Joint Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Suicide Prevention Three Year Action Plan

2014-2017

The joint Cambridgeshire and Peterborough suicide prevention three year action plan accompanies the Joint Suicide Prevention Strategy 2014-2017. The action plan is a working document and will be adjusted and updated as work proceeds to implement the recommendations.

Implementation of the strategy according to the action plan will be the responsibility of partner organisations as described in the suicide prevention strategy. At present there is a Peterborough suicide prevention implementation group operational for this purpose. An equivalent Cambridgeshire suicide implementation group has yet to be formed and it is recommended that a joint Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Suicide Prevention implementation group is formed from September 2014 to implement the action plan proposed in this document. The joint implementation group will be accountable for delivering the strategy and will report progress on an annual basis to the various partner organisations; the Peterborough Adult Mental Health Stakeholder Group, Public Health Board and Health and Wellbeing Board in Peterborough, the Health Committee in Cambridgeshire and CMET of the CCG.

It is envisaged that the implementation group will use the action plan to identify priority areas to work with initially and over the three year time period. Task and finish sub-groups will be formed to carry out specific areas of work, which may be location based and these sub-groups will report to the implementation group until tasks are completed. The joint suicide prevention strategy document provides detail for each recommendation and should be used for cross-reference when implementing the action plan.

Funding to support recommendations and actions will depend upon on-going support from the partner organisations but in the first instance (year 1), some funding has been secured through the East of England Strategic Clinical Network Pathfinder Programme to support some of the recommendations listed below. In addition, Cambridgeshire County Council is supporting training in mental health awareness raising for organisations within Cambridgeshire. Peterborough City Council is supporting community initiatives to increase awareness of mental health issues and prevent early stages of mental illness that could lead to risk of suicide.

Recommendation 1.2 – Develop suicide prevention resources for professionals and agencies in contact with vulnerable groups	 Collect and collate available resources and a directory of services Work with identified organisations to provide resources Offer resources as part of suicide prevention training 	appropriate within resources On-going training supported by Samaritans August 2014 scoping of requirements through SCN Pathfinder group Pool and design resources Sept 2014 – April 2015 Liaise with priority organisations to disseminate resources On-going dissemination of resources after April 2015 Survey to establish effectiveness Sept 2016	50% of priority organisations receive resources Number of resources disseminated and list of organisations receiving resources Evaluation of effectiveness of resources – one off survey	SCN Pathfinder Implementation Group – task and finish group To be continued by the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough suicide prevention implementation group
Recommendation 1.3 – Awareness-raising campaigns and the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Pledge to reduce suicide	 Engage with and consult service users on how to reduce risk in high risk and hard to reach groups – developing appropriate resources and advocacy services ensuring appropriateness to different vulnerable groups. Resources will need to be translated if they are to reach out to the Polish and Lithuanian population at higher risk of suicide. Contact organisations and make use of public events and festivals to promote the pledge and raise awareness of suicide prevention - use of other public health market 	August 2014 Design and implementation of Peterborough and Cambridgeshire pledge September 2014- Launch of pledge September 2014 – May 2015 Co-ordinate roll-out of awareness raising at events and within organisations September 10 th 2014,15,16 – ensure awareness raising	Posters disseminated 1% of people in Peterborough sign pledge 5% or organisations in Peterborough sign pledge Number of posters disseminated Number of individuals signing pledge Number of organisations signing pledge	SCN Pathfinder Implementation Group – task and finish group to lead work Include: Service Users Network Peterborough city council Work to continue through the joint suicide prevention

