

ACTION PLAN PRODUCED IN RESPONSE TO THE INDEPENDENT REVIEW INTO THE CARE AND TREATMENT OF PATIENT R

STEIS No: 2011/7259

Incident Date: 17 April 2011

RECOMMENDATION	Actions Required	Progress	Responsibility	Timescale	Outcomes
5. The Trust should ensure that any requests for a specific medication are fully explored with the service user and the possibility of	 Quality Practice Alert to be shared with medical staff emphasizing the need to explore addiction issues 		Steve Morgan, Director of Patient Safety	May 2015	That prescribing clinicians will have an increased awareness of dependency issues that may be otherwise masked.
dependency is considered and discussed.	 Drug and Therapeutic Committee asked to consider including this issue in its training programmes 		Lee Knowles, Chief Pharmacist	June 2015	The training programmes are amended to reflect the need for staff to explore dependency issues.
	 Risk assessment guidance to be checked/amended to ensure it requires staff to consider dependency issues and the affect on their mental health and safety 		Jane Boland, Project Lead	June 2015	Risk processes will include dependency on illicit substances and alcohol and where necessary be incorporated into risk management plan
	• To be included in the new		Steve Morgan,	May 2015	The training programmes

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	Dual Diagnosis Training sessions to be delivered directly into Clinical Areas by Dual Diagnosis Specialist Practitioners.		Director of Patient Safety		are amended to reflect the need for staff to explore dependency issues.
	 Addictions services will be actively involved in considering their knowledge and accountability re patients with a mental illness and a dual diagnosis and how they relate with adult mental health services 		Dr Al-abasi, Clinical Lead	September 2015	Addictions services have clear guidance that directs how staff relate to adult services when they are working with a patient with a dual diagnosis
6. The Trust should ensure that, when a service user appears to have a particularly peripatetic lifestyle, contact should be made with appropriate mental health trusts to	 Risk assessment guidance to be checked/amended to ensure it considers the need for staff to liaise with other agencies to gain or share information about involvement in care 	 Updates/amend ments to be provided when required. 	Jane Boland, Project Lead	June 2015	Risk assessment guidance will include direction for staff regarding the importance of liaising with other services
share information.	• A quality Practice Alert will be sent to all Clinical Teams emphasizing the importance of sharing information with neighbouring organisations where appropriate.		Director of Patient Safety	June 2015	Staff are aware of the need to consider the stability of a persons living accommodation and potential involvement of other services

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	Quality Practice Alerts will be audited on a bi- annual basis to ensure that they are an effective way of disseminating information and changing practice. This issue will be used as one of the QPAs that are audited as part of a percentage process		Director of Patient Safety	October 2015	The efficacy of using Quality Practice Alerts will be reviewed and amendments made where coverage or effectiveness are challenged

Signed: S Morgan

Date: 08/05/15