

Minute

IJB Clinical and Care Governance Committee

2.30pm, Monday 23 November 2020

Microsoft Teams

Present:

Richard Williams (Chair), Councillor Robert Aldridge, Helen FitzGerald, Councillor George Gordon, Martin Hill, Jackie Irvine, Linda Irvine Fitzpatrick, Jacqui Macrae and Ian McKay.

In attendance: Matthew Brass, Tom Cowan, Helen Elder, Jennifer Evans, Rachel Gentleman, Jon Ferrer and David White.

Apologies: Colin Beck

1. Minutes

Decision

To approve the minute of the meeting of the Clinical Care and Governance Committee held on 27 August 2020 as a correct record.

2. Rolling Actions Log

Decision

To note the outstanding actions.

(Reference – Rolling Actions Log, submitted)

3. Primary Care Presentation

A presentation on Primary Care was presented to the Committee, which updated members on the performance, demand, activity and user satisfaction of Primary Care throughout Edinburgh.

The presentation displayed to members the demand for GP appointments in relation to population growth across the capital. It was noted that there has been around a 5% reduction across Practice activity despite a steady

rise in population. When data relating to the Pandemic was factored in, this 5% reduction was still true, with a reduction in home visits and face-to-face appointments cancelling out an increase in telephone appointments, as well as a slight increase in video consultations.

As well as a detailed update on Primary Care activities, members were presented with the results of a patient satisfaction survey. In general, the results proved to be successful, with a high level of patients displaying satisfaction with Primary Care. Although members expressed concerns regarding the 22% response rate, it was noted that this is not far under the national average when comparing response rates for this type of survey.

The presentation also provided Committee with an update on the Flu Vaccination Programme. Members were encouraged at the number of vaccinations prescribed, with 67,000 estimated to have been administered which reflected a 75% uptake from an ambitious target of 80,000 vaccinations. With an evaluation underway into the Programme, members noted their desire to aid in the Covid19 vaccination roll-out when the time comes.

Decision

- 1) To note the presentation.
- 2) To note that the next meeting would focus on the assurance that could be taken that General Medical Services were safe, effective, person-centred and continuously improving.
- To agree that members would email questions to the Chair/Committee Services to be considered and prepared before the next Committee meeting.

4. Update on Care Homes

A verbal report was provided to the Committee which updated members on the work and management of care homes throughout the city.

Members were assured that the level of care and management throughout care homes was of a high level. Concerns were expressed that the number of Covid19 cases was beginning to rise throughout care homes with the second wave, which proved to be fatal during the first wave. However, members again found assurance that lessons had been learnt from this, and the management, containment and isolation of cases was proving to be far more effective and efficient than when compared to the first wave.

Decision

To note the update.

5. Mental Health Services (Including Substance Misuse) Quality Assurance

A briefing note was presented to the Committee which updated members on the ongoing effort of the EHSCP to join the Royal College of Psychiatrists Accreditation Scheme. Since the Committee had supported this back in February 2020, Covid19 had delayed the sign up to the Accreditation Scheme, however, the briefing note noted progress in creating an infrastructure for the Scheme.

Members acknowledged the ongoing effort to recruit staff to the Scheme, with funding secured for the recruitment of a 0.40 WTE Nurse Consultant and a 0.40 WTE Consultant Occupational Therapist. These post holders would lead and support the community mental health teams in each locality with the accreditation process, as well as having the responsibility to convene a task-group to oversee the process.

Members also acknowledged the benefits of delaying the start date of the Scheme. The recruitment of these post-holders was due to complete in December 2020 and a delay would allow for maximum benefit for the time-limited posts. Despite the delay, the report assured Committee that the programme would commence in January 2021.

Decision

- 1) To agree to delaying the start date until post holders were recruited to ensure maximum benefit from these two new time-limited posts.
- 2) To circulate a more specific start-date in January once this had been agreed.

(Reference – Mental Health Services (Including Substance Misuse) Quality Assurance, submitted).

6. Date of Next Meeting

It was noted that meeting dates for 2021 would be set in consultation with the Chair.