	 stall/stand to raise awareness of issues – leaflets could be put on the stall regarding suicide prevention. Identify localities for specific awareness raising Website to host awareness raising materials - learn from Grassroots and Papyrus websites and use of social media Explore use of social media in awareness raising Include suicide prevention in other mental health awareness campaigns Include awareness raising and suicide prevention material in bulletins that are sent out to GPs Link with local media partners and 'time to change' campaigns 	in local media for suicide prevention day	Survey to assess awareness in the community	implementation group
Recommendation 1.4 – Resources to aid self-help in those at risk of suicide	 Continue roll-out of Crisis card and App Work with professionals to develop care plans for people known by mental health organisations to ensure up-to-date self-help resources and contact information is included Resources for self-help for children and young people, including promotion of Centre 33 Directory of services should be developed to aid self-help Include student welfare at Cambridge University and Anglia Ruskin 	November 2014 onwards – continuing roll-out of CRISIS cards and App to service users through partner organisation and promotional events. November 2014 onwards – development of resource cards to be used by professionals and agencies to promote self-help, build	Number of Crisis cards disseminated and CRISIS App downloaded. Number of posters to aid self-help displayed Number of self-help resource cards disseminated through partner agencies	SUN and SCN Pathfinder group to lead task and finish group Support from suicide prevention implementation group Include Cambridge University and Anglia Ruskin University Welfare Officers in developing and promoting material

Recommendation 1.5 –	 University to promote resources for self-help – see Worcester model of care for preventing suicide in students Ensure suicide prevention initiatives 	resilience and enhance follow-up care. January 2015– resource cards available for dissemination to agencies September 2014-January	Directory of services developed and used by partner organisations Organisations signing	All Partners
Aspire to develop	work with Crisis Concordat work and	2015 – Ensure Crisis	the Crisis Concordat	Groundwork by
integrated, appropriate	include pathways of care for people	Concordat compliance –	declaration	Crisis Concordat
and responsive services	pre crisis, during crisis and post crisis	sub group to work with		team with Police,
for those at risk of suicide	 Map pathways and ensure all partners are aware of contacts and resources for self-help as well as 	Crisis Concordat team to develop pathways of care	Survey of service users on integrated pathways for suicide prevention.	CPFT, CCG and public health support.
	 pathways and how they operate Encourage professionals and organisations to work together in identifying gaps and opportunities in pathways to prevent suicide – particularly at points where services meet when a person is transferred from one service to another Support the police in responding to people with mental health problems by promoting pathways enabling contact and rapid access to other agencies that are able to provide advice and support 	Service mapping by the end of March 2015 June 2015 - Report and recommendations to improve pathways of care June 2015 onwards – establish links with partner organisations to ensure flow-through of information between agencies and thresholds are established. September 2015 onwards: Discomination of	Measure the success of joined up pathways – transfer of information between agencies, use of care plans, distribution and use of self-help resources Audit of pathways used by each service – police, ambulance, A&E, liaison psychiatry	input during 2014- 2015 from the SCN Pathfinder Implementation Group Ensure partnership support from Crisis Concordat group Task and finish group to achieve goals
	 Develop a cultural view that it should be everybody's expectation that people receive appropriate and timely services Refer to Crisis concordat recommendations on partnership 	Dissemination of information and good working practice to front- line staff – internal promotion and training by each partner organisation		

Recommendation 1.6 - Ensure Crisi	is Concordat work aligns	On-going from November		
Reassess pathways for with this pr	iority area. Pathways of assessed include those pre	2014 - Work in partnership with Crisis Concordat group	Report to suicide prevention group	Crisis concordat sub- group with CPFT as main lead with
health services at risk of suicidecrisis, durin• Assess path information in the patie	ng crisis and post crisis. Nways to ensure that n is shared across agencies ent's best interest t of pathways for people	and CPFT to identify gaps or weaknesses and areas for improving the care of people Pre, during and post crisis including upon	A&E audit data Care plans in place for people discharged from services	support from suicide prevention implementation group
 who are discare and A8 review of information plan, includ information Explore mo and joined-for people p Engage with the strength 	scharged from psychiatric &E care/liaison psychiatry care plans and n contained within care ling consent to share n between agencies dels for strong community up support at locality level	discharge from psychiatric care. January 2015 – decide on whether suicide prevention audit of A&E is a priority for 2015 or later task and finish group will need to be established if it is a priority liaise with A&E depts. to conduct suicide prevention audit	Resources and support offered to those in community settings who do not meet the threshold for secondary mental health services (assessed by survey). Endorsement for ongoing support to people with mental health issues through the forthcoming 5 year	

	 Police section 136 and the use of places of safety Encourage development of pathways that are comprehensive and organised around the patient – particularly where organisations meet during transition points – acute sector transition into the community, for example Assess the single point of access (ARC) and identify gaps around risk identification and pathways used by GPs and ARC staff. Training to GPs, ARC and CRISIS resolution team on pathways and risk identification Engage with Rethink Carers group – for carers of people with mental health illnesses Suicide prevention audit of Accident and Emergency Departments Link up suicide prevention strategic group to influence the development of the 5 year mental health strategy to ensure ongoing support for people with mental health issues and for those people in the community who do not meet the threshold for secondary mental health services 	November 2014 onwards - Ensure the strategic group links with the CCG and Local authorities in influencing the development of the 5 year mental health strategy as this develops		
Recommendation 1.7 - Improve pathways and	 Liaise with NHS England and Public Health England to work with 	January 2015 – Decide whether this is a priority	Reduction in suicides in people in custody –	Suggested lead organisations:
support for people taken	probation, prison and police staff to	area	baseline 2009-2011	

into quatodu at rial: of	understand the severalize with	Ongoing from 2015 2017	Doport op pothusous stal	CDET police
into custody at risk of	understand the screening risk	Ongoing from 2015 -2017	Report on pathways and	CPFT, police,
suicide and for people	assessment procedure at court and		support for prisoners	probation,
newly released from	upon reception of prisoners and		and people taken into	Samaritans and
custody.	people taken into custody to include		custody.	custody staff as
	risk of suicide/self-harm.			members of the
	 Liaise with prison managers to 		Survey to show use of	suicide prevention
	promote the use of prison listeners.		Samaritans in custody	implementation
	Work with police partners to assess		suites	group to develop
	pathways of care for people in police			task and finish group
	custody and in prisons at risk of		Numbers of police	
	suicide		custody and prison staff	NHS England to lead
	• Broaden and promote access to the		trained	on suicide prevention
	Samaritans in custody suites and in			initiatives in prisons
	courts by raising awareness and			with support from
	supporting partnerships, learning			the suicide
	from good practice			prevention
	 Promote access to support from drug 			implementation
	and alcohol services for people in			group
	custody with mental health and			5 1
	drug/alcohol problems. Raise			Engagement with
	awareness and promote partnership			Public Health
	working			England for support
	0			
	 Suicide prevention training of custody 			
	and court/probation staff and aspire			
	to train prison listeners			
	Assess discharge pathways for people			
	who have been in custody, including			
	a review of care plans for people with			
	mental health problems. Recognise			
	the need to promote joined-up			
	services with an understanding of the			
	roles and responsibilities of other			
	organsiations			

Priority 2 - Tailor approache Recommendation 2.1 Work in partnership with CPFT to assess pathways of care for children (10- 24 year olds) and adults who self-harm	 Build on the work done to establish forensic services in Peterborough (ONE service). Assess links with partner organisations and discharge pathways es to improve mental health in specific groups Results from suicide prevention audit at Accident and emergency departments Monitor admissions to the Accident and Emergency departments for selfharm to assess any impact on service developments. Directory of services to signpost and share at the point of contact (through liaison psychiatry). Review the use of follow-up care plans for people discharged from services Assess plans for people who selfharm if mental health services are not involved Review good practice in resources to help people who selfharm or have a history of self-harm, for example; 'Harmless' 	November 2014 onwards – task and finish group linking with pathway design for suicide prevention and Emotional well-being and mental health group for children and young people. January 2015 – decide whether A&E audit should be prioritised	Report on pathways available to children and adults who self- harm Including recommendations for improvements Admission rates for self –harm reported to suicide prevention group Trends in admission rates recorded	CPFT lead (to be agreed) Input from CCG and voluntary organisations Liaise with Accident and Emergency staff
Recommendation 2.2	 <u>http://www.harmless.org.uk</u> A national organisation based in Nottingham Raise awareness and campaigning 	January 2015 onwards	Data on self-harm in	CCG, local authority
Work with partners who are developing the 'Emotional wellbeing and mental health strategy	 around self-harm provide access to self-help resources that focus on building resilience in young people 	Workshops and events to be scoped for awareness raising around self-harm	children	children and family services, Public Health advice and support from suicide

