



OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE 12th July 2010

ALCOHOL SERVICES

CONTEXT

AVERAGE AMOUNT OF LIFE LOST DUE TO ALCOHOL CONDITIONS (NWPFO 2008)

Men – England 9.4 months

Wirral 13 months

Cheshire 12 months

Women – England 4.4 months

Wirral 6 months

Cheshire 6 months

ALCOHOL RELATED HOSPITAL ADMISSIONS per 100,000 POPULATION 2002-9

Central and Eastern Cheshire – 1,616

64% increase over the seven years

Western Cheshire – 1,647

60% increase over the seven years

Wirral – 2,423

92% increase over the seven years

CWP are commissioned by NHS Wirral, NHS Western Cheshire and Central & East Cheshire PCT to deliver alcohol treatment services to the population of Cheshire and the Wirral. The population of Wirral is 330,000. The population of West Cheshire is 264,000. The population of Central and East Cheshire is 466,980.

The services in Cheshire are available to those who are referred by their GP or who refer themselves and are :

- Moderate and severe, possibly dependent, drinkers
- Drinkers with complex needs
- Those with complicating factors, eg. Pregnancy, treatment for other conditions
- Those for whom brief interventions are not appropriate
- Alcohol users within hospital settings (local variations)
- Alcohol users requiring community detox or inpatient detox

The services in Wirral are available to those alcohol users who meet the criteria listed for Cheshire and also for alcohol users assessed as at increasing risk and at higher risk. The services for these users assessed as at increasing risk and at higher risk were commissioned originally by Neighbourhood Renewal Funding in 2006 and since 2008 this funding has been continued by the PCT.

There are alcohol services based in Birkenhead, Ellesmere Port, Chester, Northwich, Crewe and Macclesfield with satellite services from community bases on a part time basis in other areas.

WIRRAL

Contract Value - £1,373.944

23 wte staff

351 clients in structured treatment (14th May 2010)

WEST CHESHIRE

Contract Value - £861,341

12 wte staff inc. Hospital Liaison Worker

Temporary six month funding from LA for homeless outreach worker

437 clients in structured treatment (14th May 2010)

CENTRAL AND EAST CHESHIRE

Contract Value - £730,519

Central

1.8 wte staff

Temporary funding from Probation for 1 wte for 2010/11

59 clients in structured treatment (14th May 2010)

Integrated Service with CIC (Community Integrated Care) (commissioned separately by PCT)

East

7.69 wte staff including Hospital Liaison Worker

160 clients in structured treatment (14th May 2010)

Definitions: wte – whole time equivalent

structured treatment – treatment provided following the Models of Care for Alcohol Misuse best practice guidance, eg: comprehensive assessment, care planning and review, a range of evidence based prescribing interventions, a range of structured evidence-based psychosocial therapies and support

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