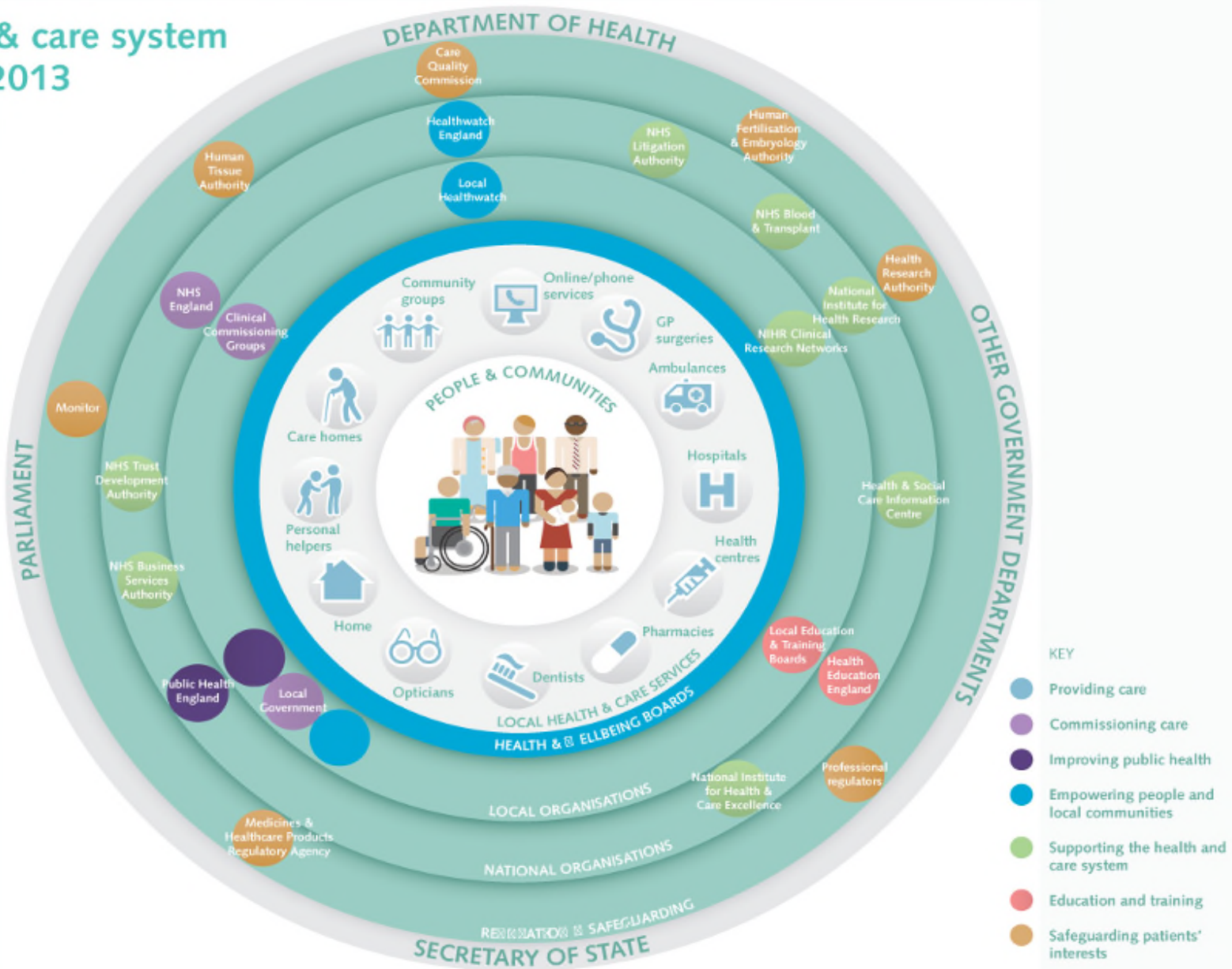


Health and Wellbeing Board Developments

The Future of the RBWM Health and
Wellbeing Board



The health & care system from April 2013



The Duties and Powers of HWBs from the Health and Social Care Act 2012

Duty to encourage integrated working

Duty to produce a Joint Strategic Needs Assessment and Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy. Members of the HWB must 'have regard' to JSNA & JHWS in exercising their functions

CCG must involve HWB in preparing or revising their commissioning plans

HWB has power to:

- Appoint additional members

- Require NHS England to attend meetings

- Request information

- Write to NHS England if CCG commissioning plan does not take account of JSNA/JHWS

- Express opinion as to whether LA is having enough regard to JSNA or JHWS



Other Key Points

Remit of the Board covers relevant functions of the LA, CCG and NHS England

HWB formal powers are very limited e.g. does *not* have power to sign-off commissioning plans

Legislation offers considerable scope to develop the role of the Board – if partners agree

A spectrum of options from information-sharing to executive decision-making

Other duties and responsibilities have come into the scope of the HWB, including signing-off and oversight of the Better Care Fund



Review of the HWB in RBWM from the Kings Fund 12 February 2015

Acknowledge that met the statutory functions but need to look at how to develop in a changing policy context.

Brought in The Kings Fund to give an independent view on:

- Understanding the evolving role of the HWB
- Take stock of progress
- Renewing the shared purpose with the changes that are needed to fulfil ambition



Strengths and Areas for Developments

- ✓ Good CCG/local authority relationships
- ✓ Respected Chair
- ✓ Good JSNA and JHWS
- ✓ Better Care Fund planning
- ✓ Partners committed to the HWB and see its potential value

- ? Difficult to identify specific things the Board has achieved
- ? Priorities and purpose could be clearer
- ? Board is reactive and process-driven
- ? Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy needs refreshing
- ? Frequency and style of meetings
- ? Membership
- ? Role of NHS England unclear
- ? Public engagement and profile of Board



Next Steps for HWB Development

- Refresh of the Terms of Reference with a clear shared vision – Summer 2015
- Refresh the JHWS and with a forward plan / annual work programme to support the delivery of the refreshed JHWS priorities – Autumn 2015
- Have a clearer understanding of the relationships with other bodies and their functions to get the best out of partnerships roles and responsibilities – Autumn 2015
- Raise the profile of the HWB and engagement with the public, including meeting in different venues across the Borough and further engagement events. – Summer 2015



The JHWS Progress on Priorities

The JHWS has 3 strategic priority themes underpinning twenty two performance objectives.

Theme 1 – Support a Healthy Population *everyone has the right to good health and to quality services that can support them to improve their health and wellbeing, and reduce inequalities in health (5)*

Theme 2 – Prevention and Early Intervention *support for people early to prevent a situation from getting worse or prevent a possible crisis from happening at all (10)*

Theme 3 – Enabling Residents to Maximise their Capabilities and Life Chances *improve the other factors that influence health and wellbeing for residents, including education, employment opportunities and access to suitable housing (7)*

