

Executive Response to Scrutiny

Once the Scrutiny Review Lead has presented to the Executive, the following will go to the next appropriate scrutiny meeting as part of that response.

End of Life Care: A Review Report of the Adult Social Care Scrutiny Commission, October 2018

Response to Recommendations

Scrutiny Recommendation	Executive Decision	Progress/Action	Timescales
The Assistant Mayor for Adult Social Care and the Executive are asked to consider the following recommendations:			
Assurances are sought that social care practitioners dealing with people at end of life are skilled in having conversations about end of life with either the person involved and/or their family from an early stage.	The Executive endorsed the recommendation	<p>Discussions about end of life care and preparation are undertaken with serviced users, where relevant to their life and health circumstances. Where service users do not have mental capacity to determine decision about their end of life care discussions will be had with Court of Protection appointed Deputies for personal welfare if appointed or through formal 'best interest' decision making meeting/s.</p> <p>These conversations are undertaken at differing points including (i) at the point of planning for long term care via both the assessment process in determining eligibility for statutory social care (under the Care Act) and</p>	Audit by 10/19 – reporting back to Scrutiny by 03/20.

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		<p>establishing a care plan for meeting needs and (ii) by care provider organisations (e.g. care homes) in their planning for day to day care. Social care staff will also liaise with NHS staff in discussing and planning for end of life care and decision making. In 2019/20 Social Care and Education will undertake a focused case file / records audit as part of the ongoing QA process to determine that appropriate discussions and plans are being discussed re end of life care. This will be reported back to ASC Scrutiny in the year 2019/20. The Director for Adult Social Care and Commissioning will lead the review.</p>	
<p>Assurances are sought that the different needs, which should include cultural backgrounds and other demographic information for the individual, are considered when talking to patients and families about end of life pathways in the social care setting.</p>	<p>The Executive endorsed the recommendation</p>	<p>Refer to above, this will be included in the case file / records audit.</p>	<p>As above.</p>

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The ICRS team protocols are reviewed to ensure their out of hours procedures are well equipped to deal with end of life.	The Executive endorsed the recommendation	Director for Adult Social Care and Safeguarding and Head of Service for Independent Living (in which ICRS is managed) will undertake review in first quarter of 2019/20	Review in Q1 2019/20, reporting back to ASC Scrutiny by 03/20
The Health and Wellbeing Scrutiny Commission are asked to consider the following recommendations:			
Consider looking at how the how the Derby and Derbyshire Out of Hours End of Life care service operates with the ASC Department and NHS Services. Where possible best practice from this model should be embedded in Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland end of life protocols.	The Executive endorsed the recommendation	Recommendation will be passported to incoming Chair of Health Scrutiny in 2019/20 for their consideration as part of the Scrutiny Commissions workplan in 2019/20.	By 07/19
Consider looking into end of life care by NHS services and ensure that early conversations are being had with patients and their families.	The Executive endorsed the recommendation	Recommendation will be passported to incoming Chair of Health Scrutiny in 2019/20 for their consideration as part of the Scrutiny Commissions workplan in 2019/20.	By 07/19

