




Haringey Council

Agenda item:

[No.]

Overview and Scrutiny

On 10th January 2008

Report Title: Sexual Health and HIV Strategy	
Report of: The Director of Adult, Culture and Community Services	
Wards(s) affected: All	Report for: Information
1. Purpose (That is, the decision required) 1.1 This report provides an update on the local implementation of the National Sexual Health and HIV Strategy.	
2. Recommendations 2.1 That Members note the content of this report.	
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3. Director of Finance Comments 3.1 The Director of Finance has been consulted and there are no specific financial implications contained within this report. The Aids support grant is a specific ring-fenced grant which is £388k in 07/08. The grant for 2008-09 and future years have yet to be allocated.	
4. Acting Head of Legal Services Comments 4.1 The local authority has powers and duties provide services to people with HIV or AIDs under various pieces of legislation. These include the duty to assess need under the NHS & Community Care Act 1990, the power to provide residential/nursing home accommodation under S.21 National Assistance Act 1948, the power to provide non-accomodation services under S.2 Chronically Sick & Disabled Persons Act 1970, and the power to provide domiciliary and community-based services under the NHS Act 1977 S.21 & Schedule 8.	

5. Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

5.1 None

5.2 None

6. Strategic Implications

6.1 The National strategy was the first policy response to increasing HIV/Sexually Transmitted Infection (STI) in the United Kingdom. The National Strategy 2001 reflects the principles of the NHS Plan and was part of nation wide investment and reform to modernise sexual health services. The focus being on tackling Inequalities and providing services around patients needs.

7. Financial Implications

7.1 There are no financial implications associated with this report. The programme is primarily funded from the NHS apart from the provision of social care service which is fully funded through a specific AIDS Support Grant to the Local Authority.

8. Legal Implications

9.1 To Follow – likely to reflect the Local Authority need to provide care and support under the CSDPA, NA and NHS and Community Care legislation

9. Equalities Implications

9.1 Sexual Health affects all aspects of population, there are however some groups considered to be at higher risk of infection and the National Strategy and local action plan are targeted at these groups.

10. Consultation

10.1 The National Strategy has been widely consulted upon as has the local response.

11. Background

11.1 The National Strategy set out aims to reduce STI/HIV, reduce prevalence of undiagnosed HIV, reduce teenage pregnancy and improve social care for people with HIV/address stigma associated with HIV/STI.

11.2 The Strategy was followed by a toolkit to support effective health promotion around sexual health. The toolkit recognised the range of people taking on a health promotion role around HIV and sexual health and aims to provide a 'route map' with practical tools to deliver health promotion.

11.3 Haringey and Enfield commissioned a joint strategy (2005-7) to support implementation of the national strategy locally. This covered a broad range of issues that covered all aspects of sexual and reproductive health and was supported by an extensive action plan. Delivery of our local strategy is under pinned by the development of a local sexual health network.

Local Action Plan (LAP)

11.4 In 2006, the action plan was reviewed and revised. Two long standing working groups were set up to support the Sexual Health Partnership Board (Clinical and Prevention Sub Groups). All three groups developed work plans for 12 months based on the revised action plans (Appendix A attached).

LAP Progress

11.5 Both sub groups have good clinical engagement and are progressing well. The work plans (or 'projects') will be revised next year. Alongside this, the national strategy will be reviewed by MEDFASH and will affect local work programmes. However, our local action plan will continue to develop based largely on local need. There are many cross cutting elements to sexual,/reproductive health as well as HIV which means work programmes tend to continuously develop and build on previous work. It will be the role of the sub groups and partnership board to review and revise work programmes. This will happen between Jan-April 08.

Teen Pregnancy Project

11.6 Members have previously received a comprehensive account of the local Teenage Pregnancy Strategy and therefore it is not included here.

12. Conclusion

12.1 The local response to the National Strategy is well developed and delivering real improvements in how services are being delivered. Partnership working across the sexual health network is good and well placed to further improve services to the people who use them.

13. Use of Appendices / Tables / Photographs

13.1 Appendix A Sexual Health Partnership Action Plan

**Haringey Sexual Health Partnership Board
Proposed Work Programme 2007/8**

Sexual Health Partnership Board

Action	Time/By	Indicator of success	Lead
Review Membership of Sexual Health Partnership Board- including Chair, ensuring appropriate representation.	Oct 07	Appropriate strategic membership and representation on board	Chair
Develop and agree mechanisms to involve service users and the public in the work of the sexual health partnership board	Oct 07	PPI approach agreed and implemented	Chair
Review the governance and communication arrangements of SHPB in relation to the Haringey Strategic Partnership (including links with the Teenage Pregnancy Partnership Board) and cross borough working.	Oct 07	Governance and communication arrangements agreed	Chair
Service provider updates Develop a system for all providers to provide the board with annual feedback on service developments and performance.	Oct 07	All service providers aware of process, timescales and format for yearly reports to board.	Chair

Clinical Sub Group – Work Plan Overview

Action	Indicator of success	Time/By	Lead
Review implementation of MedFASH standards for sexual health services across the sexual health network.	Work plan – leading to Standards adopted with an appropriate mechanism for audit and on-going improvement in place across all sexual and reproductive health services.	Jan 08	tbc
Review HIV secondary prevention services in Haringey. (Scope to be agreed- potentially including community nursing, dietetics, social care, housing, and information and advocacy services).	Review to identify range of services currently commissioned by Haringey TPCT Assessment of local need for services, and review of evidence of effective approaches undertaken Key stakeholders consulted, and options for future commissioning identified and appraised. Final report to TPCT commissioner outlining recommendations for future commissioning.	July 07 Oct 07 Oct 07 Oct 07	PD tbc tbc tbc
Review and develop care pathways between primary care and other sexual health services	Integrated pathways defined between primary care and other sexual health services, including HIV treatment & care and social care	July 07	VH
Develop a strategy to improve access to HIV testing in Haringey, and a business case for commissioning in 2007/8.	HIV testing strategy produced and adopted Business case for investment in 2007/8 developed	Jan 08 July 07	

Prevention Sub Group

Action	Indicator of success	Time/By	Lead
Support implementation of N.I.C.E guidance on 1-1 interventions.	Action plan developed, including training needs Resource implications identified Time scales/leads agreed Implementation process agreed	Oct 07	
Improve access to information on <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • sexual health services in Haringey • contraception and access to free condoms In light of MEDFASH standards and healthcare commission performance indicator	Information needs identified Processes adopted to ensure information is consistently provided, including availability of free condoms	July 07	
Oversee implementation of recommendations from the review of the Haringey Healthy Alliance HIV prevention programme.	Progress against recommendations reviewed	Oct 07	
Make recommendations on the adoption of Haringey-specific sexual health targets/ indicators to inform the next round of Local Area Agreement negotiations.	Local indicators to monitor progress in improving sexual health recommended	July 07	