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Predictive Equality Impact Assessment (PEIA)
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Title of report or proposal:

NHS H&F and LBHF Learning Disability Funding Transfer

Describe in full the aims, objectives and purpose of the proposal, including desired outcomes:

The Department of Health has issued a directive that PCTs should transfer any learning disability social care funding and associated commissioning responsibilities they hold to local authorities. The transfer is designed to fully align commissioning responsibilities with the core functions of local authorities and PCTs – thereby ensuring that PCTs focus on meeting the health needs of people with learning disability, rather than commissioning social care services which is a task best undertaken by local authorities.

The change will enable PCTs to focus on their primary responsibility of meeting the health needs of people with a learning disability. Responsibility for healthcare, including specialist learning disability healthcare services and forensics will remain with PCTs. It will also enable local authorities to focus on delivering quality, targeted services, based on their experience and their lead responsibility for community services, resulting in better services for people with a learning disability that are around their individual needs.

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PLEASE ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:

1. Who are the main people that this decision will affect?

Service users with learning disabilities

2. Identify the risks that could prevent the planned outcomes

There is no real risk as the amounts involved have already been agreed satisfactorily between the PCT and the Local Authority.

3. Could the proposal have a positive impact on **a) race b) disability c) gender d) sexual orientation e) age f) belief system groups?** (Please provide evidence e.g. user feedback, complaints, monitoring?)

a) b) c) d) e) f) Given that reason for the transfer is to enable the Local Authority to better provide person centred services based on an assessment of an individuals needs it is expected to have a positive impact on all the groups listed, including those with learning disabilities.

4. Could the proposal have a differential negative impact on **a) race b) disability c) gender d) sexual orientation e) age f) belief system groups?** (Please provide evidence e.g. user feedback, complaints, monitoring,?)

a) b) c) d) e) f) No (see question 3.)

5. Could the proposal have any differential impact (either positive, negative or neutral) on the health outcomes of the local population? Please provide details.

Given the reason for the transfer is to enable both the LA and the PCT to focus on their respective core functions and competencies it is expected to have positive impact on health outcomes.

6. Can any differential negative impact of the decision be justified?

None identified.

7. If you have undertaken any internal/ external research or consultation(s) please list these below:

The following have been consulted:

The Learning Disability Partnership Board

The Learning Disability Strategic Commissioning Group

8. Do you need to undertake any further consultation? If so, what and with whom?

No

9. If any differential negative impact is predicted, what actions are you planning to implement which would help lessen any adverse impact? Please give details.

None

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