#### DERBYSHIRE HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD

### 11 July 2019

### Report of the Director of Public Health

#### **HEALTH PROTECTION BOARD UPDATE**

# 1. Purpose of the Report

To provide an overview of the key messages arising from the Derbyshire Health Protection Board, which met on the 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2019. The Board is a formal sub group of the Derbyshire County Health and Wellbeing Board and the Derby City Health and Wellbeing Board.

### 2. Performance Update

# 2.1 <u>Emergency Preparedness, Resilience and Response (EPRR)</u>

- (a) The board was provided with an update from the Derbyshire health protection response group
  - Agreed to continue to meet quarterly
  - Flu commissioning response has been completed and signed off by CCG.
  - Consideration of the development of a flow chart to provide clarity around the response process.

### 2.2 Screening and Immunisation Programmes

The board received update and assurance report from the Screening and Immunisation team, which included:

- The Screening and Immunisation Team (SIT) continues to work with stakeholders to develop initiatives to increase uptake as part of the North Midlands MMR Elimination Action Plan.
- The Seasonal Flu Planning Group meet on the 28th March 2019 to evaluate the year's flu season and start planning for 2019/20. Uptake was comparable to last season 2017/18.
- Shingles Working Group The group is exploring local call/recall and data recording processes, and key contacts within primary care to support in increasing uptake in eligible patients.
- Screening Programmes Performance Cervical Cancer Screening Programme – The laboratory turnaround time (TAT) of samples has now returned to within the 14 day performance standard with 1.41% of samples of samples breaching the 21 day TAT standard.

#### (b) Bowel Screening Program Detailed Report

 The North Derbyshire Bowel Screening Centre, South Derbyshire Bowel Screening Centre, and Eastern Bowel Hub, are all high performing services that regularly meet the programme standards, and have good systems in place to monitor if improvement is required.

- During 2017/18 the Hub sent invitations to 101,963 eligible individuals across Derbyshire, with an uptake of 60.21%. This exceeds the national minimum target of 52% and delivers the achievable target set at 60% nationally.
- Colonoscopy uptake is at 76.34% for North Derbyshire and 79.28% for South Derbyshire, lower than the 81% standard, however similar to the Midlands & East regional average of 78.25%.
- Evidence has shown that the addition of GP endorsement to screening invitation letters resulted in a slight increase of uptake along with the reminder letter. Consent from GPs to add their endorsement to letters has to be gained locally.
- The local authority health protection team are currently mapping stakeholders across the community who work with the key groups identified within the Bowel Health Equity Audit.

# 2.3 <u>Infection Prevention and Control (IP&C)</u>

Tameside and Glossop integrated care presented an overview of the integrated IP&C services which operate across acute and community settings.

### 2.4 Environmental Health

- (a) An update was provided from the Air Quality Working group.
- (b) There is consideration in regards to a future event to support planning officers and environmental health officers to utilise planning systems to reduce the impact of air pollution.

# 2.5 <u>Inequalities</u>

#### (a) Screening inequalities

The STP cancer screening work stream are currently developing a multi stakeholder action plan looking at improving cancer screening uptake and reducing inequalities.

#### (b) Vulnerable TB pathway

Work is continuing to ensure appropriate care pathways for TB patients who are hospitalised and assessed as being homeless or at risk of becoming homeless.

### (c) National TB Strategy Update

- The strategy is coming to an end next year.
- The new strategy will have a renewed focus in particular areas including underserved populations.
- A network and education event will take place early autumn.

# (d) Hepatitis C

- Continuing with the delivery network groups and meeting
- Substance misuse commissioners are currently reviewing a pilot with pharmacies around Hepatitis C testing

# 2.6 <u>Emerging and Recent incidents</u>

 The board discussed recent incidents and outbreaks taking into account any lessons learnt. The group agreed to look at communication with new community groups around vaccination and the process for rapid communication with GP practices.

#### 3. Recommendation

The Health and Wellbeing Board are asked to note this update report from the Health Protection Board.

Dean Wallace
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