Commissioning
Growing from within Public Health

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What is public health?

‘Science and art of improving the population’s health through the organised efforts of society’

The Main Determinants of Health
Local authorities developed from the need for public health intervention....

With the ‘the spectre of cholera stalking the slums of the great towns’ the most important measures to improve public health were ‘drainage, removal of all refuse from habitations, streets and roads and the improvements of the supplies of water’

The Sanitary Conditions of the Labouring Population of Great Britain’ 1842, Edwin Chadwick
The vision of public health in local government

Our vision for local government leadership of public health

Building on local government’s long and proud history of public health leadership, our vision is for local authorities to use their new responsibilities and resources to put health and wellbeing at the heart of everything they do, thereby helping people to lead healthier lives, both mentally and physically

DH Guidance on Public Health in Local Government (Dec 2011 p3)
PH Structure LBTH

Director of Public Health

Team 1
- Maternity, early years, children
  - Cross cutting: Nutrition, Physical activity, Healthy communities
  - Relationship role D and R

Team 2
- Adolescents and young adults
  - Cross cutting: Tobacco, Drugs, Alcohol, Sexual Health
  - Relationship role CLC

Team 3
- Middle age and older people
  - Cross cutting: Long term conditions, Cancer, Mental Health
  - Relationship role ESCW and CCG

- Expert advisor role on Health
- Cross cutting: JSNA, Healthy Lives Strategy
- Commissioning: overall coordination
- Assurance of PH system
- Relationship role: Members, all Directorates, SPP
- Training role: supervisions of SpRs and development of PH practitioner Programme

Public Health
- 42 staff
- ESCW directorate

Locations:
- 4th Floor Mulberry
- Albert Jacob House
- Community Hubs
- CCG

Each team works as relevant around domains of:
- Wider determinants
- Health improvement
- Health protection
- Health and social care
Commissioning Growing

- Four Main Stages
  - Making the case
  - Developing a specification
  - Tender process
  - Review and evaluation
Public Health Outcomes Framework

OUTCOMES

Vision: To improve and protect the nation's health and wellbeing, and improve the health of the poorest fastest

Outcome 1: Increased healthy life expectancy
Taking account of the health quality as well as the length of life
(Note: This measure uses a self-reported health assessment, applied to life expectancy.)

Outcome 2: Reduced differences in life expectancy and healthy life expectancy between communities
Through greater improvements in more disadvantaged communities

(Note: These two measures would work as a package covering both morbidity and mortality, addressing within-area differences and between area differences)

DOMAINS

DOMAIN 1:
Improving the wider determinants of health
Objective: Improvements against wider factors that affect health and wellbeing, and health inequalities
Indicators Indicators Indicators Across the life course

DOMAIN 2:
Health improvement
Objective: People are helped to live healthy lifestyles, make healthy choices and reduce health inequalities
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DOMAIN 3:
Health protection
Objective: The population's health is protected from major incidents and other threats, while reducing health inequalities
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DOMAIN 4:
Healthcare public health and preventing premature mortality
Objective: Reduced numbers of people living with preventable ill health and people dying prematurely, while reducing the gap between communities
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Developing a specification

- Budget
- Be clear on what is expected
- Differentiating between ‘Outcomes’ and ‘Outputs’
- Timescale
- Evaluating delivery and impact
Tender Process and Commissioning in Local Authority

• Challenges
  • Structures
  • Financial constraints

• Benefits
  • Link with other departments
  • Opens doors
Review and Evaluation

- Monitoring
- Reporting
- Evaluating
- Learning
- Sharing