for children and young	• raise awareness and develop	and support to the Bouncal	Training delivered for	provention
for children and young people	 raise awareness and develop resources aimed at preventing bullying in schools and colleges assess pathways for support for children who are at risk of self-harm, particularly in vulnerable groups of children and young people – youth offenders, children in care, children under the care of people with mental health problems assess pathways for teenagers and young adults who have attended A&E due to self-harm, particularly upon discharge Support and promote the Bounce! project in Peterborough – working with families through workshops to encourage health and wellbeing including mental wellbeing Provide support and ensure links are made to the proposed public mental health strategy for Cambridgeshire 	and support to the Bounce! Project in Peterborough	Training delivered for emotional wellbeing support of children Partnership working to deliver resources and awareness raising – Number of workshops and events run and feedback obtained Achieve zero suicides in children	prevention implementation group
Recommendation 2.3	Prevention interventions to promote good	January 2015 – decide	Survey of community	Suicide Prevention
Promote early	mental health and avoid decline towards	whether this is a priority	liaison team staff and	implementation
interventions to aid	suicidal tendencies.		health professionals to	group to lead - task
prevention of mental	Review access to support in the	If priority confirmed:	assess dissemination of	and finish group with
health problems that	community before crisis situations arise.	workshop with	advice	established
could lead to suicide	 Work with communities and community liaison teams to raise awareness of sources of help, for example, debt management, relationship counselling, 	 service users Communication and resources for community liaison 		Links to PCC and CCC

Recommendation 2.4 Promote training in mental health awareness, particularly with professional groups such as GPs to recognise mental health issues and risk of suicide	 housing organisations parent/children centres Information to health professionals including GPs and health visitors to promote advice services Engage with service users and public to understand gaps in service provision and focus efforts on improving the system to support individuals where appropriate Review the potential to provide a tangible presence of a mental health drop-in facility in Peterborough city centre Explore the Worcester model of care to reduce suicide and promote mental health in students See recommendation 1.1 as this is a subset of 'suicide prevention training' Training for GPs to include awareness around risk assessment for mental health issues by assessing patient histories, particularly around a past history of self-harm 	teams and health professionals March –Sept 2015 Scope business proposal for mental health drop-in facility in Peterborough city centre Training for professionals including GPs included in training resources available from September 2014	Number of people trained in Mental Health Awareness and suicide prevention At least 100 people provided with Mental Health Awareness and suicide prevention training Number of GPs trained - 4 per LCG	Suicide Prevention Training task and finish group
Priority 3 – Reduce access t	o the means of suicide			
Recommendation 3.1 – In line with regulations, ensure the removal of potential ligature points – particularly in places of custody and in-patient settings	 CPFT audit of ligature points and other suicide risks in inpatient settings and residential care settings in line with regulations Audit of ligature points in places of custody 	On a yearly basis	Audit of potential ligature points is conducted annually in inpatient wards and places of custody	CPFT lead for inpatient audit Police lead for audit of police custody suites

Recommendation 3.2 – Reduce the risk of suicide by jumping from high buildings accessible by the public including multi-storey car- parks	 Share information on identifying potential ligature points between agencies (CPFT, Coroners, Police and Prisons) Extend training provided by Samaritans Risk assessments of car parks – work with agencies that own car parks Work with coroners to fully endorse the erection of barriers as a mechanism to restrict the means to suicide Posters displayed in car parks and shopping centres to aid self-help 	August 2014 onwards – work with the support of partners in the suicide prevention implementation group - coroner, police and PCC to assess risk and promote the use of barriers in Peterborough car parks Sept 2014 onwards Advocate for construction of barriers at car parks where there is a risk of suicide	Potential ligature points removed or made safe Number of staff trained in suicide prevention Training of car park and shopping centre staff in suicide prevention Achieve zero suicides at car parks in Cambridge and Peterborough Barriers to be erected at multi-storey car parks with suicide risk	NHS England lead for audit in prisons Joint suicide prevention Implementation group to lead. Task and finish group for Peterborough and Cambridge with support from local authority, Coroner, police and Samaritans
Recommendation 3.3 – Reduce the risk of suicide on railway lines in Cambridgeshire and Peterborough	 Training available to rail staff Review of availability of information to aid self-help – Samaritans' posters or others Assessment of suicide prevention initiatives by British Transport Police 	January 2015 Decide whether this is a priority	Training of rail staff in suicide prevention Posters available to aid self-help in railway locations Achieve zero suicides on railway lines	Joint suicide prevention Implementation group to lead. Task and finish group with lead from Samaritans and British Transport Police
Recommendation 3.4 – Work with Medicines Management team at the CCG to ensure safe prescribing of some toxic drugs	 Work with the CCG medicines management team chief pharmacist to ensure that there is a focus on suicide prevention as part of implementation of forthcoming NICE guidance – quality standard on safe prescribing. Further consideration 	January 2015 – Decide timescale for this recommendation and whether it is a priority for 2015. If a workstream is established, connect with chief pharmacist at CCG to	Prescribing data to reflect safe prescribing guidance	Suicide Prevention Implementation Group to join with Sati Ubhi (Chief pharmacist at the CCG)

