatch

Voluntary and Community Sector

Other patient, consumer or community groups with an interest in provision of pharmaceutical services (CCG patient groups)

NHS England

Nottinghamshire County Health and Wellbeing Board

Neighbouring Health and Wellbeing Boards (Nottingham City, Derbyshire, Leicestershire, Lincolnshire, Doncaster and Rotherham)

Responses from members of the public and other organisations that are not listed above are welcome.

All consultation findings and comments will be summarised to produce the final local PNA document.

We really value your views and would greatly appreciate it if you could spend some time to complete this consultation.

The Draft PNA can be found here **INSERT LINK** A paper copy can be provided on request.

Navigating the Nottinghamshire PNA

The PNA is a large document consisting of 6 sections.

Section 1 is a brief Executive Summary

Section 2 introduces the PNA, describes the processes we followed and includes a description of pharmaceutical services.

Section 3 covers the different types of pharmacy services provided across the county and the determination of geographical areas for our needs assessment.

Section 4 is a demographic profile of the County, setting out the social and environmental context and providing population projections.

Section 5 looks at the health needs of each district in turn and the current pharmaceutical service provision

Section 6 outlines gaps in services and recommendations subject to this consultation

Appendices have been added for additional detailed information.

A full copy of the PNA Regulations can be found here <http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukxi/2013/349/contents/made>

The PNA development guidance is here <http://psnc.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2013/08/PNAs-a-guide-for-local-authorities.pdf>

The online survey is available at **INSERT LINK**

The consultation will run until 12th January 2018.

Further help:

If you need a paper copy or need help completing the survey, please contact Julia Thornborough julia.thornborough@nottscc.gov.uk 0115 9773154.

Nottinghamshire County Council would like to thank you for taking the time to give your responses.

Part A - Your Views

There is an executive summary of the PNA here ([LINK](#)). This also explains the purpose of the PNA.

Do you agree or disagree with the following statements:

Section 1 gives a brief summary of the PNA.

1. The purpose of the PNA is clearly explained.

Agree / Disagree

If you disagree, please say why.

Section 2 describes the process followed.

2. The process of the PNA has been clearly explained.

Agree / Disagree

If you disagree, please say why.

Section 3 provides an overview of pharmaceutical services in Nottinghamshire.

3. The services are clearly described.

Agree / Disagree

If you disagree, please say why.

Section 4 provides a demographic profile of the County

4. The demographics of the population have been clearly described.

Agree / Disagree

If you disagree, please say why.

Section 5 looks at the health needs of the population in each of the 7 districts in turn for assessment of need.

5. The PNA provides enough information to assess the current and future (3 years ahead) pharmaceutical need in each district

Agree / Disagree

If you disagree, please say why.

Section 6 sets out recommendations.

6. The PNA recommendations reflect the pharmaceutical need.

Agree / Disagree

If you disagree, please say why.

7. Do you have any other comments? (Please specify below with reference to page and section number)

8. Are you responding.....

On behalf of an organisation – Please complete Part B

As a member of the public – Please complete Part C

Part B - Responding on behalf of an organisation

B1. Please tell us a little bit about yourself.

Job title/Role:

Company/Organisation:

Post code:

B2. Please indicate which type of organisation you represent.

Local Pharmaceutical Committee

Local Medical Committee

Persons on Pharmaceutical List in Nottinghamshire

Dispensing Doctor in Nottinghamshire

Persons on the Pharmaceutical List in Nottinghamshire

Local authority/council

Nottinghamshire Healthwatch

Voluntary or Community Sector organisation

Other patient, consumer or community groups with an interest in provision of pharmaceutical services (CCG patient groups)

Local NHS Trusts and NHS Foundation

NHS England

Nottinghamshire County HWB

Neighbouring HWB

Nottinghamshire CCGs

Nottinghamshire GP

Other

If other (please specify)

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Part C - Responding as a member of the public

C1. Please tell us a little bit about yourself.

Name:

Post code: