Report to Rutland Health and Wellbeing Board

Report No. 273-2013

Subject:	Planning for future Pharmaceutical Needs Assessments (PNA) and Joint Strategic Needs Assessments (JSNA) locally	
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Paper for:	Note/ Comment/ Approval	

Context, including links to strategic objectives and/or strategic plans:

Purpose of the report:

This report outlines a number of key responsibilities of Health and Wellbeing Boards regarding the development of PNAs and JSNAs, it recommends an approach for taking this work forward.

Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (PNA)

The Legislative Framework

- The Health and Social Care Act 2012 transfers responsibility for the developing and updating of PNAs to health and wellbeing boards (HWBs).
 Under the Act, the Department of Health has powers to make Regulations.
- The Health and Social Care Act 2012 established HWBs. The Act also transferred responsibility to develop and update PNAs from PCTs to HWBs. Responsibility for using PNAs as the basis for determining market entry to a pharmaceutical list transferred from PCTs to NHS England from 1 April 2013.
- From April 2013, Health and Wellbeing Boards (HWBs) will be developing PNAs for the first time. There are limited examples of practice involving HWBs however guidance has been produced by the Department for Health to assist HWBs (see further information attached at appendix A).
- The HWB is recommended to task the Executive and Integrated Commissioning Group (EICG) with taking forward the PNA on its behalf.

Key points for consideration

The Public Health team has carried out some initial work to better understand what is required as part of the process of developing a PNA, key points are noted as follows:

- This is new work for Rutland County Council, the team that was previously responsible for the PNA in the NHS transferred to NHS England under the 2013 Health and Social Care Act changes. This means that there is no expertise currently based in the Local Authority to take this work forward.
- A successful PNA is developed by triangulating population health needs, current service provision, the views of the population and stakeholder views. It is proposed that the public health team based at Leicestershire County

Council leads on this work, with regular reporting to the EICG.

- Public Health colleagues have held initial discussions with NHS England and NHS Greater East Midlands Commissioning Support Unit (GEM). The consultation and engagement work is key to delivery of the PNA. The regulations set out the following conditions for consultation:
 - a. HWBs must consult the bodies set out in Regulation 8 at least once during the process of developing the PNA. Any neighbouring HWBs who are consulted should ensure any Local Pharmaceutical Committee (LPC) in the area which is different from the LPC for the original HWB's area is consulted;
 - b. there is a minimum period of 60 days for consultation responses; and
 - c. those being consulted can be directed to a website address containing the draft PNA but can, if they request, be sent an electronic or hard copy version.
- There will be a need to secure additional support to progress the consultation for the PNA because the Local Authority Public Health Team do not have the resources or capacity in house to complete this. It is recommended that the GEM engagement team is approached as this team undertook the engagement activities for the last PNA for Leicestershire County and Rutland and therefore have some expertise in the area. This is currently being explored in more detail, it must be noted that there would be a cost attached to this.
- Links will need to be made with the pharmacy chapter in NHS England's primary care strategy as this will form some of the insight work.
- A draft timeline for developing the PNA is attached at appendix 2.

Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA)

From April 2013, following the assent of the Health and Social Care Act 2012, local authorities and Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs) have an equal and explicit duty to prepare JSNAs and Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategies, through the local Health and Wellbeing Board.

The HWB uses the JSNA to agree priorities in order to develop the Joint Health & Wellbeing Strategy. The Strategy, in turn, helps to shape local health and social care commissioning plans.

The JSNA for Rutland was last produced in 2012, appendix 2 outlines the draft timescales for developing the next JSNA which must take place every 3 years.

The PNA compliments the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA) because it enables the HWB and stakeholders to understand the pharmaceutical needs of our local population and use this information to develop pharmaceutical services to meet identified unmet needs.

It is recommended that the Executive and Integrated Commissioning Group (EICG) is tasked with taking forward the JSNA on behalf of the HWB, the three subgroups of

the HWB are recognised as key vehicles for developing the document so that it is a true reflection of local needs, as well as through a JSNA stakeholder event which Board members will host; this method has worked well previously.

The sign off of the JSNA will be through the HWB.

Appendix 2: Timescales for Rutland

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Timescale	Pharmaceutical	Joint Strategic	Joint Health and				
	Needs	Needs	Wellbeing				
	Assessment	Assessment	Strategy				
Jan-14							
Feb-14							
Mar-14							
Apr-14							
May-14							
Jun-14	Start Development						
Jul-14							
Aug-14							
Sep-14							
Oct-14							
Nov-14	Consultation						
Dec-14	Neighbouring						
Jan-15	HWBs						
Feb-15	Design						
Mar-15	Publication						
Apr-15							
May-15							
Jun-15							
Jul-15		Start Development					
Aug-15							
Sep-15							
Oct-15							
Nov-15		Consultation					
Dec-15		Publication					
Jan-16							
Feb-16			Start Development				
Mar-16							
Apr-16							
May-16							
Jun-16			Consultation				
Jul-16			Design				
Aug-16			Publication				

Financial implications:

There will be costs associated with the development of the PNA, particularly with regards to engagement work. Further information and a full proposal will be provided at a future HWB meeting.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that the Health and Wellbeing Board:

(a) Notes and discusses the contents of this report

- (b) Recognises that the development of the PNA and JSNA are two separate pieces of work
- (c) Approves the direction of travel outlined in this report
- (d) Tasks the EICG with monitoring the development of each piece of work, reporting back to the HWB with key progress on a regular basis.
- (e) Approves the timescales outlined in appendix 2.

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Time	M	This project is a new project for the county council and the Public Health department. It is a statutory duty and it is therefore a requirement that Rutland County Council ensure that this project is delivered in 2015.
Viability	L	The public health team will lead on both pieces of work.
Finance	М	Budget for 2014/15 has been allocated to complete the work; the projected budget is for £15k.
Profile		
Equality & Diversit	ty	