# Derbyshire Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2012-2015

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# 1. What is the Health and Wellbeing Strategy?

#### Derbyshire's strategic vision

The vision for Derbyshire is to reduce health inequalities and improve health and wellbeing across all stages of life by working in partnership with our communities.

This Health and Wellbeing Strategy sets out the priorities that partners across Derbyshire will focus on to achieve this vision. The overarching aims of the strategy are to reduce health inequalities, strengthen investment in prevention, and deliver high quality care.

#### Derbyshire's priorities

In developing this strategy we have agreed five high-level priorities for Derbyshire. Work done to agree these priorities drew on evidence from the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA) on local health and wellbeing needs. We sought views from local stakeholders through our stakeholder engagement forums, and conducted a Derbyshire-wide consultation on the proposed priorities.

#### Derbyshire's priorities are to:

- Improve health and wellbeing in early years because giving our children the best start in life will help them achieve their full potential and benefit them throughout their lives
- Promote healthy lifestyles because individuals and communities need the right support in order to make the best choices for their health
- Improve emotional and mental health because good emotional and mental health is everyone's business and a fundamental building block for individual and community wellbeing
- Promote the independence of people living with long term conditions and their carers – because helping people to manage their condition better can significantly improve quality of life and reduce the need for hospital or emergency care
- Improve health and wellbeing of older people because giving older people the right support in the right environment will help them enjoy good quality, active, healthy and fulfilling lives.

#### Determinants of health and wellbeing

Health and wellbeing are determined by a variety of characteristics. At the individual level age, gender and lifestyle affect health. Being part of family, social and community networks also has a significant impact on people's wellbeing. Other important factors are the wider determinants such as employment, education, housing and the environment. This strategy aims to make a difference across all these determinants of health and wellbeing.

#### Health inequalities

We will reduce health inequalities by focussing on individuals and communities in Derbyshire who have poorer health or who have difficulty accessing services. This includes people living in deprived communities, people on low incomes, and vulnerable or disadvantaged groups.

#### Collaboration for effective action

We must work together across organisations and alongside our community to improve the health and wellbeing of people in Derbyshire. We can do this more effectively by building on the strengths of our community and focusing on the same issues at the same time. We need to develop more effective mechanisms for sharing information and resources across sectors. In this way we will be empowered to influence the wide range of determinants that contribute to wellbeing. Everyone in Derbyshire has to play their part if we are to succeed.

#### Strategic links

The Health and Wellbeing Strategy for Derbyshire is an overarching strategy aligned with Derbyshire's Sustainable Community Strategy and will be underpinned by other more detailed strategies and action plans.

#### The actions for Derbyshire

All the actions in this strategy are important. However in each section we have highlighted a small number of developmental actions. These are new or relatively undeveloped initiatives, or where existing work needs a significant shift in direction or focus.

#### Measuring our progress

The actions we have identified are those where there are clear benefits from joint working across different agencies, and where it is possible to measure the progress made. We will monitor our progress against the indicators contained in the national outcomes frameworks. There are two overarching outcomes for Derbyshire:

- Increased healthy life expectancy
- Reduced differences in life expectancy and healthy life expectancy between communities

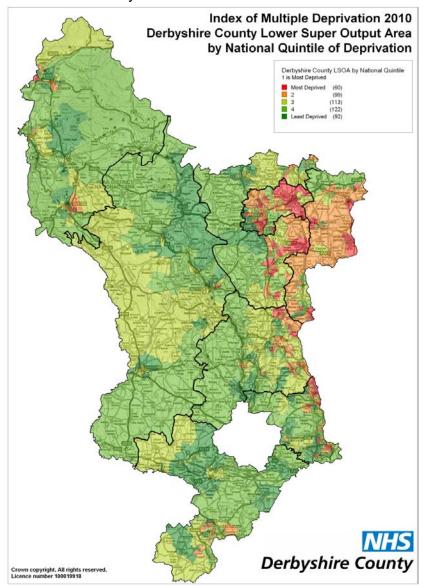
# 2. About Derbyshire

Overall people in Derbyshire enjoy good health and a good sense of wellbeing. However major inequalities exist across the county and those living in more deprived areas or in vulnerable households are often the worst affected by ill health.

Factors such as an increasing population in Derbyshire, improved life expectancy and improved mortality rates mean that more people are living longer. We must therefore plan to ensure our services can meet the needs of future generations.

#### Deprivation

Levels of deprivation in Derbyshire are generally lower than the England average. However this varies across the county with the greatest deprivation in the more densely populated eastern side of the county. The map below shows how deprivation varies across Derbyshire:



#### Population

There are about three-quarters of a million people living in Derbyshire and the county has a higher proportion of older people than England. For example 55% of people in Derbyshire are aged over 40 compared to 49% in England. The proportion of older people in Derbyshire is increasing at a faster rate than England. By 2033 28% of the population in Derbyshire will be aged over 65, 15% over 75 and 6% over 85.

#### Population density

The population is at its most dense along the eastern side of the county. Because services tend to be located in the more densely populated parts of the county this may lead to access problems for people living in in more rural communities.

