

Health and Wellbeing Board

25 April 2016

Diabetes Task and Finish Group

1. Purpose

This report is to update the Health and Wellbeing Board on the progress of the Diabetes Task and Finish Group.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 That the group continues to work in partnership and acts in the best interests of the local population at all times

3. Report detail

- 3.1 Since previously reporting to the Health and Wellbeing Board the Diabetes Task and Finish group has met once and the next meeting will take place Thursday 21st April. The Group has been assisting in the development of the Walsall Diabetes Strategy (2016-19) the final report will be submitted to the next Health and Wellbeing Board.
- 3.2 NHS Walsall CCG has a particularly challenging QIPP (Quality, Innovation, Productivity and Prevention) target in 2016/17. QIPP is a national, regional and local level programme designed to support clinical teams and NHS organisations to improve the quality of care they deliver while making efficiency savings that can be reinvested into the NHS. Diabetes has been identified as an area of concern with prescribing costs and diabetic Accident and Emergency admissions potential areas for focus.
- 3.3 As part of the Diabetes Task & Finish Group's agreed task;
- To develop a Primary Care Educational Programme to increase primary care awareness of diabetes management

Training events were organised to provide up-to-date information on Level 2 Diabetes for General Practitioners (GPs) and Practice Nurses from across Walsall they took place 25th November 2015 and 25th February 2016.

- 3.4 These events were led by Dr Andrew Askey Clinical Lead for Diabetes and Chair of the Diabetes Task & Finish Group. The training included table top sessions with updates on; National Diabetes Audit & Eight Care Processes, Diabetic Eye Screening, Foot Care Health, Structured Education, New Interactive guidelines and Diabetic Drugs update. The event was kindly sponsored by Eli Lilly and Boehringer Ingelheim. Over the two events 71% of Walsall GP Practices were represented; 16 GPs, 29 Practice Nurses and 3 Student Nurses benefiting from the training. The delegates experience was overall very positive with the feedback being both fair and constructive. The delegates supported following the same event format in the future.
- 3.5 The Integrated Diabetes Team from Walsall Health Care NHS Trust with support from the Diabetes Task and Finish group will be holding a Diabetes Update day for healthcare professionals 26th May at Forest Arts Centre. They will be discussing Diabetes; a form of diabetes which typically develops in later life and is associated with being obese, Foot care, Lipid (Cholesterol) Management and New Drugs. The Integrated Diabetes Team will also be available to give advice and answer questions.
- 3.6 In addition the Integrated Diabetes Team provides information and advice to help diabetic patients manage their condition and reduce the associated risks. The 'Diabetes & Me' Walsall programme along with an information pack is currently being delivered to newly diagnosed diabetic patients across Walsall at various venues including; Brownhills Community Association, Bentley Health Centre, Caldmore Village Hub, St Martin's Church and Beechdale Lifelong Learning Centre.
- 3.7 'Diabetes: don't sugar coat it' is a community project started in January run by Park Hall Community Association to help local people who have diabetes by providing ideas on how to stay healthy with their condition. This project has been funded by Walsall South Area Partnership and supported by the Diabetes Task and Finish Group.
- 3.8 Diabetes UK, a member of the Diabetes Task and Finish group, are working on developing Walsall support groups for people with diabetes. They are providing £250 start-up grant for each group and ongoing support. With the help of Area Partnership's Area Managers this has been promoted across Walsall with a large number of community groups and individuals showing an interest.

- 3.9 NHS Walsall CCG on behalf of the Diabetes Task and Finish group has developed a draft Business Case for a project idea to help Diabetes prevention within South Asian and BME communities. This idea is currently being scoped out in partnership with the Aaina Community Hub in Caldmore. The project aims to access lottery funding to enable it to be implemented.

4. Implications for Joint Working arrangements:

- 4.1 Financial implications: possible risk that opportunities for working in the community, that will need to be funded, are halted due to appropriate funding arrangements to be developed.
- 4.2 Legal implications: none at this time.
- 4.3 Other Resource implications: officer support will be provided by NHS Walsall Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG)

5. Health and Wellbeing Priorities:

- 5.1 To identify and take account of best practice and evidence, including the current Joint Strategic Needs Assessment/Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy, relevant to the designated tasks.
- 5.2 As part of Diabetes Patient / Resident Education development consideration will be given to the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment/Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy priorities:
- Promote emotional wellbeing and encourage people to be more self-reliant
 - Ensure staff of local service providers have knowledge and skills to improve the health of their service users
 - Encourage ways to involve local people and communities in efforts to improve health
 - Help people to find out how to improve their own health
 - Ensure employees are trained to give appropriate healthy lifestyles advice and know about available local support, thereby helping people improve their health
 - Reduce the life expectancy gap by improving the health of the poorest people, and men in particular
 - Reduce emergency admissions to hospital for over 75s and reduce the use of long-term residential care

5.3 Under the Marmot objectives consideration will be given to two key priorities:

- Create and develop healthy and sustainable communities
- Strengthen the role and impact of ill-health prevention

5.4 Safeguarding implications: none at this time

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