

People's Board

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CHILDREN'S AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES SELF-ASSESSMENT FOR CARE QUALITY COMMISSION

1. Purpose:

1.1 To request that the People's Board nominate a children and young people's mental health lead and respond to the requirements for a local self-assessment as identified by the Care Quality Committee (CQC)

2. Background:

2.1 The Care Quality Commission (CQC) were asked by the then Prime Minister in January 2017 to conduct a review of children and young people's (CYP) mental health (MH) services.

2.2 The CQC undertook the review in 2 phases:

- The phase one report was published in October 2017 and summarised what the CQC already knew about CYP MH services.
(https://www.cqc.org.uk/sites/default/files/20171103_cypmhphase1_report.pdf)
- The phase two report, "Are we listening", was published in March 2018. The report sets out recommendations for national, regional and local action
(https://www.cqc.org.uk/sites/default/files/20180308b_arewelisting_report.pdf)

2.3 The CQC is now inviting Health and Wellbeing Boards in England to self-assess and tell the CQC whether their local system to support children and young people with mental health problems matches the recommendations made in the phase 2 'Are we listening?' report

2.4 Health and Wellbeing Boards are now being asked to nominate one CYP MH lead to co-ordinate their local response, complete the self-assessment, and submit to the CQC by 31 October 2019

2.5 The CQC has requested that providers and commissioners across health, social care, the voluntary sector and other partners could be encouraged to take part and the CYP MH lead will be required to co-ordinate this response to the self-assessment

2.6 The self-assessment is now live on the CQC website for completion

2.7 Following analysis of the responses, the CQC will publish a report in March 2020 highlighting progress on implementation of the recommendations nation-wide.

3. Recommendation:

It is recommended that the People's Board;

- nominate Susan Forster as Lead Executive and CYP MH lead for the purpose of completing the required self-assessment

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