#### **Births**

There were 8,404 live births in Derbyshire during 2010. Derbyshire has a significantly lower birth rate than England. The rate and number of births in Derbyshire has been increasing over the past few years, reflecting national trends.

#### Life expectancy

Life expectancy in Derbyshire is similar to the average for England. Life expectancy at birth is 82.5 years for women and 78.8 years for men. However there is considerable variation in life expectancy across the county with differences across the authority of 7.7 years for males between the best and worst of areas and just 5.6 years for females.

#### Mortality

Over the last 10 years, the rates of death from all causes and the rates of early death from cancer and heart disease and stroke have all improved and are close to the average for England. However, although overall death rates have fallen, deaths from diabetes remain higher than average in Derbyshire.

#### Social care needs

Currently in Derbyshire there are 25,000 people aged 64 and over with high or very high social care needs (about 30% of the older population). This figure could rise significantly with the increase in population.

# Health and wellbeing outcomes in Derbyshire: how do we compare with England overall?

Better than England		Worse than England	
average	Close to England average	average	
Children in poverty	Death rates from all causes	Adult obesity	
Physically active children	Early death rates from cancer, heart disease and stroke	Hospital stays from alcohol related harm	
Levels of obesity in children	Life expectancy	People with diabetes	
Teenage pregnancy	Excess winter deaths	Smoking in pregnancy	
Drug misuse	Educational achievement	Breastfeeding initiation	
Deprivation	Long-term unemployment	Hospital stays for self-harm	
Violent crime	Infant deaths		
Homelessness	Hip fracture		

Source: Health Profile for Derbyshire 2011 (to be updated)

#### **Summary of key issues for Derbyshire**

- Ageing population
- Wide variations in health status such as life expectancy
- Rural deprivation and related problems accessing high quality care
- Areas of urban deprivation (mainly to the north and east of the county)

More information about health and wellbeing in Derbyshire can be found in the Derbyshire Health Profile for 2012 included as an annex to this strategy and in the Derbyshire Joint Strategic Needs Assessment at the Derbyshire Observatory website: http://observatory.derbyshire.gov.uk/IAS/

# 3. Derbyshire's Priorities

The vision for Derbyshire is to reduce health inequalities and improve health and wellbeing across all stages of life by working in partnership with our communities.

#### Our ambition across all priority areas is to:

- Reduce health inequalities
- Strengthen investment in evidence-based prevention and early intervention
- Deliver high quality care that promotes privacy and dignity along with robust safeguarding processes

The five high-level priorities:				
Priority	This means	Derbyshire focus	So that	
1. Improve	We will intervene early	In Derbyshire we will focus	Every child is fit to learn	
health and	where our children and	on early intervention and	and able to fully develop	
wellbeing in	families need help and we	identification of vulnerable	their potential	
early years	will strengthen the support	children and families	communication,	
	provided during		language and literacy	
	pregnancy and the first		skills.	
2. Promote	five years of a child's life  We will develop high	In Dorbychiro we will focus	Individuals and	
healthy	quality services to prevent	In Derbyshire we will focus on preventing and	communities are	
lifestyles	and reduce harmful	reducing alcohol misuse,	equipped and	
illestyles	alcohol consumption,	obesity and physical	empowered to live	
	substance misuse,	inactivity	healthy lives.	
	obesity, physical	madavity	noditity iivos.	
	inactivity, smoking and			
	sexual ill-health.			
3. Improve	We will provide increased	In Derbyshire we will focus	People are helped to	
emotional and	access to mental health	on improving access to	achieve positive mental	
mental health	promotion, recovery and	evidence-based primary	health and can access	
	support services.	care psychological	mental health support	
		therapies and other local	services when and	
		services that support	where they need them	
		recovery from mental		
		health problems		
4. Promote	We will ensure services	In Derbyshire we will focus	People have access to	
independence	work in partnership with	on community based	care which is	
of people	individuals and their carers to achieve high	support, self-care and care	responsive, accessible and centred around their	
living with long term		close to home, including increased use of evidence-	unique needs	
conditions &	quality care	based telehealth and	unique necus	
their carers.		telecare		
5. Improve	We will ensure services	In Derbyshire we will focus	Older people are helped	
health and	work together to provide	on strengthening	to participate fully in	
wellbeing of	integrated support where	integrated working	community life and can	
older people	needed in order to	between health and social	choose to live in high	
	promote independence	care providers and	quality accommodation	
	into old age	housing-related support	appropriate to their	
		services	needs	

# 4. Health and wellbeing in early years

Improve health and wellbeing in early years. Every child fit to learn and able to fully develop their potential communication, language and literacy skills. In Derbyshire we will focus on early intervention and identification of vulnerable children and families (including children with disabilities)

#### Why this is important

By focussing on the first few years of a child's life – especially those who are most disadvantaged and vulnerable – we can ensure that children can be given the best possible start which will benefit them for the rest of their lives. For this reason one aim of this section of the strategy is to strengthen the support available during pregnancy and the first five years of a child's life. We also need to make sure children of all ages get the right support at the right time by ensuring we have effective mechanisms for identifying vulnerable children and families and intervening early. The actions in this section are complemented by actions included in the healthy lifestyle and mental health sections of this strategy which apply to children in all age groups.

