

Health and Wellbeing Board e-bulletin (No. 1)

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This bulletin provides information for Health and Wellbeing Board members with the aim of updating them on news, policy, guidance and events, that impact on the Board or relate to its role and remit. There are links to further, more detailed, information set out in the text. Please feel free to forward this e-mail to anyone else you think might be interested. The bulletin will be posted on the [Calderdale Forward website](#).

This bulletin covers the period from the 1st September to 21st November 2011. Key documents published before September are available in the [resource library](#).

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National:

- ***Joint Statement on the future of public health*** - A [Joint statement](#) on the future of public health in England by the Local Government Association, British Medical Association, Faculty of Public Health, Association of Directors of Public Health, NHS Confederation and Royal College of Midwives has been published. It sets out 12 areas of agreement intended to shape future national discussion on legislation, guidance and implementation of the Government reforms.
- ***New partnerships, new opportunities: setting up and running health and wellbeing boards*** – '[New partnerships, new opportunities](#)' is a resource launched by the Healthy Communities programme and Local Government Association aimed at all those involved

in, or with an interest in, setting up and running effective health and wellbeing boards (HWBs). The resource contains the following information:

- discussion about the main opportunities, challenges and solutions involved in setting up boards and key messages based on these discussions
 - questions to consider when preparing for HWBs
 - case studies showing the journeys of nine boards from around the country (*including Calderdale*)
 - a summary of national and regional resources available to support implementation
- ***Operating principles for health and wellbeing boards*** - The operating principles in this [paper](#), published on the 18th October, were developed by a number of national organisations to support the effective establishment of health and wellbeing boards. These operating principles are designed to be a realistic and practical response to supporting health and wellbeing boards. They are intended to help board members consider how to create really effective partnerships across local government and the NHS.
 - ***Smoothing the way: developing local healthwatch through lessons from local involvement networks*** - This [briefing](#) lists ten points that the Centre for Public Scrutiny believe are key for developing a successful local Healthwatch organisation.
 - ***Developing Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs): Towards Authorisation*** – the documentation below is an early draft of an authorisation framework for Clinical Commissioning Groups. It aims to outline the practical ways in which CCGs can take up development opportunities, and the ways in which it is anticipated that they might become authorised. Key requirements for CCGs include: a strong clinical and professional focus which brings real added value; meaningful engagement with patients, carers and their communities; clear and credible plans which continue to deliver the QIPP (quality, innovation, productivity and prevention) challenge within financial resources; proper constitutional and governance arrangements; collaborative arrangements for commissioning with other CCGs, local authorities and the NHS Commissioning Board; and, outstanding leadership skills.
Further development and testing will help to refine and improve the detail of the framework. PCT clusters are requested to discuss it locally with emerging CCGs and local authorities, and to share any feedback.
 - [Draft Authorisation Framework; Appendix 1 – The likely legislative requirements; Appendix 2 – Risk assessment of configuration; Appendix 3 – Developing a great clinical commissioning group; Appendix 4 – Supporting documentation for clinical commissioning groups](#)
 - ***Health and Wellbeing Boards: Developing Assurance*** – This [briefing](#) produced by the Good Governance Institute has been developed as a prompt for those involved in the development of Health and Wellbeing Boards (HWBs) to work on local assurance of the new HWB arrangements. The HWB Board Assurance Prompt can be used to raise awareness around good practice and is intended to support informed debate as the precise form and role of HWBs emerge, and to encourage local health and social care economies to lay the foundations for better partnership working.

- ***The Healthy Communities programme FREE regional conferences:*** Healthy Communities: Building on the past, shaping the future together. A regional event is being held in Leeds on **Thursday 8 December 2011**. Click [here](#) for further information. To book your place, please contact Cynthia Taylor on telephone: 020 7664 3163 or email: cynthia.taylor@local.gov.uk

Local:

- ***Draft minutes – Calderdale Health & Wellbeing Board (25th October 2011)***- The draft minutes are now available [here](#). The next meeting will take place on the 31st January 2012 at 14.00hrs.
- ***Local Healthwatch Consultation Event & Draft Outline for Commissioning Local Healthwatch*** – On 21 September Calderdale Council held an event to gather views on the development of local Healthwatch. A report pulling together the key themes that emerged from discussions is available [here](#). A draft [outline](#) for commissioning is now available and completed feedback [forms](#) should be sent to Sarah Manfredi by the 9th January 2012. For more information please contact Sarah Manfredi, Locality and Commissioning Manager. Email: sarah.manfredi@calderdale.gov.uk .
- ***Calderdale Substance Misuse Partnership – Alcohol Strategy 2010/13*** - This [partnership strategy](#) outlines the vision that Calderdale should be a place where alcohol is used responsibly and causes no harm. For further information or copies of the document please contact Libby Furness, Senior Programme Manager for Substance Misuse on 01422 281441 or libby.furness@calderdale.nhs.uk .
- ***Director of Public Health – Annual Report for Calderdale 2011*** - Graham Wardman, Director of Public Health, has published his [annual report](#).

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