

Parent Carers Together Feedback Form

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Meeting description: Integrated Care Systems – training session

Where was meeting held: virtual

Date of meeting: 20th May 2021

Start & finish time: 12:00 – 13:00

Any future meeting dates, if known:

Feedback can be in any format; it should contain important points that came out of the meeting, your opinions, any related work that you think overlaps, action points that you might be involved with, any areas of concern. This will be shared with all PCT reps and committee.

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FEEDBACK & COMMENTS *(please use further pages if necessary)*

As part of the NHS Long Term Plan (LTP) work has been underway for all parts of England to be served by an Integrated Care System from April 2021. This work is underway in Dorset, although much is behind the scenes.

Integrated care is about giving people the support they need, joined up across local councils, the NHS, and other partners. It removes traditional divisions between hospitals and family doctors, between physical and mental health, and between NHS and council services.

NHS England & Improvement have now asked Government/Parliament to establish ICS's in law and remove any legal barriers to integrated care for patients and communities.

The LTP also states a commitment to a 'more concerted and systematic approach to reducing health inequalities', with a promise that action on inequalities will be central to everything that the NHS does. SEND comes under this, so it is important to remember this when working with Parent Carers.

The assumption is that ICS's will join up local authority, CCGs, hospital and community providers. There will also be a new ICS accountability and performance framework that includes patient, carers and public in the measurement of how well integrated the local area is.

What does this mean for PCT?

Within this structure there will be the development of Primary Care Networks (already underway in Dorset) this will make engaging with GPs easier as there will be opportunities to work more closely together.

The continued focus on Learning Disability and annual health checks that GP practices carry out will give an opportunity for forums to raise the profile of disabled children (including those with learning

disability) and help GP practices understand the reasonable adjustments that children with disabilities need.

The continued focus on learning disability and autism also provides leverage for parent carer forums to get involved with the work happening locally and can also be used to highlight how the work around learning disabilities can equally relate to all children with disabilities.

The commitment to personalised care in the NHS is an opportunity to link the work around the Children & Families Act and the NHS. There is significant overlap in the model of personalised care and the SEND reforms (person centred care, supporting/empowering people to make decisions & be involved in their care – section 19 principles, personal budgets, signposting to local support & services – local offer).

Social prescribing is part of the model for personalised care and means anything that can improve a person's health and wellbeing that is not specifically an NHS service. It can include support groups, activity classes, exercise classes or just signposting to local services. This is linked to Personal Health Budgets - raising awareness of these among parent carers and working with CCG to raise the number of Personal Health Budgets.