Identifying the most vulnerable families and intervening early will promote children's social and emotional development, significantly improve their mental and physical health and reduce health inequalities. Children will also gain in later life from improved educational attainment and employment opportunities. Early supportive programmes are effective in reducing drug and alcohol misuse, teenage pregnancy, and child abuse. Parents and families also benefit – for example early intervention programmes are known to increase the numbers of parents participating in training or employment.

An important aspect of early development is literacy. Literacy is not just about being able to read - it is a broad term that encompasses all aspects of a person's cognitive and psychosocial skills. These skills are associated with being able to read, to learn well and to communicate effectively with others. Low literacy is associated with poorer physical and mental health outcomes and low achievement. Literacy is therefore closely linked to emotional and mental wellbeing and social inclusion. The benefits of literacy start at very young age and it is at this early stage that cognitive and social skills are developing.

#### What you said: consultation on the high-level priorities

Seventy-two percent of you said improving health and wellbeing in early years was a priority for Derbyshire and 91% agreed the focus should be on early intervention and identification of vulnerable children and families.

You feel the highest priority for action should be given to encouraging families to eat healthily and take part in physical activity. Providing support services to new parents came second followed by improving language, literacy and numeracy skills, and services to reduce the number of children placed on the "at risk" register.

#### Where are we now

- There are about 175,000 children aged 0-19 living in Derbyshire of which nearly 42,000 are aged under 5 (5.5% of the total population)
- Around 8,400 children are born each year in Derbyshire
- In Derbyshire the proportion of mothers who smoke during pregnancy (16.3%) is significantly worse than England (14.0%).
- Significantly fewer babies are breast fed in Derbyshire (42% of babies were totally or partially breast fed at 6-8 weeks) than the England average (46%).
- Breastfeeding initiation in Derbyshire (73%) is also poorer compared to the national figure (74%)
- In Derbyshire around 24,000 children live in poverty (17.8% of 0-15 years olds
- In Derbyshire 680 children entered into a child protection plan in 2009/10, 16.3% for the second or subsequent time. The rate of children entering a second or subsequent plan was higher than England (13.6%).
- Educational achievement varies across the county. The range of achievement of five or more GCSEs Grade A-C was 13.8-91.1% between best and worst wards
- Emotional disorders (including depression) affect around 3.7% (3,910) of children in Derbyshire

#### The challenge for Derbyshire

We recognise in Derbyshire that coordinated effort is needed to promote physical, mental and emotional wellbeing, help new families, maximise children's ability to achieve, and tackle the variation in educational achievement across the county.

The Derbyshire Children's Trust oversees the delivery of services to children and young people. It includes all providers working with children and young people in the public, voluntary, community and independent sector.

In Derbyshire we are committed to local implementation of the National Healthy Child Programme which coordinates services and support for children of all ages and is the responsibility of all agencies. A particular aspect of this work is Derbyshire's early intervention agenda. In early years settings this means providing support during pregnancy and the first five years of a child's life. The early intervention programme involves strengthening the relationship between maternity services and other agencies, expanding and strengthening the health visiting service (Health Visiting Implementation plan) and the on-going development of the Family Nurse Partnership.

The early intervention programme in Derbyshire includes a range of evidence-based programmes aimed at improving health in early years. These include breastfeeding support, the HENRY programme (health, exercise and early nutrition for pre-school children), reducing smoking in pregnancy, the childhood vaccination programme and the Healthy Start initiative. Other important initiatives are the provision of parenting and family support and a range of antenatal and postnatal initiatives to promote health and wellbeing.

Delivering this new model of support for families involves close collaboration with primary care, the voluntary and community sector, Children's Centres, Multi-Agency Teams, the Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service (CAMHS) and other local services.

#### We will tackle inequalities by focussing on:

- Communities in Derbyshire suffering from poor health
- Families on low incomes
- Vulnerable families

#### **Actions for Derbyshire**

#### **Developmental action:**

 Implement a coordinated partnership approach to improving cognitive, physical and emotional development in early years including early literacy, language and numeracy skills (e.g. by contributing to the Derbyshire Family Literacy Strategy, collaborative working with libraries, implementation of the physical development strategy)

#### **Underpinning actions:**

- Continue the roll out of the Health Visitor Implementation Plan and the Family Nurse Partnership, ensuring implementation of evidence-based programmes (such as parenting and family support programmes) are focussed on those who can benefit most
- Strengthen the delivery of evidence-base healthy lifestyles programmes in early years settings
- Expand the range of opportunities to promote wellbeing by further developing existing community resources/projects (e.g. Children's Centres, Forest Schools, Connecting Families)
- Strengthen the help and support available for children with behaviour problems by ensuring that all front-line staff have the right skills and services to work together to deliver appropriate interventions
- Ensure all services are appropriate for children with disabilities by implementing the Children's Trust disability action plan
- Identify children and young people requiring additional resource and deliver effective interventions at the earliest opportunity
- Ensure delivery of robust child protection arrangements

