

Kent & Medway NHS & Social Care Partnership Trust - Quality Committee (QC)

Minutes of the Meeting held at 13:00 – 16:00 Tuesday, 17 November 2020 in Boardroom A, Farm Villa, Hermitage Lane, Maidstone, Kent, ME16 9PH

Members

			Non-Executive Director (Chair of Committee)
			Non-Executive Director (Deputy-Chair)
			Non-Executive Director
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			Executive Director of Nursing, AHPs and Quality
			Executive Medical Director
			Chief Operating Officer
			Deputy Director of Quality and Safety
			Strategic Lead for Allied Health Professions
			Chief Pharmacist
			Director of Therapies

In attendance

		Minutes
		Graduate Trainee (Min QC/20-21/119 – Readmissions Deep Dive only)
		Head of Research and Innovation (Min QC/20-21/122 – Research and Innovation Strategy only)
		Non-Executive Director (observing)

Apologies


[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	Lead Psychologist and Care Group Director (now replaced as member by Ben Smith, Director of Therapies)
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QC/20-21/117	<p>Quality Impact Assessment (QIA) Group - Terms of Reference</p> <p>The Committee received the Terms of Reference for the Quality Impact Assessment Group which had been subject to the Group's annual review.</p> <p>Further amendments were noted and clarification given.</p> <p>The Committee APPROVED the Terms of Reference for the QIA Group subject to the amendments discussed and sight of the updated version with the January meeting papers.</p> <p>Action – Amended QIA Terms of Reference to be added to January Committee papers for information.</p>	
QC/20-21/118	<p>High profile Serious Incidents Report – action plan progress report</p> <p>The Committee received the report.</p> <p>Three of the reported cases were brought to the Committee's attention.</p> <p>2.1 Domestic homicide dating back to 2015. The independent review had been completed but not yet published. The Trust had completed all actions required but the action relating to clozapine was being checked for continued compliance.</p> <p>2.5 Community death – suicide in 2018. The RCA and all five actions have been completed and closed.</p> <p>2.8 Suspected suicide of twins, December 2019, high profile media case. All actions associated with this SI have been completed with 3 still to be reviewed at the care group SI Action Closure Governance Meeting before final closure approval.</p> <p>The Committee noted that a number of the serious incidents related to the Management of Clozapine and the following actions had been taken to improve prescribing and monitoring:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An updated clozapine policy with clearer guidance around the running of the clozapine clinics in the CMHTs and monitoring particularly when patients stop smoking, develop constipation, recurrent chest infections and severe pneumonia. • Ensuring patients have 6 monthly reviews by a clinician which takes into account therapeutic response and recognised side-effects as well as identifying possible relapse indicators • Clozapine management standards are now included in the CMHT CliQ checks with compliance being monitored and reported • New clozapine e-learning course for Doctors/ Medical Prescribers at KMPT • Training of nursing staff who run the clozapine clinics by the pharmacy team • Training and guidance has been provided to staff in all the acute hospitals to ensure patients on clozapine are monitored safely. It is important all patients prescribed clozapine that are admitted to the Acute Trust should be and remain open to the liaison psychiatry team for ongoing monitoring for the duration of the admission. • Dr Qazi has been working with Kent LMC (Local Medical Committee) and the G.Ps have agreed to support us with physical investigations for our patients. If we fill out the forms and ask patients to go to their surgeries the G.Ps will have blood tests and ECGs carried out at the surgeries. Jag Bahia (Chief Pharmacist) has been working with the Acute Trusts so all our 	

	<p>clinicians can access blood tests results from all the pathology labs in Kent. Registration forms have been sent to all Consultants so they can be registered with the pathology labs separately. This will avoid unnecessary delays in receiving results</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • KMPT will be participating in the next national quality improvement audit on clozapine management in January 2021 with the Prescribing Observatory for Mental Health. Each participating Trust will receive a customised audit report that allows its performance against the practice standards to be compared with the total national sample and each other participating organisation <p>The Committee NOTED the report.</p>	
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Signed (Chair)

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