

**Report for Information to the Health & Wellbeing Board for RBWM**



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<b>Title</b>	Public Health updates – Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment Joint Strategic Needs Assessment - Refresh Strategic intentions for suicide and self harm prevention Winter plan- Flu plan Ebola plan
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**1. Report Background and summary**

A Pharmacy Needs Assessment (PNA) for the Royal Borough of Windsor was agreed by the Health and Wellbeing Board (HWB) on the 11 Sept 2014 and a public consultation will be complete in December 2014. The results of the consultation will be presented along with the final PNA at the March 2015 HWB.

HWB has previously had papers on the new format web based Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA) on the 24 April and 4 Dec 2013 and 16 Jan 2104. The refresh in 2014 aims to add in chapters where data is now available, update existing chapters with new data issues and develop specific aspects of existing chapters. The JSNA will continue to be updated annually The strategic intentions for suicide and self harm prevention in RBWM are being presented to the HWB on the 16 Dec 2014.

The main focus of the Winter plan from a public health perspective is to be assured

that an improvement in uptake of flu vaccinations is addressed with an aim to meet expected targets for at risk groups. Public health support has been offered to improve uptake of vaccination among frontline Borough workers.

Led by the national and regional Public Health England (PHE) plans, local awareness and preparedness has been assessed. RBWM actions are being developed to manage local cases to support the Director of Public Health and Thames Valley PHE.

## **2. Details of Update / Information**

### PNA

The PNA was presented to the HWB in Sept 2014 and is being consulted upon currently. To date the PNA has been presented to the Health and Wellbeing Stakeholder Forum and Children's services Third Sector Forum. It continues to be available via the RBWM website. The final PNA must be published by the HWB by April 2015, and will have a maximum lifetime of three years. The PNA will be used by NHS England when making decisions on applications to open new pharmacies and dispensing appliance contractor premises; or applications from current pharmaceutical providers to change their existing regulatory requirements.

### JSNA

The JSNA will be refreshed between December 2014 and end-February 2015. Current focus is on Children's services and in particular 0-2 development, maternity, perinatal mental health, neurological conditions and suicide and self harm. In addition to this, more focus will be given on improving the usability of the JSNA to facilitate better departmental use in commissioning decisions. Further and to accommodate wider requirements stemming from the Winterbourne View actions – the refresh of the JSNA will need to identify people with complex needs and challenging behaviour separately within the learning disabilities area. Finally with the advent of the Care Act, the latter makes explicit references to additional information that will need to be included in the JSNA. This includes some of the market development, provision of information and advice and advocacy services.

### Suicide Prevention and Self-Harm

A suicide and self harm prevention strategy has been produced for Berks for the Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCG) with a framework for comprehensive actions across the 'whole picture'. This has been presented to the east and west CCG Mental Health Commissioning Groups as well as the East Berks Joint Mental Health Commissioning Group. The focus of the ensuing Berks wide Steering Group will be to present the epidemiological patterns, interpret national key guidance and research locally, focus on reducing risks of suicide and self harm, engage relevant key stakeholders, prioritise rapid bereavement support, ensure training is offered to frontline staff and make recommendations to Safeguarding Board. The Steering Group would focus on adults with the Berks CAMHS Strategic Group being sent epidemiological patterns for them to prioritise for action. The suicide audit will inform the local actions to be taken. Timescale for the first draft of the audit is February 2015.

### Winter Plan- Health protection, Flu

The public health contribution to the Winter Plan is seeking assurance against national aspiration for flu vaccination of 75% overall uptake. Local public health

has been working with public health shared team, Thames Valley Area Team (NHS England) general practices, children's team and CCG's to ensure efforts are co-ordinated. A local communications plan including a press release with lead member, social media activity, web message, internal communications information and advice to relevant bodies to protect the populations health, supporting frontline social care workers and monitoring of uptake have been undertaken. Evaluation of impact at the end of the season will be collated in February 2015. The learning from the evaluation at Berkshire level and Thames Valley level will shape 2015/16 flu plan.

#### Health Protection- Ebola

The Ebola response is being led nationally by PHE and there have been regional and Berks wide workshops held to support local plans. The risk of Ebola to the general public in the UK continues to be very low. The outbreak primarily affects Guinea, Liberia and Sierra Leone, where transmission remains intense.

Thames Valley PHE Centre (TVPHEC) follow-up and monitor returning Health Care Workers and humanitarian workers and this includes communication with relevant employers and occupational health departments.

PHE are providing enhanced screening for travellers who have recently returned from affected countries at Heathrow, Gatwick, Birmingham and Manchester airports and at St Pancras (Eurostar) railway station.

A range of guidance has been created by PHE and they have disseminated to the appropriate teams. The Strategic Directors of Public Health and Operations have been involved in the Berks level response and a RBWM team attended the table top exercise in Berks. An internal meeting of key personnel has been held to address Ebola response and the actions to be taken by individual teams have been identified with regard to business continuity. Information from PHE is circulated to relevant staff. RBWM review their Business Continuity Plan, particularly in relation to infectious diseases.

### **3. Risks and Implications**

	<b>Risk</b>	<b>Mitigation</b>
PNA	No response to consultation.	Timetable of follow up actions in place and further publicity over Christmas to prompt response.
JSNA refresh	JSNA not completed in time.	Early discussions with departments have already commenced and will feed into a timetable of activity. Given the targeted nature of the refresh, responsibility for authoring and editorial control will be retained by the Public Health team. This should allow for greater control over the process and ensure that

		chapters are completed to deadline.
Strategic intentions for suicide and self harm prevention	Local action plan development delayed due to movement of files between the coroner's offices.	Draft action plan to be developed on initial analysis of data by March 2015.
Winter plan –Flu	Overall uptake of 75% not achieved for at risk groups.	Regular communications of uptake data to ensure all efforts are made to improve uptake.
Ebola response	Ineffective communication between partner organisations	Resilience group set up in RBWM and actions are being developed by each team. Links are being established with CCG Operational Leadership Team and there are robust links Thames Valley PHE and with the shared Director of Public Health and Public Health Consultants in unitaries in Berks.