#### **Indicators**

The government is developing an outcomes framework for children to improve the health of children and young people; once this is published the relevant outcomes will be included here. The following are examples of relevant indicators from the other national outcomes frameworks:

- Reducing deaths in babies and young children
- Children in poverty
- School readiness
- Child development at 2-2.5 years
- Percentage of healthy weight in 4 and 5 year olds
- Breastfeeding initiation/ prevalence 6-8 weeks
- Incidence of low-birth weight of term babies
- Emotional wellbeing of looked after children
- Reducing the prevalence of smoking in pregnancy

# 5. Healthy Lifestyles

Promote healthy lifestyles by developing services to prevent and reduce harmful alcohol consumption, substance misuse, obesity, physical inactivity, smoking and sexual ill-health. In Derbyshire we will focus on preventing and reducing alcohol misuse, obesity and physical inactivity.

#### Why this is important

Derbyshire has higher than average levels of alcohol-related admissions particularly in under 18s and in the north of the county. Although levels of physical activity in adults and children are close to or better than the average for England, rates of adult obesity and people diagnosed with diabetes (which is linked to unhealthy lifestyles) are significantly worse.

Healthy eating and sensible drinking, together with physical activity, are the cornerstones of a healthy lifestyle and key factors in determining health in later life. Alcohol, obesity and physical inactivity are risk factors for cancer, hypertension, diabetes, dementia, CHD, stroke and other long term conditions.

A healthy lifestyle is also related to good mental health. For example poor mental health is linked to increased obesity and alcohol misuse. Physical activity is known to improve mental health and wellbeing.

Physical activity also reduces the risk of illnesses such as heart disease, stroke and diabetes and can help to prevent or tackle obesity.

A focus on reducing health inequalities is a crucial aspect of promoting healthy lifestyles. For example children living in areas of income deprivation are more likely to be obese; alcohol death rates are higher in more deprived areas.

#### What you said: consultation on the high-level priorities

Seventy-two percent of you said promoting healthy lifestyles was a priority for Derbyshire and 88% agreed the focus should be preventing and reducing alcohol misuse, obesity and physical inactivity.

You feel the highest priority for action should be given to developing services to support people to be physically active and maintain a healthy weight. Services to

reduce harmful alcohol consumption came second, followed by developing other lifestyle services targeting smoking, sexual ill health etc.

#### Where are we now

- An estimated 190,000 adults in Derbyshire are overweight or obese
- Levels of childhood obesity in Derbyshire are lower than in England but within Derbyshire there are areas with obesity rates higher than the national average. 9% of children starting primary school in Derbyshire are obese – however during primary school the prevalence of obesity in children increases to 18%.
- In Derbyshire only 12.0% of adults meet recommended levels of physical activity (moderate exercise at least five times a week). This is similar to England overall, but there is significant variation between districts (ranging from 9.0 % to 14.4%)
- Around 130,000 Derbyshire residents have an alcohol use disorder, including 112,000 who are hazardous or harmful drinkers
- There are around 13-14,000 alcohol related admissions per year in Derbyshire
- There are around 100 alcohol specific admissions for those aged under 18 every year (1.4 per 1000 population). This rate is significantly worse than the England average.

#### The Challenge for Derbyshire

In Derbyshire we recognise that initiatives addressing healthy lifestyles need to be relevant to the whole population, but with particular emphasis on helping more disadvantaged groups achieve a healthy lifestyle. The actions we take need to range from individual behaviour change approaches through to tackling the wider determinants of unhealthy lifestyles.

For example promoting access to affordable healthy food for people on low incomes will help people eat more healthily. Increasing access to green spaces – particularly in urban areas - is an effective means of promoting physical activity, improving mental health and reducing health inequalities.

Derbyshire's schools are key settings for providing health education and health promoting activities to children and young people. Work with families and parents is also important – parents need to be supported in understanding the healthy lifestyle needs of their children and how to support them in making healthy choices. For example initiatives to promote breastfeeding will help improve health and reduce childhood obesity.

A number of partnerships in Derbyshire have important roles to play in promoting healthy lifestyles. Local partnerships are ideally placed to work in the heart of their communities. Derbyshire Sport is a strategic partnership working to improve the lives of people in Derbyshire through sport and active recreation. The Derbyshire Drug and Alcohol Action Team works with all partners to develop a co-ordinated approach to prevention of alcohol misuse – through, for example, improved education, health promotion and training around early identification of people at risk.

The Derbyshire Healthy Lifestyle Hub is a partnership which provides long term support and increased access to opportunities to achieve and maintain a healthy lifestyle. The Hub includes eight local authorities, Derbyshire Community Health Services (DCHS) and other providers. The work of the Hub includes health referral programmes to help people with health conditions increase their physical activity and achieve a healthy weight. A related service, the Health Trainer programme, provides one-to-one help and support to vulnerable individuals. The Hub will incorporate the family weight management programme, currently in development to support children aged 5-15 and their families to lead healthier lifestyles. Services in Derbyshire are working in partnership to develop a new approach to promoting healthy lifestyles through the Making Every Contact Count (MECC) project. The aim is to ensure that all front-line staff have the knowledge and skills to deliver healthy lifestyle advice.

