

Cheshire and Merseyside Provider Engagement Forum

18 September 2024 meeting notes

Find out who the provider reps are on the ICP – how can we influence.

Website – agree to C&M hosting some info and Skills for Care website page for agendas, membership etc. Would like some info to be visible on Skills for Care website to promote and keep those interested up to date

Helen recommended reading the exec summary to Darzi report – share link.

Priority - Need real clarity on where and how we are making a difference. How do we have a voice and influence, where is the accountability and timelines in place? This needs to be really clear.

Some feedback that with ICBs it is now harder to collaborate and walk the path of the provider

We need to agree how we organise ourselves as a collective and collaborative group to represent C&M

Consideration of how we present and influence around...themes/groups/ localities

Commissioning – needs to work on becoming less transactional and more relational

Need to analyse our work against the terms of reference – are we influencing in the way we intended? If not is the issue in the group or outside of it.

Looking more towards strengths-based approaches and empowering communities – how do we free up resources to do this?

Prevent, reduce, delay.

How to create collaborative rather than competitive markets

Growing the market

How to free up money in the system – can a percentage of support be provided by VCSE services? Providers agree there is potential in this. Some conversation about how it can be more cost effective to support a smaller number of people with larger packages of care and support rather than lots of very small packages

Care community footprint – CH Providers working better with care communities.

It takes time to bring people together in CE it has taken 12 months to bring together community providers

Need to ask providers what's in it for them...what is the incentive? It is stated what LAs want and health wants but it needs to work for providers too.

Joint venture as a suggestion?

Helen CM to take back:

Lessons learned – what does good provider engagement look like

Promoting investment in adult social care – creates good jobs/careers/ longevity of careers

Social care supports wider economic growth

CE has developed a framework for delegated healthcare activity and is upskilling the workforce (not sure if this is for in house services)

To take away table top questions – individually, via networks and feed back

Key principles of working together. Revisit within the group but we need to establish more broadly with partners and to support that influencing voice

Suggestion that we design signature strips on emails to say a PEF member and invite enquiries or signpost to further information.