Child & Adolescent Mental Health Services

Health Overview & Scrutiny Committee

– 18th September 2008



Strategic context

- CAMHS a national priority NSF and PSA targets
- SHA priority
 - Reduce admissions to inpatient child & adolescent MH services by 20% by 31 March 2011 from the 2006/7 baseline
 - Make available the full range of specialist communitybased CAMHS to residents of every PCT by 31 March 2011
- Local priority both Children's & YP's Trust Boards are committed to improving emotional well-being and mental health

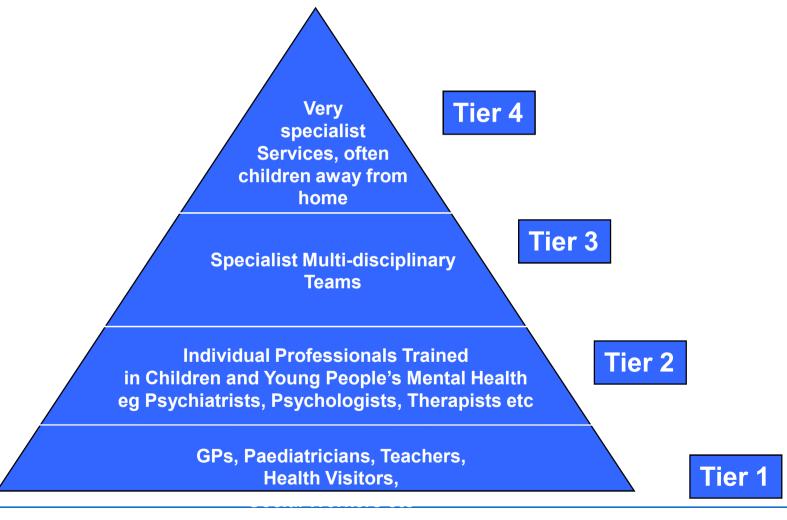


Strategic Priorities within Wiltshire CAMHS Strategy

- Continue to focus on promoting emotional wellbeing/building resilience
- Implement recommendations of recent review of Wiltshire's Pathway for Trouble Children
- Have a clearer focus on children and young people with very challenging behaviour
- Sustain and build on progress made to meet PSA targets for comprehensive CAMHS
- To move from 3 providers to a single provider of specialist CAMHS
- Improve access to and value for money in Tier 4 Services



The 4-tier model for CAMHS





Why tender for a new Tier 3 & 4 service?

- Different service models, standards, access and equity
- Complex commissioning arrangements with no clear specification, performance measures or outcome monitoring
- Tendering gives us an opportunity to develop new ideas, learn from providers and secure the best possible services for our population
- However tendering is not the answer to everything- this is just the start of a programme of development



Developing the specification

- Staff workshops, email facility & website
- 3 pronged approach to user involvement:
 - 1. Children & their families who have used the service
 - Looked After Children
 - 3. General population
- Clinical group
 - NICE & NSF guidance
 - Best practice identification
 - Listening to priorities identified from user involvement



Emerging issues

- Better communication and transition needed with adult mental health services
- More consistent and equitable provision across Wiltshire
- Better developed services for infant and early years mental health
- A need for robust emergency arrangements and more intensive or crisis support provision
- Improved pathways for Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder and Autistic Spectrum Disorder needed
- Better services for Children with Learning Disabilities and Children whose parents have mental health problems
- Better community based services to reduce the need for inpatient (Tier 4) services especially through spot purchasing arrangements
- Stronger links with Tier 2 and mental health initiatives in schools
- More involvement of children & their families in the delivery and development of services.



Timetable

Date	Action
24th June 2008	PCT Board approval to tender for Tiers 3 & 4 CAMHS
25th June 2008	Notice given to providers of current services
25th June 2008	PCTs place advert in OJEU and informs interested parties
Mid July 2008	PCTs hold visioning sessions for staff and stakeholders
18th Aug 2008	Interested parties deadline to register interest from OJEU
21st Aug 2008	PCTs issues PQQ for tender for services provision
4th Sept 2008	PQQ Forum for interested parties
22nd Sept 2008	Interested parties deadline for responses to PQQ
24 th Oct 2008	PCTs will have evaluated and shortlisted, and issued ITPD
6 th Nov 2008	Bidder session for short-listed parties.
19 th Dec 2008	Bidder deadline to respond to ITPD
Jan to Feb 2009	Evaluation and short-listing
Mar to May 2009	Competitive Dialogue with short-listed parties
30th May 2009	Issue of final specification to bidders
4th July 2009	Bidder deadline response to final specification
Aug 2009	Evaluation and selection of preferred bidder
Sept 2009	PCTs Board approval on preferred bidder & award of contract

