



Brighton and Hove

## Big Health Check

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Brighton & Hove  
City Council

### What is it?

Annual Report on health services

What we have done over the last year

What we are going to do



**Report**

### Why is it important?

We need to make sure people have the right health care

Check our plans are on track

### How we asked people about health

- Learning Disability Partnership Board
- Meetings with family carers
- Speakout Big meeting
- Questionnaires

66 carers and 72 people with a learning disability told us what they thought about health services



## Target 1:

**Making sure people are not living in NHS settings if they do not need to be there**



- **What we agreed to do:**
  - Improve information of people placed in NHS settings.
  - Develop local services for people who challenge services
  - Establish local network of providers to support best practice in reducing challenging behaviours.
- **What we have done**
  - Additional review of people's needs to further improve discharge planning. Agreement set up between PCT and the council for them to take on the assessments and reviews on the PCT's behalf
  - Select provider list to provide challenging behaviour services set up who will create local network.

## Target 2

- **Do people with learning disabilities get equal treatment in health services?**



- **What we agreed to do:**

- Increase access to mainstream health promotion.
- improve how we involve people with learning disabilities and their families in developing and planning services.
- Expand healthy eating choices and cookery skills project.

- **What we have done**

- Healthy eating choices and cookery skills project established with Food Partnership.
- Sussex wide cervical cancer screening advice for GP practices.
- Oral Health Promotion team provide advice in residential & supported living services.
- Thumbs Up campaign includes dentists and opticians.
- New contract to involve people in planning of services
- Needs assessment of special care dentistry January 2011.



## Target 3

### Keeping People Safe when they use health services



#### What we agreed to do:

- Continue with Mental Capacity Act and Deprivation of Liberty training and make sure more people receive training.
- Make sure learning and improvements are across all health services.

#### What we have done

- Six Lives recommendations to keep people safe taken forward by NHS providers.
- Learning and complaints feeding into quality review meetings.
- Brighton and Sussex University Hospital to review policies and training on Mental Capacity Act and Safeguarding.



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## Target 4 Valuing People Now

Have we got the right services locally for people with learning disabilities?



### What we agreed to do:

- To have completed Joint Strategic Needs Assessment
- To have improved health transition pathway
- To have developed a local autism plan.



### What we have done

- Joint Strategic Needs Assessment complete.
- Autism plan is being written.
- Health Action plan for young people coming through transitions developed at age 17
- Health pathway for young people developed

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- **What we plan to do next year:**
- Complete the Autism plan (February 2012)
- Review arrangements for the review and monitoring of specialist LD placements
- Use the feedback from people with learning disabilities and carers to make more improvements in health services
- Work with commissioners and GPs to make sure learning disabilities and autism is included in mainstream commissioning (particularly older people)
- Further work with social care providers to increase take up of Health Action Plans and preparation for people going into hospital
- Continue work with Reducing Reoffending Board. This is to raise awareness and improve communication with people with Learning Disabilities and people with Autistic Spectrum Disorder
- Sign up to the National Charter for Inclusion and Challenging Behaviour Foundation Charter

