

Public Health Agreement

for the

Shared Care for Patients with a Drug Misuse Problem in Primary Care

1STApril 2023 to 31st March 2024

BETWEEN Surrey County Council AND the General Practice

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Specification for the Provision of

Shared Care for Patients with a Drug Misuse Problem

1.0 Introduction

- 1.1 All practices are expected to provide essential and those additional services they are contracted to provide to all their patients. This specification outlines the more specialised services to be provided.
- 1.2 This specification outlines the more specialised care being offered above that normally provided through essential and additional services that General Medical Services are contracted to provide. No part of this specification by commission, omission or implication defines or redefines essential or additional services.
- 1.3 In the delivery of any services comm



is to ensure uncomplicated communication links between the stakeholders involved in each client's care.

2.5 In the delivery of any services commissioned on behalf of the Council, Providers must demonstrate awareness and be responsive to the accessibility and needs of underserved groups in attempting to access services.



3.0 Aims and Objectives

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4.4 Screening and Assessment

- 4.4.5 The key worker will establish the suitability of the referred client for the shared care scheme, based on the client's desire to meet the requirements of Shared Care community prescribing and other relevant social and environmental factors. Where necessary the Key worker will advise on alternative services for individuals who are not eligible for the Shared Care scheme.
- 4.4.6 A care plan for each individual must be agreed between the key worker, the GP and the client. This must set out the recovery objectives for the client and the services to be included in the care plan in order to meet those objectives. The main elements of this must be set out in an Agreement signed by the client, GP and the key worker and normally be reviewed on a rolling 3 month basis or earlier. In addition



Inform the Key worker if the individual requests additional prescriptions and jointly review the care plan if required.

Record brief details of each individual's attendance, health and social circumstances and participate in three monthly clinical review and auditⁱ.

5.3 The Pharmacist will provide dispensing services (including supervised consumption in a designated area) as required and:

Ensure that the prescription is not supplied if the individual is apparently intoxicated by drugs or alcohol.

Ensure that medication dispensed for supervised consumption is swallowed. Inform the Key worker or GP of missed doses and withhold dispensing if three or more days doses are missed.

Report the following to the GP or key worker – frequent missed doses or avoidance of supervised consumption, unacceptable behaviour, intoxication with drugs or alcohol, deterioration in health or other health concerns.

Contact the Key worker with any problems concerning the prescription.

6.0 Training and Accreditation

6.1 Those GPs who have previously provided services similar to this service and who satisfy at appraisal and revalidation that they have such continuing medical experience, training and



Appendix 1

Payment Structure

Retainer Fee – Single amount payable when providing patient support (Quarterly Claim) £261.48p

Maintenance Fee (per patient, per quarter) £ 91.52p