#### We will tackle inequalities by focussing on:

- Communities in Derbyshire suffering from poor health
- People on low incomes
- Vulnerable groups

#### **Actions for Derbyshire**

#### **Developmental actions:**

- Develop a coordinated partnership response to local delivery of the National Alcohol Strategy
- Support the development of the 'Making Every Contact Count' project across all partners

#### **Underpinning actions:**

 Develop local strategies and programmes to remove the barriers to healthy lifestyles such as poverty and environmental issues (e.g. healthy eating on a budget/cooking skills, urban greenspace initiatives, Forest Schools, transport initiatives to promote cycling, income maximisation)

- Promote a more coordinated approach to the provision of healthy lifestyle support by strengthening links and referral pathways between different settings and services (e.g. Health Referral scheme; referral to stop smoking and sexual health advice for alcohol misusers)
- Promote opportunities for people to take part in active recreation and sport, including opportunities for particular groups such as people with disabilities.
- Develop more healthy lifestyle initiatives specifically designed to suit the needs of particular groups such as older people, Black and Minority Ethnic groups, people with mental health problems, learning disabilities and challenging families
- Improve access to advice and support for young people identified with alcohol and substance misuse problems

#### **Indicators**

The following are examples of relevant indicators from the national outcomes frameworks:

- Life expectancy at 75
- Differences in life expectancy and health life expectancy between communities
- Prevalence of healthy weight in adults
- Rate of hospital admissions per 100,000 for alcohol-related harm
- Percentage of adults meeting recommended guidelines on physical activity

# 6. Mental Health and Wellbeing

Improve emotional and mental health and provide increased access to mental health support services. In Derbyshire we will focus on improving access to evidence-based primary care psychological therapies and other local services that support recovery from mental health problems.

#### Why this is important

In Derbyshire an estimated one in six adults will have a mental health problem at any one time. This equates to approximately 84,000 adults with a mental health problem in Derbyshire.

Good mental health and wellbeing is fundamental to ensuring that individuals, families and communities can flourish, lead fulfilling lives, contribute to society and achieve their potential.

Positive wellbeing is associated with healthier lifestyles, better physical health, improved recovery from illness, higher educational attainment, improved employment and earnings, better relationships, more social cohesion, and less crime.

Social connections and networks - feeling connected to others, feeling in control, feeling capable and having a sense of purpose – are also important

Material and economic circumstances of people's lives have a direct impact on their overall wellbeing. Mental health problems can increase in times of economic and employment uncertainty.

Mental health problems are associated with inequalities. People living in more deprived circumstances have an increased risk of mental illness. People with a serious mental illness die on average 25 years earlier than those without.

Mental health and wellbeing in childhood influences mental health across the life course – up to half of lifetime mental health problems start by the age of fourteen.

#### What you said: consultation on the high-level priorities

Sixty-seven percent of you said improving emotional and mental health was a priority for Derbyshire and 86% agreed the focus should be on improving access to

psychological therapies. You also said you wanted more emphasis on promoting recovery.

In terms of what actions should be taken you feel the most important is ensuring that services are available to all including vulnerable groups. Services to help people remain in or return to work came second followed by the development of mental wellbeing support services such as walking groups, adult learning, libraries and day services and the development of a wide range of psychological therapy services.

#### Where are we now

- There are approximately 84,000 adults with a mental health problem in Derbyshire.
- One in six adults will have a mental health problem at any one time
- Almost half of adults will experience at least one episode of depression during their lifetime
- 13–16% of older people in England have severe depression and up to 50% of older people in residential care
- One in ten children aged between 5 and 16 years has a mental health problem, and many continue to have mental health problems into adulthood.
- It is estimated that for every 1,000 adults in Derbyshire County about 125 will have a common mental health disorder (lower than the England average of 163/1,000). Emotional disorders (including depression) affect around 3.7% (3,910) of children in Derbyshire

#### The Challenge for Derbyshire

Derbyshire is committed to implementing the principles of the national mental health strategy – No Health without Mental Health – which aims to promote positive mental health and emphasises that mental health is everyone's business. Many things impact on mental health such as housing, employment, income, social cohesion, prompt access to treatment, and healthy lifestyles. All partners therefore have a crucial part to play to ensure that action to improve mental health and wellbeing takes place on a broad front – on a population-wide basis as well as aimed at supporting individuals.

Commissioning of services to support people with mental health problems is led by the NHS through the Clinical Commissioning Groups.

In Derbyshire we recognise that promoting good mental health and wellbeing is not just about delivering high quality care to those who need it. So all the actions we

propose in this strategy – for healthy lifestyles, children and young people, people with long term conditions and older people – will contribute to mental and emotional wellbeing.

