

DERBYSHIRE HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD**3 October 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 2nd July 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 Emergency Preparedness, Resilience and Response (EPRR)**

- (a) Derbyshire Health Protection Response Group discussed the following:
- Terms of reference reviewed and agreed.
 - Review of organisational contacts pathway
 - Group to reissue guidance to care settings around influenza
 - Review of outbreaks and themes

2.2 Screening and Immunisation Programs

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 next Seasonal Flu Planning Group will meet in July 2019 to discuss and review provider preparations and readiness before the start of influenza season.
- Shingles Working Group – holding quarterly meetings.
- Screening Programmes Performance – Bowel cancer screening hubs would switch from Faecal Occult Blood test to Faecal Immunochemical Test with effect from 7th June 2019.

(b) Cervical Screening Program Detailed Report

- The Screening Quality Assurance Service (SQAS) visit had been undertaken at the University Hospitals of Derby and Burton NHS Foundation Trust (UHDBFT).
- Primary HPV screening work had continued across Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire.
- Stakeholders should continue to work collaboratively to address inequalities to ensure that all patients eligible to attend screening are supported to engage with the cervical cancer screening program.

2.3 Infection Prevention and Control (IP&C)

The Health protection board received a summary report of IPC assurance by the CCG including updates on the following:

- MRSA Bacteraemia
- Clostridium difficile
- E.coli blood stream infections
- Meticillin Sensitive Staphylococcus Aureus (MSSA)

2.4 Inequalities

(a) Hepatitis C

- The Operational Delivery Network continued to meet quarterly and treatment rates were currently being met.
- Chesterfield Royal Hospital continued to increase treatment and capacity.
- Peer educators were in place in North Derbyshire and facilitating treatment engagement.
- Pilot testing in the pharmacy needle exchange was in progress but uptake was still low.
- An initiative was planned in partnership with Pathways, a service for the homeless in Chesterfield, to work with the Hepatitis C Trust to promote and facilitate testing.

2.6 Emerging and Recent incidents

- 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.

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