

Transformation Implementation Group

Meeting held on 9 May 2018, 10.00 – 12. 30

Venue: Project Echo, McCune Building, Shore Road, Belfast

Members in Attendance

Shane Devlin
Martin Dillon
Anne Kilgallen
Liam McIvor
Valerie Watts
Michael Bloomfield
Tony Stevens
Alan Stout
Mark Taylor
Sean Holland

Apologies

Richard Pengelly
Michael McBride
Hugh McCaughey
Charlotte McArdle
Deborah McNeilly
Jackie Johnston
David Gordon

Also In Attendance

Sharon Gallagher (chair)
Sloan Harper
Roisin Coulter
Gearoid Cassidy
Rosemary Dawson

Presentation – no presentation took place.

1. Notes and Actions

Notes from the previous meeting were agreed.

2. Programme Update

Action points from the last meeting are in hand.

Transformation Funding

Sharon Gallagher provided a verbal update on Transformation Funding, referencing the high-level announcement that had been made earlier that day,

She acknowledged the work that has been undertaken so far by colleagues across all HSC organisations, and said that further work was required on the detail of some of the proposals regarding the reform of Hospital and Community Services.

Led by Sean Holland there was a discussion around proposals for investment in the domiciliary care workforce and the need to ensure that there were the appropriate

arrangements in place to ensure any investment fully met the policy intent. Members agreed that proposals would have to be proportionate to the overall size of the transformation fund.

(AP1: Roisin Coulter to further consider the proposal for stabilisation of domiciliary care workforce to provide assurance on governance arrangements.)

Members discussed the importance of having a common approach to recruitment in relation to projects to be funded from the Transformation Fund. Sharon advised that Andrew Dawson is liaising with Trust HR Directors on this issue, and would be invited to the next TIG to discuss.

(AP2: Andrew Dawson to attend next TIG meeting to discuss a regional approach to recruitment).

3. Integrated Care Partnerships (ICPs)

Valerie Watts and Sloan Harper provided an overview of the activity undertaken by ICPs and their role in the wider transformation agenda. Members agreed that ICPs could potentially play an important role in the transformation of HSC services, but that strong leadership was required to clearly articulate what that role is, and to demonstrate the value that they bring.

Members commented that ICPs are potentially a useful locus for Trusts and local providers to collaborate on delivering better care for patients and service users, but that deeper engagement with Trusts is required for this potential to be realised. It was recognised that the voluntary nature of the ICPs could make it difficult to engage beyond their traditional boundaries, but that strong, competitive leadership among ICPs could help to drive this engagement.

(AP3: Valerie Watts to develop proposals on how to strengthen ICP leadership, to drive engagement with Trusts)

Sharon Gallagher advised that provision for funding for backfill and infrastructure had been made for 18/19.

It was agreed that the ICP paper would be circulated to those members not present for comment.

(AP4: Members not present to provide comments on ICP paper by correspondence).

4. eHealth Review and Implementation

Sean Donaghy provided members with an overview of the eHealth Implementation Plan 17/18 Progress Report, highlighting progress against the strategic objectives of the Plan, and summarising the activity planned for the upcoming year. He advised that the report was due to be considered by the eHealth Strategic Programme Management board on Thursday 10 May.

Members noted the progress, and commented that the eHealth agenda is one of the most exciting enablers for Transformation.

5. Service Reconfiguration

Alastair Campbell provided an update on progress on a range of Services Reconfiguration areas:

- PAR on the Breast Assessment review is due to commence soon and should be available to return to TIG in mid-June
- Elective Care Centres - consultation may not be required due to work already undertaken. An update will be provided at a future TIG meeting
- Unscheduled Care – the population needs assessment is progressing well and is due to report to TIG in June. In this initial stage, Dr Stewart is gathering and reviewing the extant evidence, statistics and guidelines. Subsequent to presenting his report to TIG, the next stage will see him engaging widely with colleagues across the system.
- Stroke Services – aim to bring proposal to TIG in June to allow consultation to launch in summer 2018.

6. Communications Update

Sharon Gallagher provided a short communications update, highlighting the announcement that has been made re: Transformation Funding, and the intention to launch the HSC Workforce Strategy by the end of the week.

Professor Rafa Bengoa has been confirmed to participate in the 2-day event to mark the NHS 70th Anniversary in June. The itinerary for the event is progressing.

Michael Bloomfield asked for more detail as soon as possible on the itinerary and the members' participation.

7. AOB

Sharon Gallagher advised that Mark Taylor will be based in Castle Buildings one day a week, beginning today.

Decisions

None.

Actions

AP1: To further consider the proposal for stabilisation of domiciliary care workforce to provide assurance on governance arrangements (**Roisin Coulter**)

AP2: Andrew Dawson to attend next TIG meeting to discuss a regional approach to recruitment (**Transformation Team**)

AP3: To develop proposals on how to strengthen ICP leadership, to drive engagement with Trusts (**Valerie Watts**)

AP4: To provide comments on the ICP paper by correspondence. (**Members not present**)