One aspect of service provision that we plan to focus on in Derbyshire is strengthening psychological therapies services in primary care - at present these services are not available in some parts of Derbyshire. For this reason we are committed to ensuring equitable access to primary care psychological therapies. These are 'talking therapy' services delivered in primary care that are aimed at people with mild to moderate common mental health problems such as anxiety and depression. Such services improve quality of life by helping people with mental health problems develop understanding and learn new skills to manage their mental health. High quality service provision can lead to fewer people being admitted to hospital, fewer people visiting their GP, and fewer prescriptions for antidepressant medication.

However it is also important to recognise that psychological therapy and other mental health services can't be delivered in isolation. Effective collaboration between all agencies is vital to ensure a wide range of community resources are available to promote recovery. In addition more work is needed to raise awareness of mental health issues across all partners. In this way front-line staff will have the skills and knowledge to provide the right help and signpost people to mental health and other support services. These include education and employment support services, debt advice, housing advice, support groups, wellbeing services (e.g. leisure services; health promotion), befriending, rehabilitation programmes and services to promote good mental health.

#### We will tackle inequalities by focussing on:

- People on low incomes
- People from BME backgrounds
- People with substance misuse problems
- People with learning disabilities

#### **Actions for Derbyshire**

#### **Developmental actions:**

- Develop equitable primary care psychological therapy service provision across the county
- Develop effective pathways for people with mental health problems to access support services and community facilities aimed at promoting recovery

#### **Underpinning actions:**

- Promote mental health awareness raising/training across all partners in order to promote access to services and reduce stigma and discrimination. This training should reflect the particular needs of specific groups such as people with learning disabilities, speech, language and communications needs, people with dementia, Black and Minority Ethnic groups and lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT) groups
- Ensure access to a wide range of evidence-based psychological therapy services in Derbyshire based on population need
- Ensure mental health services combine access to employment support to help people remain in or return to work if unemployed
- Increase the range of opportunities for people with mental health problems
  to access support services and community facilities aimed at promoting
  recovery (such as education, financial/debt management support and
  advice, housing, befriending, leisure services, arts and cultural activities,
  library services, health promotion)
- Develop effective pathways to improve access to Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services aiming to improve the mental and emotional wellbeing of children and families
- Develop mechanisms to improve integration across adult and child mental health services ('Think Family' approach)

#### **Indicators**

The following are examples of relevant indicators from the national outcomes frameworks:

- Proportion of adults in contact with secondary mental health services who live independently with or without support
- Employment of people with mental-illness
- Self-reported wellbeing
- Patient experience of community mental health services
- Hospital admissions as a result of self-harm

# 7. Long term conditions and carers

Promote the independence of all people living with long term conditions and their carers. In Derbyshire we will focus on community based support, self-care and care close to home, including increased use of evidence-based telehealth and telecare\*

\*(Telehealth is electronic monitoring equipment that is installed in a patient's home to enable them or their carer to take a set of health measurements on a daily basis. Telecare equipment varies from a pendant alarm, to bed wetting sensors and falls detectors. The equipment is preset to summon help when it is activated)

#### Why this is important

There are more than 15 million people living with a long term condition in England. It is estimated that 180,000 people in Derbyshire have at least one long term condition. The number of people with long term conditions in Derbyshire will increase in future due to the ageing population and to unhealthy lifestyle choices.

A long-term condition is one which can't at present be cured but which can be helped by medication, by other support services and therapies, and by maintaining a healthy lifestyle. Examples of long-term conditions are diabetes, heart disease, dementia, mental health conditions, hypertension and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease.

Long term conditions can affect people of all ages but are more likely to occur in older age groups. The number of people living with more than one condition also increases with age. Some groups – such as people from ethnic minority groups - are at also at higher risk of developing some long term conditions such as diabetes.

People with long term conditions are two to three times more likely to experience mental health problems than the general population.

The needs of people caring for those with long term conditions are also important. Carers make a vital contribution by providing physical, practical and emotional support to people with long term conditions and helping the people they care for continue to live in the community.

#### What you said: consultation on the high-level priorities

Sixty-six percent of you said promoting the independence of all people living with long term conditions and their carers was a priority for Derbyshire and 77% agreed

the focus should be on community based support, self-care and care close to home, including increased use of evidence-based telehealth and telecare.

You feel the highest priority for action should be given to developing community support services. Services to promote self-management of long term conditions came second followed by services to reduce hospital admissions and allow early discharge.

#### Where are we now

- Nationally nearly one in three people have a long term condition. This figure rises to three out of every five people aged 60 or over.
- In Derbyshire rates of people with a limiting long-term illness are higher than the national average
- In Derbyshire there are around 37,000 people with diabetes, 9,400 with dementia and 30,000 with hypertension
- Long term conditions account for nearly 70% of the total health and social care spend in England.
- In Derbyshire 84% of patients with a long term condition report that they receive support to be independent. This is higher than the England average (81%) and a 15% increase from 2007/08
- There are an estimated 90,000 carers living in Derbyshire (about 12% of the Derbyshire population). Nearly 13% of carers in Derbyshire have reported they were not in good health.

