
**MANCHESTER CITY COUNCIL
REPORT FOR INFORMATION**

Report to: Health and Well Being Overview and Scrutiny Committee
Date: 5 March 2009
Subject: NHS Manchester operational plan, 2009-10
Report of: Director of Commissioning, Manchester Primary Care Trust

Purpose of Report:

The purpose of this paper is to present to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee the draft operational plan of NHS Manchester, prepared in line with the guidance *Operating Framework for the NHS in England 2009/10* (Department of Health, 2008).

Recommendations:

The Committee is asked to:

1. To note the contents of the draft plan
2. Receive a verbal report on amendments made to the plan since its submission to the overview and scrutiny committee in response to feedback from stakeholders and NHS North West

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Background Documents

Operational Plans 2008/09-2010/11, Department of Health, 2008
The Operating Framework for the NHS in England 2009/10 (Department of Health 2008)
High Quality Care for All ,(Department of Health, 2008).

Glossary

PCT = Primary Care Trust

NHS Manchester operational plan 2009/10

1. Background

Every Primary Care Trust (PCT) is required by the Department of Health to prepare an operational plan for the financial year 2009/10. Guidance issued in February 2008 (*Operational Plans 2008/09-2010/11*, Department of Health, 2008) states that operational plans are expected to

- Demonstrate what local targets the PCT is aiming to achieve, how they were agreed and how they will be met
- Define what success will be for the PCT, and the milestones on the way to success
- Specify the PCT's proposals for health outcomes for the local area agreement

The Operating Framework for the NHS in England 2009/10) additionally states that operational plans will

- Demonstrate how national priorities will be met
- Demonstrate consistency with contracts agreed with local providers
- Demonstrate consistency with the joint strategic needs assessment, children and young people's plan and the principles set out in the Commissioning Assurance Handbook (Department of Health, 2008)

NHS Manchester has prepared its operational plan to meet all of these requirements in the context of the overall needs of the people of Manchester and the PCT's objectives to improve health and commission high quality health services.

NHS Manchester has ensured that its operational plan is consistent with its Commissioning Strategic Plan 2009/2014, which it is also currently revising. The Operational Plan details the steps to be taken in 2009/10 to contribute towards achieving the five-year objectives of the Commissioning Strategic Plan together with the plans to address the Primary Care Trust's other local and national priorities.

Finally, NHS Manchester has ensured that the operational plan reflects its commitments within its single equality scheme, that is, to ensure health services are available for everyone in the community.

2. Stakeholder engagement and development process

The development of the operational plan has been a natural progression of the Primary Care Trust's work on developing the first version of its Commissioning Strategic Plan. It makes wide use of public and patient feedback received through the 'Talking Health' programme

The operational plan has been prepared by a wide range of staff in NHS Manchester and Manchester City Council, who have leadership roles in relation to the priorities addressed in the plan. These 'content experts' have contributed detailed information about each individual priority within the plan, in line with national and local guidance. Their work has been co-ordinated by a corporate project board.

NHS Manchester's partners (the City Council, practice-based commissioning steering groups and the Local Involvement Network) and its stakeholders (the wide range of organisations, groups and individuals with whom the Primary Care Trust works) have been invited to comment on the draft plan and these comments will inform the final version to be submitted for approval by the Board of NHS Manchester on 4 March 2009.

The first draft of the plan was submitted, in line with local guidance, to NHS North West on 30 January 2009 and their comment is additionally awaited.

A summary of the amendments made in response to partner and stakeholder feedback will be provided to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee at its meeting.

3. Conclusion

The operational plan provides an important tool for the Primary Care Trust to plan the next stages of addressing its major strategic priorities, and to address those other local and national priorities which it is accountable for progressing.

It provides a comprehensive framework, alongside the Commissioning Strategic Plan, for monitoring progress and achievement and NHS Manchester is currently finalising plans to monitor and review progress in implementation during the forthcoming financial year.

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