



HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD 12th September 2019

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Health Protection Board Update

Purpose

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to provide an overview of the key messages arising from the Derbyshire Health Protection Board that met on Tuesday 2 July 2019.
- 1.2 Additionally its purpose is to assure the Health and Wellbeing Board that appropriate mechanisms are in place to scrutinise health protection arrangements for the City.

Recommendation

- 2.1 The Health and Wellbeing board is asked to note the update report.

Reason

- 3.1 To ensure the Health and Wellbeing Board is kept updated on health protection issues affecting residents of Derby.

Supporting information

Emergency Resilience and Response

4.1 (a) Derbyshire Health Protection Response Group

It was reported that there had been a recent meeting at which the following had been discussed:

- Primary Care Networks (PCNs) - to ensure attendance in order to raise the profile of health protection.
- Influenza information agreed and to be re-issued for the next season.
- Chief Regulators Group.

- Terms of reference reviewed and agreed.
- Review of organisational contacts pathway.
- Infectious disease incidents.

(b) Feedback on Reporting to the Health and Wellbeing Board

Assurance had been given that items discussed at the Board would be robustly checked before any information was released. The need to balance the provision of relevant information to the Health and Wellbeing Board with issues around sensitive or potentially confidential information was highlighted.

Screening and Immunisation Programmes

4.2 (a) Screening and Immunisation Programmes Overview

The Board received the report prepared by the Screening and Immunisation Team (SIT).

- The SIT continued to work with stakeholders to develop initiatives to increase uptake as part of the North Midlands MMR Elimination Action Plan.
- The next influenza planning group meeting will be held in July to discuss and review provider preparations and readiness before the start of the influenza season in September.
- Bowel Cancer Screening Hubs would switch from Faecal Occult Blood (FOBt) tests to Faecal Immunochemical Test (FIT) tests with effect from 7th June 2019.

(b) Cervical Screening Programme Report

- The Screening Quality Assurance Service (SQAS) had visited the University Hospitals of Derby and Burton NHS Foundation Trust (UHDBFT) on 8th November 2018 and the feedback had been very positive.
- The laboratory turnaround time (TAT) of samples had increased with the result that the fourteen day performance standard was not currently being met. Weekly reporting from the laboratory to the SIT continued in order to ensure that the situation was closely monitored.

Infection Prevention and Control

4.3 The Board received an update from Derbyshire CCG

- MRSA Bacteraemia – all cases have been reviewed with the majority identified as community onset. Post infection reviews have not identified any lapse in care.
- Clostridium difficile – Reports have evidenced a reduction in cases across the healthcare system compared to 2017/18.

- E.coli blood stream infections – Monitoring has evidenced a small increase in the number of cases compared to 2017/18.
- Meticillin Sensitive Staphylococcus Aureus (MSSA) – there has been an increase in the number of cases diagnosed and reported across Derbyshire compared to 2017/18.

Environmental Health

4.4 Air Quality Working Group

The minutes of the Joint Derbyshire Air Quality Working Group meeting held on 4th June 2019 were noted by the Board.

Inequalities

4.5 (a) Vulnerable TB Pathway

An update was provided on legal advice regarding the ability of Local Authorities to fund accommodation for individuals with no recourse to public funds.

(b) Hepatitis C

The board received an update:

- The Operational Delivery Network continued to meet quarterly and treatment rates were currently being met.
- Pilot testing in the pharmacy needle exchange was in progress but uptake was still low.

Emerging and Recent Incidents and Outbreaks

4.6 The Board heard a summary of incidents:

- Cases of measles related to foreign travel.
- Monitoring has continued of the Listeria incident. There were no new cases and a significant amount of work had been undertaken by the Food Standards Agency and all the hospitals.
- National work is taking place re the new role of the Director of Public Health in NHS England.

Public/stakeholder engagement

5.1 Not applicable.

Other options

6.1 None.

Financial and value for money issues

7.1 None.

Legal implications

8.1 None.

Other significant implications

9.1 None.

This report has been approved by the following people:

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