

Escalation and Assurance Report

Report from the: Mental Health legislation committee

Date the meeting took place: 20th May 2021

Report to the: Council of Governors

Key discussion points and matters to be escalated from the discussion at the meeting:

Alert:

- The Committee Chair was briefed privately by the Medical Director regarding the detention of a young person on PICU and the complex care required from the MDT. CQC and NHSE/I informed and discussions ongoing to secure an appropriate bed for the person close to their home where possible
- Committee has been monitoring performance of the timeliness of reports to hospital manger hearings and tribunals, performance has dipped significantly over the past 3 months therefore MHLC have commissioned an RPIW which will report back to July committee

Advise:

- Committee received a detailed presentation of an audit of S136 undertaken to evaluate the impact of MH teams working as part of the police teams. Outcomes for service users are positive however more analysis is required to understand arrest outcomes and demographic data. Performance monitoring of the S136 will continue and further updates on the initiative will be provided to MHLC
- The positive and proactive group is a key enabler for the work of the MHLC as it monitors compliance with MHA and restrictive practices, providing detailed reports to MHLC for scrutiny. It is proposed that NEDs attend in rota to observe their work over the coming 6 months which should provide both greater understanding and additional assurance

Assure:

- It has been agreed by committee members to review the work of the committee and to explore and agree how to improve focus on the experience of Service users when detained under the MHA. A development is being planned to take this work forward
- The Committee received a comprehensive action plan update on SI 2020.6409. The Committee was satisfied that the additional information, coupled with detailed feedback from the Service Manager, Adult Community Mental Health provided strong assurance that actions were on track and regularly reviewed by managers and team leaders.

Risks discussed:

- None

New risks identified:

- None

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