

Lancashire Health and Wellbeing Board

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National Learning Disability Self-Assessment Framework and the Lancashire Learning Disability Partnership Board's response

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Executive Summary

The purpose of the report is to inform the Lancashire Health and Well-being Board of the outcome of Lancashire's 2014 Joint Health and Social Care Learning Disability Self-assessment (SAF), as reported to Public Health England in March 2015 and to seek the Board's support in progressing the identified priority work streams from the SAF which will be overseen by the Lancashire Learning Disability Partnership Board in order to improve outcomes for people with learning disabilities and their families and carers locally.

Recommendation/s

The Health and Wellbeing Board is recommended to:

- note the information provided through the SAF.
- receive a future update on the delivery of identified priority areas.

Background

The Joint Health and Social Care Learning Disability Self-Assessment Framework (SAF) is undertaken annually by commissioners from both Lancashire County Council (LCC) and Lancashire's six Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs). The Learning Disabilities Observatory - Improving Health and Lives (IHAL), part of Public Health England, administers the SAF which is then signed off by NHS England and the Association of Directors of Adult Social Care (ADASS). The SAF requires commissioners to rate progress locally across a number of key areas using a Red-Amber-Green (RAG) rating system, accompanied by both quantitative and qualitative evidence, with the priority themes in the 2014 SAF being:

- **Staying Healthy**
- **Keeping Safe**
- **Living Well**

The SAF collation process requires evidence-gathering and input from key stakeholders, including self-advocates, family carers, district councils, etc.

Key areas of success (green RAG-rating) in our 2014 SAF were:

- People with a learning disability being engaged in, and contributing to community activities, supported by good transport links

- People with a learning disability being involved in training and recruiting staff
- Assurance of, and Improvements in Adult Safeguarding in all commissioned services

However, the priority areas (red) that were identified as requiring improvement were:

Staying Healthy:

- Identification and management of long term health conditions, including diabetes, obesity, epilepsy and heart disease.
- Annual health checks and ensuring that health actions plans are completed/updated

Keeping Safe:

- Ensuring that people are involved in deciding their health and social care support is right for them
- Ensuring contract compliance and regular review to ensure that services are meeting need

Living Well:

- Effective joint working between Health and Social Care

There were also a number of priority areas which were RAG-rated amber and these also need to be addressed through action planning with key partners.

The Lancashire Learning Disability Partnership Board oversees and coordinates the activity to deliver the SAF outcomes and in September 2015, a merged Lancashire Board was established (there had previously been three locality boards); the LCC Commissioners who facilitate the Board have produced three proposed county-wide subgroup action plans (Staying Healthy, Keeping Safe, Living Well). These ensure that the appropriate stakeholders from Health, Social Care and other key partners are accountable for delivering the improvement action plans to address the red and amber work streams in their respective areas.

It has recently been announced that the SAF will be relaunched in April 2016 and that there will be no 2015 SAF, however, in the interim period, General Practice Data Extraction will be analysed on a locality footprint by Public Health England. Briefings will take place in January 2016, followed by locality improvement planning meetings in February 2016. The Lancashire Learning Disability Partnership Board will prioritise the progress of the subgroup action plans and any further recommendations from Public Health England in preparation for the new SAF process and requests the support of the Lancashire Health and Well-being Board in driving forward local plans with partners and demonstrating improved outcomes for the learning disability population.

List of background papers

[Lancashire SAF Workbook](#) (submitted to the Public Health Observatory, January 2015)

Joint Health and Social Care Learning Disability Self-Assessment Framework 2015
(<http://www.improvinghealthandlives.org.uk/news/news.php?nid=2786>)