

BETTER CARE FUND PLAN Q2 REPORT

Report of the Head of Adult Commissioning and Health, DCC, Chief Operating Officer NEW Devon CCG (also representing South Devon and Torbay CCG)

Please note that the following recommendations are subject to consideration and determination by the Committee before taking effect.

Recommendation: that the Board note this report detailing the Devon Better Care Fund Q2 submission to NHS England.

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### **1. Background/Introduction**

- 1.1 The Better Care Fund is the only mandatory policy to facilitate integration, providing a framework for joint Health and Social Care planning and commissioning, bringing together ring fenced budgets from Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) allocations, the Disabled Facilities Grant and, from 2017/18, funding paid to local government for adult social care services.
- 1.2 We are required to submit quarterly returns to NHS England, reporting on our performance against a core set of metrics relating to the Better Care Fund. The Health and Wellbeing Board is required to formally endorse the returns.
- 1.3 Submission dates do not always coincide with Health and Wellbeing Board meetings, and in these cases are approved by the Chair and presented to the board retrospectively.
- 1.4 The BCF Q2 return was submitted on 17th November 2017 and this paper provides an overview and summary of that return.

### **2. Compliance with national conditions**

- 2.1 We have confirmed we have met each of the four national conditions

| National Condition                                                                                                                                   | Confirmation |
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| <b>1) Plans to be jointly agreed?</b><br>(This also includes agreement with district councils on use of Disabled Facilities Grant in two tier areas) | Yes          |
| <b>2) Planned contribution to social care from the CCG minimum contribution is agreed in line with the Planning Requirements?</b>                    | Yes          |
| <b>3) Agreement to invest in NHS commissioned out of hospital services?</b>                                                                          | Yes          |
| <b>4) Managing transfers of care?</b>                                                                                                                | Yes          |

### 3. Performance against national metrics

| Metric                           | Definition                                                                                                                                      | Assessment of progress against the planned target for the quarter |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>NEA</b>                       | Reduction in non-elective admissions                                                                                                            | On track to meet target                                           |
| <b>Res Admissions</b>            | Rate of permanent admissions to residential care per 100,000 population (65+)                                                                   | On track to meet target                                           |
| <b>Reablement</b>                | Proportion of older people (65 and over) who were still at home 91 days after discharge from hospital into reablement / rehabilitation services | On track to meet target                                           |
| <b>Delayed Transfers of Care</b> | Delayed Transfers of Care (delayed days)                                                                                                        | Not on track to meet target                                       |

3.1 We are on track to meet three of the four metrics.

- 3.2 We have declared we are not on track to meet the target for delayed transfers of care. Whilst we have seen positive improvement within the wider system, with reductions across NHS Trusts, we will not have met the very challenging trajectory for Q2.
- 3.3 We have established daily monitoring of delays to identify prevailing issues as they arise. This is happening alongside the implementation of the system wide plan to tackle DTOC, overseen by the A&E Delivery Boards.
- 3.4 Daily monitoring of delayed transfers of care in November shows activity is close to target, however increased activity in the system during early winter will remain a challenge.

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| <u>BACKGROUND PAPER</u> | <u>DATE</u> | <u>FILE REFERENCE</u> |
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