#### The Challenge for Derbyshire

In Derbyshire we aim to deliver services in the most appropriate setting so we can provide integrated care that is community-based and personalised. Our focus is to encourage people with long term conditions to maintain their own health and lead independent lives. We are also committed to delivering high quality end of life care that is co-ordinated around the needs of the individual. Alongside this we aim to help carers take greater control over their own health and the health of others in their care. Particular attention needs paying to promoting access to support for people living in rural areas.

Much has already been achieved in Derbyshire. We have improved information and programmes to educate people about living with a long term condition. We have increased the number of people who have a care plan and have developed more effective care pathways. These actions help support people with multiple long term

conditions with complex health and social care needs and who are at high risk of hospital admission or deterioration in their health and wellbeing.

Delivering more services close to home can be helped in part by taking advantage of the possibilities opened up by new technologies such as telehealth and telecare. We therefore aim to explore how best to harness technology to support those who care for and those who live with long-term conditions.

Self-management is at the core of effective treatment for long-term conditions. However we recognise that mental health problems can reduce a person's ability to actively manage their own physical condition. For this reason developing effective management of mental health problems should be done alongside the management of physical health problems.

Care for many people with long-term conditions can be improved by a better focus on the person as a whole including integrating mental health support and by closer working between mental health specialists and other professionals.

#### We will tackle inequalities by focussing on:

- Communities in Derbyshire suffering from poor health
- Derbyshire's rural communities
- People with mental health problems

#### **Actions for Derbyshire**

#### **Developmental actions:**

- All partners (health, social, independent and third sector organisations) to develop and implement a strategic approach to the management of long term conditions including end of life care. This will include exploring more integrated models of working (including integration with mental health services) and a commitment to strengthening joint commissioning of services.
- Progress partnership working across health and social care to explore the most effective use of assistive technologies such as telehealth and telecare

#### **Underpinning actions:**

 Continue to develop information and support self-care training courses and programmes (such as the Living with Long Term Conditions

- Programme, Pulmonary rehabilitation, cardiac rehabilitation and diabetes education)
- Support arrangements that enable people to remain living independently in accommodation which is safe and suitable for their needs. (e.g. through home care, home maintenance or adaptation or supported move.)
- Ensure high quality care plans are in place to assist people in managing their condition and access appropriate advice and treatment in the right place and at the right time
- Provide people with long-term conditions with advice and interventions which support good mental health
- Promote the use of assistive technologies that are sensitive to the needs of the individual, with appropriate support, and where there is a good evidence-base
- Increase the availability and flexibility of services that are responsive to carers' needs and enable carers to take regular breaks from caring (e.g. short breaks, doing everyday activities such as going shopping, getting a good night's sleep)
- Strengthen the support available for helping with personal, social and health care (e.g. continence services)
- Increase carers' health and wellbeing by providing a range of services to prevent ill health and maintain physical, emotional, financial, and social wellbeing (e.g. befriending schemes)

#### **Indicators**

The following are examples of relevant indicators from the national outcomes frameworks:

- Health related quality of life for people with long term conditions
- Reducing time spent in hospital by people with long term conditions
- Enhancing quality of life for carers
- Emergency readmissions within 30 days of discharge
- The proportion of carers who report they have been included or consulted in discussions about the person they care
- Employment of people with long term conditions
- Prevalence of recorded diabetes
- Work sickness absence rate

# 8. Older people

Improve the health and wellbeing of older people and promote independence into old age. In Derbyshire we will focus on strengthening integrated working between health and social care providers and housing-related support services

#### Why this is important

The population of Derbyshire is increasing. Numbers of older people are projected to grow at a faster rate than the overall population. Increases in total life expectancy exceed the increases in healthy life expectancy.

As people get older they become increasingly vulnerable, are more at risk of social isolation, and are more likely to have complex health problems and high health and social care needs. For example older people are more at risk of having a fall. In Derbyshire around 30% of people aged over 65 and 50% of people aged over 80 have a fall each year. Older people are significantly more at risk of dying after a hip fracture.

Stroke is another common cause of poor health and mortality. Although people of any age could have a stroke, 50% of strokes occur in people aged over 75. Following a stroke a high proportion of people are left with considerable help and support needs.

People with dementia are also particularly vulnerable. Overall in Derbyshire about 5% of the population over 65 has dementia, and the risk of dementia increases markedly with age.

#### What you said: consultation on the high-level priorities

Sixty-eight percent of you said improving the health and wellbeing of older people and promoting independence into old age was a priority for Derbyshire and 88% agreed the focus should be on strengthening integrated working between health and social care providers and housing-related support services.

You feel the highest priority actions should be given to ensure that all care agencies provide services in partnership to improve the health and wellbeing of older people. Ensuring all care agencies provide services in partnership to maintain the independence of older people came second followed by providing integrated hospital and community services.

