

SKC CCG Commissioner Update March 2016

IAPT Services:

The new IAPT Providers are settling in and providing services across SKC, with a presence in areas previously not covered, for example Dymchurch and Aylsham. The mobilization of the providers has not been without challenges, the more difficult being getting lease arrangements agreed and are often out of direct control. Providers have completed significant recruitment and have increased capacity. Work is planned to improve referrals from secondary MH to IAPT and Vis a vie, the transfer form that the MHAG membership commented on is increasingly being used in its revised format in SKC.

Primary Care Mental Health and Wellbeing Service:

SKC CCG has met with Porchlight the strategic partner for SKC and Thanet to consider ways to communicate the services and how they link with IAPT and Secondary Care services, especially for GP practices, where the aim is to make understanding what services meet particular MH needs clear and concise and how to signpost or refer patients to services, with an emphasis that early support and intervention can reduce problems from escalating if not addressed?

Secondary MH Services:

The contract round continues between KMPT and EK CCG, the process is much more informed as there are more people with an understanding of MH services and what needs to be done, in particular GPs. In April and May we will be able to share the Service Improvements agreed for the new contract year.

Children's MH:

The recommendations in the Kent, Children Local Transformation MH Plan set out a new system of support, beyond the traditional reach of commissioned services, recognising that promoting the emotional wellbeing of our children and young people is bigger than any individual organisation. The Plan outlines the work to take place across Kent between now and 2020. A significant element of the Plan is regarding procurement and delivery of the child and adolescent service contract across the whole pathway, including universal services (for example schools, health visitors) commissioned by Public Health, Early Help commissioned by KCC and specialist secondary care provision commissioned by the CCG with an element from KCC for Children in Care. The developments will be overseen by the Procurement Programme Board and a Transformation Board.