

# Future in Mind Local Position October 2017



This document serves as a position statement about the Northamptonshire Children and Young Peoples Local Transformation Plan (Future in Mind LTP).

Supporting documents to this statement are:-

1. Children and Young People Local Transformation Plan and Plan on a Page (found here) - <https://www.neneccg.nhs.uk/future-in-mind/>
2. Northamptonshire Future in Mind Achievements in 2016/17 and Plan for 2017/18 (found here) - <http://www.asknormen.co.uk/news/2017/future-in-mind-achievements-in-201617-plan-for-201718/>

## **Introduction**

The Future in Mind local Transformation Plan for the CCG's in Northamptonshire was approved by NHS England October 2015. The transformation plan was written in partnership with colleagues from Northamptonshire County Council, local service providers, NHS England, young people, families and the voluntary sector. The Transformation Plans were approved by the Health and Wellbeing Board and commitment was made to the transformation of children and young people's emotional and mental health. The plan submitted in 2015 was the first version with the clear intention that the plan would be a live document. To enable the implementation of improvements through the whole pathway the priorities and commitment is planned over the next five years.

The priorities have been reviewed annually to reflect what could be delivered in year.

As part of the national oversight of Transformation Plans, all local plans are expected to be refreshed and published annually. This position statement sets out Northamptonshire's current position and how the Future in Mind LTP will be further developed and taken forward over the next three years.

## **Commissioning**

The mental health and emotional wellbeing for children and young people (CYP) in Northamptonshire remains a priority for health and local authority partners across the County and is reflected as such in our local Sustainability and Transformation Plan (STP).

In previous years a Section 75 agreement operated between the CCGs and Northamptonshire County Council and created a pooled budget and joint commissioning arrangements for CYP mental health and emotional wellbeing services. This agreement came to an end in March 2017.

Development of a new partnership agreement between the CCGs and Northamptonshire Public Health is underway. This agreement will set out new funding arrangements and commitment to ongoing joint delivery of improved outcomes for our children and young people and provide clarity on funding streams for services moving forward.

The new Future in Mind LTP for Northamptonshire will need to reflect the new relationships joint commissioning arrangements and set out clearly how these will impact on delivery of our local objectives.

## **Transparency and Governance**

A redesigned governance structure is being put in place. Since the Future in Mind LTP was first published, Northamptonshire has developed and published its Sustainability and Transformation Plan (STP) and partners are working differently together across the system to deliver on both national and local requirements.

Strategic oversight of the Future in Mind LTP will sit with the Mental Health Transformation Board which is a sub-group of the STP Board and align with the transformation of adult mental health services. A new Future in Mind Implementation Group will be created with membership including:-

- CCG, Public Health, and Local Authority CYP commissioning leads
- NHS and independent sector providers – children young people and adult mental health services.
- Voluntary Faith and Community Groups representation
- Local Authority Children's Services lead
- Children young people
- Parents/Carers
- Schools and Colleges
- Youth Justice lead
- Mental health of LAC clinical lead
- LA SEND lead

This implementation group will report into the Mental Health Transformation Board and the Health and Wellbeing Board to ensure that Future in Mind remains a key priority.

## **Outcomes**

The CCGs are seeking to develop innovative ways of commissioning and contracting mental health services for CYP. We are in the early stages of planning the development of an outcomes framework from which we will commission our CYP mental health services in the future. This framework will draw from best practice examples and will be informed and shaped by the voices of our CYP and their families and carers. We will continue to work, through the Mental Health Transformation Board, to review and challenge implementation progress, spending and impact of transformation ambitions.

## **The Voice of Children Young People and their Carers**

Developing an effective voice for CYP is a priority for Northamptonshire and we have used the learning from our engagement work to date to develop our Future in Mind LTP and improve our local processes. Our CYP must have a strong voice in the development and implementation of the Northamptonshire Future in Mind LTP and a key priority for 2017/18 is to carry out further engagement with our CYP and their families and carers. We will use the findings from this engagement to inform both the development of our outcomes framework and a refreshed Future in Mind LTP.

## **Workforce Development**

The importance of ensuring that organisations have the right workforce with the right skills and knowledge to deliver effective services is recognised by all and is a key ingredient in creating system transformation through building an effective workforce. With other local transformation partnerships and through the STP workforce plan we will collaborate to undertake an audit of our CYP workforce and identify future workforce requirements.

**Summary**

The CCG's and the Local Authority recognise the importance of and continue to be supportive of the transformation required in children and young people's emotional and mental health services. Work has commenced through the Mental Health Transformation Board to review current provision from a range of perspectives; to scope best practice across the County and beyond; to consult widely with all stakeholders; and to connect with associated transformational processes e.g. Northamptonshire's Sustainability and Transformation Plan and the Adult Mental Health Services Transformation.

We remain committed to the delivery and implementation of our commitments in the Future in Mind LTP and over the next six to twelve months will carry out the work required to produce a full refreshed plan that reflects both national and local priorities as well as the new commissioning and contracting relationships we are forging with our partners and providers.