

Agenda Item:

Dorset Health Scrutiny Committee

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Dorset County Council



Date of Meeting	23 May 2014
Officer	Director for Adult and Community Services
Subject of Report	Approved Mental Health Professional (AMHP) Service – Dorset HealthCare University NHS Foundation Trust and Dorset County Council Report following Monitoring Visit by the Care Quality Commission in December 2013
Executive Summary	<p>This paper outlines the response and progress made by Dorset HealthCare (DHC) and Dorset County Council (DCC) following the announced CQC Admission and Assessment visit to provider services on 12 and 13 December 2013.</p> <p>The review was carried out by talking to staff from DHC and DCC and other agencies, as well as talking with local carer and user groups such as the Hughes Unit Group and the Dorset Mental Health Forum. Policies and procedures were also examined as well as minutes of meetings and other key documents.</p> <p>On receipt of the Care Quality Commission report, DHC and DCC made a joint response by submitting the required Provider Action Statement, in which are described 9 actions (see Appendix 2 for details). The concerns and actions being taken to address these are summarised within section 2 of the report which appears at Appendix 1. The response to the CQC was submitted at the end of January 2014.</p> <p>In addition to the submission of the Provider Action Statement on 28 January 2014 the Trust wrote to the CQC to highlight some factual inaccuracies within the report. The Trust's letter to the CQC is at Appendix 3. The Trust has not received an amended report following the submission of correspondence regarding the inaccuracies and therefore the original report is included at</p>

	<p>Appendix 4.</p> <p>Also attached to the report is; Appendix 5 which is the Improvement Plan for the Approved Mental Health Service, Appendix 6 which is the Director for Adult & Community Services response to the CQC following receipt of their correspondence dated 27 February 2014, and finally Appendix 7 which is the letter from CQC to the Director for Adult & Community Services dated 23 December 2013 resulting from the assessment visit to Dorset.</p>
Impact Assessment:	<p>Equalities Impact Assessment:</p> <p>Not applicable.</p>
	<p>Use of Evidence:</p> <p>Report provided by Dorset HealthCare (DHC) and Dorset County Council (DCC), plus appendices.</p>
	<p>Budget:</p> <p>No direct budget implications for the Committee to consider.</p>
	<p>Risk Assessment:</p> <p>Having considered the risks associated with this decision using the County Council's approved risk management methodology, the level of risk has been identified as: Current Risk: HIGH/MEDIUM/LOW (Delete as appropriate) Residual Risk HIGH/MEDIUM/LOW (Delete as appropriate) <i>(i.e. reflecting the recommendations in this report and mitigating actions proposed)</i></p> <p>NB – Low risk in respect of the Approved Mental Health Practitioner Service.</p>
	<p>Other Implications:</p> <p>None</p>
Recommendation	<p>The Committee is requested to note and comment on the response and progress made following the CQC visit.</p>
Reason for Recommendation	<p>The work of the Committee contributes to the County Council's aim to protect and enrich the health and well-being of Dorset's most vulnerable adults and children.</p>
Appendices	<p>1 Dorset HealthCare NHS Foundation Trust and Dorset County Council – Report for Dorset Health Scrutiny Committee</p> <p>2 DHC Provider Action Statement template</p>

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	<p>3 Letter to CQC – 28 January 2014</p> <p>4 CQC Mental Health Act 1983 Monitoring Visit report – 8 January 2014</p> <p>5 AMHP Service Improvement Plan – April 2014</p> <p>6 Letter to CQC – 27 February 2014</p>
Background Papers	None
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