


Agenda Item: 10

<h2 style="margin: 0;">Governing Body</h2> <h3 style="margin: 0;"><i>held in public</i></h3>	<h2 style="margin: 0;">Report</h2> <p style="margin: 0;">Date of Meeting:</p>
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Report Title	Bedfordshire End of Life and Palliative Care Strategy		
Report Author	Presented By	Responsible Director	
Angelina Florio Senior Commissioner – Out of Hospital Integration	Dr Gina George BCCG EoL Clinical Lead And Angelina Florio Senior Commissioner – Out of Hospital Integration	Nicky Wadely Signature:  <hr style="border: 1px solid red;"/>	
Purpose for presenting report	The Governing Body is asked to note the content of the strategy which has been developed in collaboration with a wide group of stakeholders across the health and social care system and service users. This will align the CCG Strategy across BLMK using learning from other CCGs.		
Action Required:	The Governing Body is asked to approve the strategy which contains the local vision for end of life care which is to deliver personalised and well-co-ordinated care that empowers patients to make informed choices about their care in Bedfordshire.		
Approval Route:	Executive Management Committee		
Further Assurance:	No		
Which Strategic Objectives does this report provide evidence for?			Please Tick √
We will commission high quality, safe and sustainable models of care that deliver effective clinical outcomes and patient experience using evidence based decisions and best practice			√
We will ensure that there is a financially sustainable and affordable healthcare system in Bedfordshire.			√
We will lead, engage and operate as an effective place based and STP wide system partner to achieve greater integration of care delivery.			√
We will support local people and stakeholders to have an influence on services we commission to ensure our decisions are informed and shaped by local views and insights.			√
We will operate and manage our Governing Body to the highest standards of accountability and transparency.			√
Implications/Assessments	Yes	No	N/A
Have any financial implications been signed off by the Chief Finance Officer?			N/A
Have any quality implications been signed off by the Director of Nursing & Quality?			N/A
Have any privacy implications been signed off by the Head of Information Governance?			N/A
Have any conflicts of interest implications been signed off by the Corporate Office?			N/A

Have any public engagement implications been signed off by the Head of Communications & Engagement?			N/A
Has an Equality Impact Assessment been carried out?			N/A
Key Risks	There is a risk that stakeholders may not sign up to the content of the strategy. This would result in the non-delivery of the strategy. Action taken to mitigate this risk: much collaborative work has been undertaken with a wide group of stakeholders from across the health and care system. Stakeholders have supported to shape the strategy and direction of travel within it.		
Executive Summary	This strategy document outlines a local vision for end of life care to deliver personalised and well-co-ordinated care that empowers patients to make informed choices about their care in Bedfordshire.		

Introduction

This strategy document outlines a local vision for end of life care to deliver personalised and well-co-ordinated care that empowers patients to make informed choices about their care in Bedfordshire.

Background

The outcome of key pieces of work including an end of life audit, safeguarding audit, STP wide end of life work have resulted in the development of priorities for improving end of life across Bedfordshire. The previous Bedfordshire strategy for end of life required updating and this is an opportunity to align the system to priorities and objectives for improving quality and delivery across all commissioned services in Bedfordshire.

Discussion

The strategy outlines how Bedfordshire CCG proposes to do this over the next three years: 2019 to 2022. Furthermore, this will form the basis of detailed action plans produced to deliver the CCG objectives across all its commissioned providers. A Bedfordshire End of Life Care Improvement Group chaired by the CCG Clinical Lead who is a General Practitioner in Bedfordshire and attended by health and social care partners, independent and voluntary sectors and patient representatives will monitor and drive the objectives.

The strategy has been shared very widely both at face to face meetings where partnership discussions have been held to shape the strategy and via email. Comments and suggestions received have been incorporated into this version. The strategy has been very well received by system partners and as such the risk to providers not signing up is negligible.

The strategy is in line with the Ambitions for Palliative and End of Life Care: A national framework for local action 2015–2020. It is also in line with the BLMK end of life care priorities. In addition, the strategy takes into consideration local audits that have been carried out and incorporates the learning from these.

The implementation plan will contain outcome measures which will be used to monitor and evaluate the impact of the delivery of the strategy against the identified objectives.

Key outcomes will include:

- An increase in the percentage of people achieving their preferred place of care and preferred place of death
- All those identified as in need of palliative and end of life care will be offered the opportunity to have an advance care plan
- An operational EPaCCS system across all providers
- A reduction in unnecessary hospital admissions for those receiving end of life care

The success against the achievement of these outcomes will be regularly monitored, evaluated and reported using national and local quantitative and qualitative information and data. Updates will be provided through the Bedfordshire End of Life Improvement Group.

Recommendation

The Governing Body is asked to note the content of the strategy which has been developed in collaboration with a wide group of stakeholders across the health and social care system and service users.

The Governing Body is asked to approve the strategy which contains the local vision for end of life care which is to deliver personalised and well-co-ordinated care that empowers patients to make informed choices about their care in Bedfordshire.