

TRAFFORD COUNCIL

Report to: Health and Well Being Board
Date: 1st October 2013
Report for: Decision
Report of: Director for Public Health

Report Title

Local Authority Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (PNA) Trafford Consultation Plan - 2013

Summary

The Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (PNA) is a legal document which details services which would be desirable and necessary in a locality based on the local health needs and population demographics.

The Health and Social Care Act 2012 transferred the responsibility for developing and updating the PNAs to the LA Health and Wellbeing Boards (HWBs).

The NHS (Pharmaceutical Services and Local Pharmaceutical Services) Regulations 2013 set out the legislative basis for developing and updating PNAs and can be found at: <http://www.dh.gov.uk/health/2013/02/pharmaceutical-services-regulations/>.

There is a legal requirement for the HWB boards to publish the PNA before 31 March 2015. PNAs will inform commissioning decisions by local authorities (public health services from community pharmacies) and by NHS England and clinical commissioning groups (CCGs).

Recommendation

1. That the Health and Wellbeing Board note and agree the consultation plan.

Contact person for access to background papers and further information:

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