

BAC Strategic Update/Progress 20/11/13

Communication

1. Personal ph call by Sharon to each BAC parent/carer last week
2. Personal letter to each parent going out today from Sharon
3. Ongoing Fact Sheets fortnightly – one being prepared today will have high level details re transition service plan
4. Consumer Advocate as decided by each parent
5. Parent submission and verbal presentation completed.
6. Anne Brennan meets with [REDACTED] weekly every Thursday re clinical issues
7. Very large majority of corro on time re turnaround – all in consultation with CHQ and DETE as relevant
8. Dr Sandra Radovini visit (Director of Mindful, Victoria) – mid December. Meet with BAC parents/carers and separate session with BAC staff. Discuss Victorian service provision for this cohort. CHQ will also provide new service option plan to the parents that day for their input. Also organising a professional dinner with key stakeholders and CYMHS psychiatry faculty members.

Recommended to commence:

- ✓ Leanne to have personal contact with Premiers office SDLO about each request from their office – already phoned the Director and they would appreciate this type of contact
- ✓ Next Fact Sheet due tomorrow
- ✓ Joint Media Statement WM and CHQ – announce transitional services (cannot do this in detail until DG approved procurement, but can provide info in Fact Sheet at high level)
- ✓ Engage Naomi in each weekly BAC update mtg and revisit communications plan
- ✓ Consider weekly update t/conf (30mins) by Sharon and Leanne with BAC parents/consumers (not clinical) – aim to share info and address miscommunications. Voluntary participation.
- ✓ Need firm agreement with CHQ that all meetings with BAC parents/carers/staff needs to also include equivalent officer from WM HHS

Waitlists Consumers

1. First waitlist transitional Panel cancelled last week due to high clinical need on ward. Mtg rescheduled today 1pm.
2. Waitlist - [REDACTED] out of [REDACTED] actively engaged in their local CYMHS. Assessment list – [REDACTED] out [REDACTED] actively engaged in their local CYMHS.
3. Vanessa has already commenced contacting all HHSs and discussing current service input (as above) and consumer need. Have today allocated additional senior clinical staff member to support Vanessa in completing this work more rapidly and to liaise with HHSs and with parents/carers as relevant – discussed with Anne Brennan.

Board

1. Board paper drafted and presentation at next meeting.
2. Query opportunity to bring Anne Brennan and Elisabeth Hoehn to meet Board next week?
3. Will provide fast turnaround on Board corro.

Transition Services

1. Update provided by email today – progressing rapidly
2. Clinical governance presents a challenge – Anne Brennan unsure if she is willing to take this role on (has been asked to go away and return with decision). Has been discussed with Stephen Stathis.
3. Additional bed based option discussed with Stephen Stathis – 2 beds allocated at Mater as interim for higher acuity extended patients. Prof Brett McDermott (Mater) given support in principle.

Therapeutic Support for BAC parents

1. Risks raised by clinical staff – potential it will be perceived by BAC parents that they are the problem, unclear who has capacity and skill to provide the service, additional potential to create splitting, unclear how it will align with clinical care of adolescent. Senior clinician been tasked today with planning the options for consideration.

Workforce

1. Mtg scheduled with Alan Millward and MHSS clinical seniors for next week to discuss formal application for VRs to DoH, and to finalise draft implementation plan re change process.