

## Progress Report for the Board Meeting of NHS Lanarkshire

### Background

The Board will recall that the framework was considered at its meeting on 30 May 2007. The Board endorsed the suggested recommendations contained within the paper and asked for progress reports at six monthly intervals.

The agreed approach was that a steering group would be instigated comprising key representatives from Primary and Secondary Care, SALUS, Social Work, Housing, and the Voluntary Sector.

### Progress

At the inaugural meeting of the group, Dr Sarah Mitchell, National Project lead for the Rehabilitation Framework, provided an overview on the framework for those present. Dr Mitchell is a standing member of the group and is keen to use NHS Lanarkshire in the evaluation process for the framework. Dr Mitchell also informed the group that NHS Lanarkshire was the only Board, at that time, to have made any direct approach to her.

It is the intention to have a Local Rehabilitation Co-ordinator Post established in each Board area funded through the Scottish Government and working across both Health and Social Care. The funding for this post is still awaited and it is expected that the funding will be released before the end of 2007. It is the expectation of the Scottish Government that the post will match an Agenda for Change banding at 8b.

The steering group:

- Has decided that there is merit in dovetailing the actions contained in the delivery framework into existing Picture of Health Programme Boards, since many of the actions contained within the framework are already under consideration by them.
- Is in the process of developing a communications map to ensure proper communication channels are established with each of the Picture of Health Programme Boards.
- Intends to carry out a benchmarking exercise to accurately identify current services within North & South Lanarkshire Councils, both CHPs and the Acute Division. A template is in the process of being developed to capture the relevant data to allow a mapping of current service provision to be compiled.

### Falls Prevention and Bone Health Revision

In addition to the actions above, a Falls Group, under the co-chairmanship of Jim Wright, Coatbridge Locality General Manager, and Senga Cree, Interim Professional Lead for Physiotherapy has been set up to review the current Falls Prevention and Bone Health Services and bring forward any requirements necessary to ensure that NHS Lanarkshire meets the recommendations of the HDL (2007) 13, by March 2008. Further direction around the requirement of Community Health Partnership to appoint a Falls Lead or Co-coordinator with management responsibility to liaise with relevant agencies within their geographical region, is awaited from the Scottish Government.

### Next Steps

The Board is asked to note the establishment of the Steering and Falls Group. The Board will receive the deliberations of the falls group by March 2008 and a further progress update report on the Rehabilitation Framework in Six Months Time.

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