



REPORT TO: MORAY INTEGRATION JOINT BOARD CLINICAL AND CARE GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE ON 27 AUGUST 2020

SUBJECT: ADULT PROTECTION INSPECTION PREPARATION

BY: JANE MACKIE, HEAD OF SERVICE

1. REASON FOR REPORT

- 1.1. To inform the Committee of work underway with regards to a review of Adult Support and Protection processes in Moray

2. RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1. **It is recommended that the Committee consider and note the contents of this report.**

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1. A self-evaluation of Adult Support and Protection (ASP) processes in Moray took place in Spring 2019.
- 3.2. Workshops with health and social care staff from Moray were undertaken in response to the outcomes from the self-evaluation.
- 3.3. A programme of review and improvement was established from these workshops with emphasis initially being based on supporting development and progression of a new process in screening ASP concerns at Health and Social Care Moray (HSCM) Access Team. This included an emphasis on working towards an Initial Referral Discussion (IRD) process. A screening tool has been developed with a trial ongoing with Access Team at present.

4. KEY MATTERS RELEVANT TO RECOMMENDATION

- 4.1. The self-evaluation and review of ASP concluded various work streams are required from a strategic level to support improved processes around ASP in Moray. This had commenced prior to the COVID-19 pandemic. Inevitably due to the HSCM response to the pandemic this work had been paused until

support was made available to re-start. This directly links to the requirement to prepare for inspection with an improvement plan in place around ASP in Moray.

- 4.2. The appointment of a new Senior Performance and Planning Officer (role which was previously supporting the ASP review programme) will support with this review restarting and work progressing again. This is a priority of the post holder to support with this work recommencing when they start on 31 August 2020.
- 4.3. The care inspectorate have communicated they planned to meet on 4 August 2020 to discuss recommencing their ASP inspection programme with a review of how this will now take place due to restrictions relating to their work from COVID-19. Further communication is expected and can be disseminated once received.
- 4.4. Moray is part of the Grampian ASP Policy and HSCM continues to work alongside partners in preparation for potential inspection. We are aware that Moray will be inspected at the same time as Aberdeen City and this will inevitably have an impact on NHS and Police Scotland also.
- 4.5. Review and redesign of ASP in Moray will now recommence with a review of the previous action plan, which will be updated accordingly. It is planned that the improved screening process and IRD system will be fully operational by March 2021.

5. SUMMARY OF IMPLICATIONS

(a) Corporate Plan and 10 Year Plan (Local Outcomes Improvement Plan (LOIP)) and Moray Integration Joint Board Strategic Plan “Moray Partners in Care 2019 – 2029”

This links to Outcome 7 of the Strategic Plan – People using health and social care services are safe from harm.

(b) Policy and Legal

In line with Adult Support and Protection (Scotland) Act 2007, in managed care settings within the Grampian area.

(c) Financial implications

There are no financial implication arising as a direct result of this report.

(d) Risk Implications and Mitigation

The risk of ASP service delivery not meeting an acceptable standard are being managed and mitigated by the ASP group with any high or very high risks being escalated to System Leadership Group for assistance and support.

(e) Staffing Implications

There are no staffing implications arising as a direct result of this report.

(f) Property

There are no property implications arising as a direct result of this report.

(g) Equalities/Socio Economic Impact

An Equality Impact Assessment is not required because there are no changes to policy as a result of this report.

(h) Consultations

Consultations have taken place with the following staff who are in agreement with the content of this report in relation to their area of responsibility:

- Chief Social Worker,
- Corporate Manager and
- Moira Patrick, Democratic Services Manager.

6. CONCLUSION

Review and redesign of ASP in Moray will now recommence in preparation for inspection.

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