

Great Yarmouth and Waveney Clinical Commissioning Group

Submission to:	Norfolk and Suffolk Health and Wellbeing Boards
Title of paper	Developing the local offer – Personal Health Budgets
Executive Summary	<p>In line with NHS England requirements, NHS Great Yarmouth and Waveney CCG are obligated to develop what is termed as a ‘local offer’ – this is the CCG’s intentions of how it plans to roll out Personal Health Budgets to a wider population than just NHS Continuing Healthcare patients who now have ‘a right to have a Personal Health Budget’ since October 2014. This is required to be in place by 01.04.2016.</p> <p>It is proposed that the CCG’s ‘Local Offer’ is to undertake a pilot of a personal budget for respite services for children with a long term condition. The pilot would be with one family initially who have agreed to be the subject of the pilot. The pilot would enable the CCG to plan to expand this opportunity to other families in the future. The CCG will explore the possibility for people who are currently receiving direct payments which are jointly contributed to by the CCG in conjunction with Norfolk and Suffolk County Councils. The advantage of this service becoming the CCG’s ‘Local offer’ is that the budget is already in place as there is no new money for the ‘Local Offer’.</p>
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Background/history

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Why Personal Health Budgets?

NHS England firmly believe, through the learning from the pilot schemes, that Personal Health Budgets radically change the relationship between the health professional and patient to a much more equal and balanced one. Through more effective communication, the budgets are centred around a care plan and based on outcomes which works better for people with the highest support needs. They also believe that PHB's promote self-management through enabling a wider range of possible solutions than the traditionally commissioned services, therefore reducing the reliance on the NHS services.

On 23 February 2016, the National maternity Review – Better Births – A Five Year Forward View for Maternity Care was published. This report introduced the concept of Personal Maternity Care Budgets for expectant mothers. This is further evidence of the speed of travel that NHS England intends CCGs to embark upon.

What is a 'Local Offer'?

The CCG's local offer should provide clear answers to questions such as

- Who can get a Personal Health Budget?
- Which organisations are involved in supporting those groups of people?
- How can professionals and the public find out more information?
- How can people apply for a Personal Health Budget?

All offers should include those patients eligible for NHS Continuing Healthcare and children's Continuing Care, plus children with special educational needs and disabilities and adults and children with learning disabilities.

Offers could include people who do not qualify for NHS continuing healthcare but who have health needs, children with education, health and care plans who could benefit from a joint budget, people with on-going use of mental health services, people for whom current services don't work so end up regularly accessing acute services or people who need high cost, longer term rehabilitation, such as acquired brain injury, spinal injuries or mental health recovery.

How should it be developed?

- Together with people with direct experience and providers. It is expected that CCG's should engage widely and fully with their local communities, patients and providers including their local Health and Wellbeing Board to establish clear goals on expanding Personal Health Budgets.
- Agreed by Health and Wellbeing Boards and published by the CCG
- Linked into the commissioning and contracting cycle
- Backed up by a plan to make change a reality

NHS Great Yarmouth and Waveney CCG's Local Offer

The CCG are required to have a 'Local Offer' in place by 01.04.2016.

It is proposed that the CCG's 'Local Offer' is an opportunity for families who receive respite services for children with a long term condition that are in receipt of direct payments jointly contributed to by the CCG in conjunction with Norfolk and Suffolk County Councils. Instead of offering home based respite services with existing providers, families would be able to choose how to spend their professionally calculated respite budget following a health formulated support plan. The Personal Health Budget would then be added to the relevant Local Authority budget (health will have to ensure that there is appropriate monitoring of how the health contribution is spent and ensure that this meets the required quality of service for the assessed need).

The CCG has identified one family which has agreed to be a 'pilot' case to test the model and practicalities in order that this be refined accordingly before wider roll out.

Moving Forward

The timeline illustrated within the appendix highlights the speed at which the CCG is required to progress the implementation of Personal Health Budgets moving forward. The CCG will develop a strategic plan as to how it will move forward with meeting the challenge of major expansion of Personal Health Budgets.

Recommendation

The Local Offer for PHBs is submitted to the Norfolk and Suffolk Health and Wellbeing Boards for their approval.

Appendix

Aligning the local offer programme with expectations for major expansion of personal health budgets

