

Autism Update 2017

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Purpose of the presentation

- To provide an overview of the diagnostic pathway
- Available support services
- Progress update on the LLR Autism Strategy and Self Assessment Framework
- Priorities for 2018/19
- Next Steps



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- Overview of:
- Diagnostic Pathway
- Post Diagnosis Support Services



Autistic Spectrum Disorder Legislation and Guidance

National policies and statutory duties

**Think Autism
(2014)**

- Duty on public sector bodies to work in partnership to support people with an autistic spectrum condition

**Autism Act
(2009)**

- Strategic framework for supporting people with an autistic spectrum condition

**Statutory
Guidance
(2015)**

- Clear requirements for Local Authorities & NHS partners on what must and what should be achieved



Progress to date - What have we done?

**Leicester
Leicestershire and
Rutland Autism
Partnership Board**

- A board with members from across public and private sector services, carers, & adults with an Autistic Spectrum Disorder.
- Creation of an LLR Autism Strategy 2014 to 2019

**Autism Carers
group**

- For carers of people with autism. Its feeds back carers concerns to the LLR Autism Board.

**Extended LLR
Autism Board
membership to
include probation**

- To ensure that there is representation from across education, the criminal Justice system, police, and the DWP.



Progress to date - What have we done?

**Training
E-learning**

- Autism training commissioned by the LLR Autism group will offer a consistent message and autism awareness training.

**Autism Self-
Assessment**

- Self - Assessment set against Department of Health guidance co-ordinated by Local Authorities but included NHS and public sector partners.

**Autism
Self Assessment
framework (SAF)**

- Leicester City Partners self assessed as being good in the following areas: Partnership work, Involving people, training, diagnostic pathway, Information sharing.



Self Assessment – Actions to improve the following 3 Red Rated areas:

Post Diagnostic Support

- The TCP are looking at funding the development of a specialist Asperger's support service. A meeting to discuss is scheduled for the 30th of October 2017

Diagnosis waiting times

- £530,000 additional CCG investment into LPT assessment services to improve waiting times.

Data, intelligence and knowing locally how Autism effects people

- An Initial scoping meeting with Public health has been set up to discuss a city wide JSpNA to understand the local need.



What are our priorities for 2018/19

Enhanced Governance

- To report to Learning Disability Partnership Board, to provide greater accountability

Post Diagnostic Support

- To support individuals and carers to understand what a diagnosis of autism will mean for them and how to manage this situation

Data Information & data quality

- Complete a JSpNA for Autism in Leicester City to Improve data accuracy and quality



What are our priorities for 2018/19

Preparing for adult hood

- To help build skills for young adults to becoming independent.

Reasonable Adjustments

- Embedding the Equalities act and sharing information across services about our duty to people with autism under the equalities act.

Criminal justice system

- A flow of information has been provided to the Criminal Justice system and this partnership needs to be developed



What's Next ?

LLR Autism Board

- Planned Training Audit 2018
- Completion of Completion of Strategy Delivery Action Plan
- National Autism Week
- Consultation and Engagement on Strategy 2019 to start in Q1 2018