#### Where are we now

- About 18% of the population in Derbyshire is aged over 65. This is expected to increase to nearly 21% by 2025. Currently the proportion of older people in Derbyshire is higher than the England value of 16.5%.
- At present nearly 40,000 people aged over 65 in Derbyshire have moderate to very high social care needs. Nearly 18,000 older people in Derbyshire are in receipt of at least one service.
- A high proportion of those aged over 75 (34% of males and 61% of females) live alone. This represents over 32,000 at increased risk of social isolation within the county.
- More than 12,000 people aged over 65 are thought to have depression, including nearly 4,000 cases classed as severe.
- There are around 9,400 people with dementia in Derbyshire, it is estimated that this number will rise to 15,200 by 2025.
- Around 14,000 people in Derbyshire have had a stroke
- Each year more than 4,000 people in Derbyshire are admitted to hospital after a fall

#### The Challenge for Derbyshire

The challenge for Derbyshire is to understand and respond to the needs of our increasingly ageing population and improve our person-centred approach. This is particularly true for health and social care provision for people over the age of 85 who require additional support. We also need to ensure that carers' needs are met.

We are working to strengthen services that promote independence in order to reducing the need for hospital services and long-term care. Prevention and early intervention services (such as falls prevention and re-ablement) are at the forefront of service delivery in Derbyshire.

We also recognise the importance of housing in relation to the health and wellbeing of older people. Having secure and settled accommodation, with the right kind of support, can have a positive impact on people's health and wellbeing as well as their recovery. Lack of appropriate housing can impede access to treatment, recovery and social inclusion.

In Derbyshire we aim to improve the quality and range of housing available to older people, at the same time as improving access to support – such as repairs, adaptations and energy efficiency measures - that will enable older people to live safely in their homes. For example Derbyshire County Council is leading the development of Extra Care housing.

Coordinated planning across health, housing, social care and community services, including the voluntary and private sectors, will enable local partnerships to tackle these complex issues. Greater integration will improve the quality of care and ensure more efficient service delivery. It will also make the best use of limited resources.

#### We will tackle inequalities by focussing on:

- People with mental health problems
- Frail elderly and people in the 85+ age group
- People on low incomes
- · People who are socially isolated

#### **Actions for Derbyshire**

#### **Developmental actions:**

- Develop a coordinated partnership approach to commissioning older people's health, care and housing services
- Develop integrated working and agreed pathways for older and frail elderly people (including end of life care) which take the whole person into account

#### **Underpinning actions:**

- Increase awareness of housing and support options for older people
- Increase the range of more specialist types of accommodation for frailer older people and those with specific needs such as dementia (e.g. Specialist Community Care Centres and Extra Care housing)
- All partners ensure that their front-line staff take account of and respond to people's housing conditions when planning care and support
- Promote the lifetimes homes standard
- Strengthen partnership initiatives to reduce fuel poverty
- Enable access to low-level support services such as repair, maintenance and adaptation services that promote independent living (e.g. Handy Van and Trusted Trader schemes)
- Strengthen the provision of coordinated information, advice and advocacy services that promote health and wellbeing (e.g. Health and Wellbeing Zones, Befriending schemes)
- Ensure appropriate safeguarding arrangements are in place for all vulnerable adults
- Continue the implementation of the personalisation agenda

#### **Indicators**

The following are examples of relevant indicators from the national outcomes frameworks:

- Fuel poverty
- Health related quality of life for older people
- Healthy life expectancy
- Excess seasonal mortality
- Acute hospital admissions as a result of falls or falls injuries for over 65s
- Hip fracture in over 65s
- Dementia and its impacts
- Effectiveness of early diagnosis, intervention and reablement: avoiding hospital admissions
- Improving recovery from stroke
- Improving recovery from fragility fractures
- Admissions to residential homes per 1,000 population

# **Appendix 1**

# The Health and Well Being Board in Derbyshire

The Derbyshire Health and Wellbeing Board lead and advise on work to improve the health and wellbeing of the people of Derbyshire through the development of improved and integrated health and social care services.

The Board is led by Derbyshire County Council and was established in shadow form in 2011 as part of national health reforms. The shadow Board will take on a statutory role from April 2013.

The Board is a forum for key leaders across the health and care system to work together to improve the health and wellbeing of their local population and reduce health inequalities. Membership of the Derbyshire Health and Wellbeing Board includes:

- Derbyshire County Council
  - Children and Younger Adults
  - Adult Care
- District and Borough Local Authorities
- Clinical Commissioning Groups
- Public Health
- Local Involvement Network (LINk)/ HealthWatch

The Derbyshire Health and Wellbeing Board is committed to:

- Understanding the needs of our community and agreeing priorities
- Ensuring stronger democratic legitimacy and involvement
- Strengthening working relationships between all partners
- Encouraging commissioners to work in a more joined up way

The Health and Wellbeing Board has a responsibility to undertake a Joint Strategic Needs Assessment and use this in the development of a joint strategy for health care, social care and public health. The Board also has a duty to involve local people in developing this work.

The structure of the Derbyshire Health and Wellbeing Board and related organisations and groups is shown below: *(to be inserted)* 

# **Appendix 2 Derbyshire JSNA Health Profile 2012**