





# CHIEF OFFICER'S UPDATE

May 2018

Welcome to my update for April and May 2018, with news and highlights from around Hull CCG.

## Strategic and organisational update

Our end of year review took place in late April with NHS England. I am pleased to report that it was really positive, with NHSE recognising organisational and system leadership, in particular around integrating health and social care and financial planning with Hull City Council. This review will feed in to our final assessment and rating as a CCG.

Our Hull Place-based Plan has been refreshed for 2018-19 to reflect the emerging programmes of work.

The Hull Strategic Partnership Board will focus on improving resilience and wellbeing to begin to 'close the gap' on Hull's health inequalities. As previously reported, the Partnership Board has agreed to focus on early intervention and prevention. The Children on the Edge of Care project is one such project identified as a priority to support vulnerable children and young people who are at imminent risk of being taken into care. The project will use intelligence data and information across the public sector partnership.

#### **Humberside Police**

One of my highlights of this month was my day on the beat with Humberside Police. This included a morning with the Early Intervention Team operating in the Myton area. This is an excellent pilot project, funded by the Police and Crime Commissioner, to tackle problems for children and families early before they become more difficult to reverse. I was able to see the reality of the team dealing with the impact of long term alcohol and drug misuse and domestic abuse, which are real problems in the city.

This was followed by several hours on patrol where I witnessed the range of issues that officers have to deal with after they arrive at the scene and the quick decisions they have to make. The two PCs that I went out with were superb. It made me realise that it is all about the people who deliver the service and how they interact with the public that makes the service effective. I feel that there is a lot that we and

other partners can do to really support early intervention. If we don't address these long term problems of drugs, alcohol and mental health issues then it will make little difference to the level of crime that the police have to respond to every day.

#### **Integrated Care Centre**

I was delighted to see that the clinical teams had led the design of the clinical assessment areas during my recent site visit to the Jean Bishop Integrated Care Centre (ICC). It now feels very real and I know the team is working hard towards the first patients coming for assessment later this month. It was a joy to tour with Jean Bishop herself who was very impressed with the colourful and welcoming environment for patients.



This is going to be an outstanding facility that we hope will transform peoples' lives - treating patients with moderate frailty needs to avoid hospital admissions. Individuals identified by GP Practices will be offered a multi-disciplinary review at the ICC. As the year progresses a second phase will look at individuals who are not amongst our most frail, but who may become so without anticipatory care planning Humberside Fire and Rescue will also have an operational fire station on site and will support rehabilitation, recovery and provide a falls response.

## Staff AGM sets priorities

Our 2018 Staff Annual General Meeting is on 18 May. It's a chance to get together as a team to agree and own our priorities for the year ahead.

The event will focus on tackling health inequalities with small teams looking at different areas in Hull as part of a staff workshop. We recognise and value the difference between communities and understand that they have diverse needs so we will be looking at how we might support individual communities to be healthier - we need to keep improving, particularly on health outcomes. Hull Kingston Rovers Head of Rugby Jamie Peacock will also speak about team building—bringing lessons from sport to the health care arena.

## **Council elections**

A number of senior councillors that have worked with the CCG for some time stood down at the recent elections. These include Colin Inglis (Chair of the Health and Wellbeing Board) Danny Brown (Chair of Health and Wellbeing Overview and Scrutiny), Helena Spencer (former Health and Wellbeing cabinet member) and Mary Glew who has championed the Integrated Care Centre. Danny Brown was a former Hull PCT non-executive director. Colin and Helena have done much over the years in raising the profile of health in the city. They have all been good to work with and they will be missed for their experience and passion for improving health in Hull.

Councillor Steve Wilson will take over as Chair of the Health and Social Wellbeing Overview and Scrutiny Commission and Councillor Hester Bridges will be the new Chair of the Health and Wellbeing Board. Councillor Gwen Lunn remains as portfolio holder for Adult Services and Public Health. We look forward to working with all of them.

## Investment in mental health

During April new investment in adult mental health has helped enhance services for some of the most vulnerable people in the city. This has included:

- the continuation of the 'Crisis Pad' in Hull for people suffering severe emotional distress;
- an additional 'step down' bed in Hull for patients discharged from inpatient care (delivered by Hull and East Yorkshire Mind);

people with mental health problems who attend Hull Royal Infirmary.

We know these mental health support services will be very much welcomed by patients, families and carers. We have worked closely with Humber Teaching NHS FT and East Riding CCG over the last six months to deliver these improvements. We are aiming to achieve our target of eliminating the need for out-of-area mental health acute placements by summer 2018 – ahead of the NHS England timescale of 2021 - which is great news.

#### NHS 70 celebrations

As the NHS turns 70 years old on 5 July 2018, I am extremely proud that anybody who needs its help or care can receive it - free at point of care - regardless of their background or means. We know the NHS has no boundaries in that respect and NHS staff, in every discipline, do a fantastic job year in, year out. Dan Roper, Emma Sayner and I will attend the special NHS service of celebration at York Minster



on 5 July to thank staff, patient groups and volunteers. A small CCG group has also been invited to the Westminster Abbey service earlier on the same day.

Also on 5 July we are partners in the annual Health Expo taking place at the Hilton hotel in Hull. This year it will feature an exhibition that looks back over 70 years of the NHS in Hull and East Yorkshire, alongside new innovations in health care.

With the official opening of the Jean Bishop Integrated Care Centre set for 6 July, we hope that this will be a fitting celebratory week to mark the special NHS birthday. The NHS is a wonderful organisation and we want to see it thrive for the next 70 years.

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• an extended Mental Health Liaison Service for