Recommendation 3.5 - Whenever possible, medical professionals should be reinforcing safety plans for individuals with mental health problems	 needs to be given to the prescribing of some toxic drugs, where safer alternative medicines are available. (Hawton et al 2010) Promotion of suicide prevention through pharmacies and with pharmacists is recommended to raise awareness of suicide risk due to some forms of prescription medication. Education and training for health professionals including General Practice staff on use of personal safety plans for patients with mental health problems. This includes plans for those who have never been in secondary care services. Dialogue between health professionals (GPs in particular) and patients about eliminating access to the means of suicide with reference to the individual's safety plan. This should include exploring and adopting best models for reducing hanging in the community. 	ensure safe prescribing by pharmacists and training of GPs to include safe prescribing Include an evaluation of the evidence to support alternative prescription drugs that may reduce suicidal ideation Education and training to be included in wider training programme – see 1.1 and 2.4 Aspire to train General Practice staff from January 2015 onwards March 2015 Disseminate information about safety plans to GP networks – link with CCG to achieve this	All GP practices in Cambridgeshire to be offered general training over a 3 year period Target of 50% uptake over 3 years At least 4 GPs per LCG to receive bespoke training in suicide prevention and use of safety plans with the expectation they attempt to disseminate the learning throughout their LCG Education of GPs through CCG GP network – information disseminated	Suicide Prevention Implementation Group to work with CCG GP leads and mental health commissioners to disseminate educational material on ensuring safety plans for people with mental health problems. Advice from Sohrab Panday
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Recommendation 4.1 -	nformation and support to those bereaved or a	-	Holp is at hand looflate	loint suiside
Ensure bereavement	Ensure availability of 'Help is at hand booklet	January 2015, January	Help is at hand leaflets	Joint suicide
	' for those bereaved as a result of suicide (GP	2016, January 2017– check	are available to police,	prevention
information and access to	surgeries, coroners offices, police and funeral	availability of 'help is at	coroners, funeral	Implementation
support is available to	directors).	hand' leaflets and list of	directors and GP	group to lead
those bereaved by suicide	. Information should be available to signpost bereaved people to organisations best able to	organisations to distribute leaflets.	practices	

	 help them: CRUSE – a charity dealing with bereavement in general – supported by the CCG Survivors of bereavement by suicide Compassionate Friends – a charity dedicated to helping families of children who have died Link with other East of England suicide prevention groups to develop a self-help group or network for people bereaved by suicide. Bereavement services offered suicide prevention training Suicide prevention training used as a platform to disseminate resources on bereavement services Review support available to families and carers of people known to mental health services who have died by suicide Review support for carers who are bereaved Review resources available to young people affected by suicide – social media and websites 		Establishment of a self- help group or network Number of people trained from bereavement services	Sub-group to act as a task and finish group for this purpose
	dia in delivering sensitive approaches to suicide		Soncitive and	loint cuicido
Recommendation 5.1 –	Liaise with local media to encourage	January 2015 – May 2015	Sensitive and	Joint suicide
Encourage appropriate and sensitive reporting of	reference to and use of guidelines for the reporting of suicide	Review and update	responsible reporting of suicide by local media	prevention

suicide	Ensure the involvement of Comms teams in LAs and CCG	situation with media reporting. March 2015 onwards – continue to connect with media editors to ensure task is achieved. Review task in January 2017	based on Samaritans guidelines Media reports collated for evaluation report	Implementation group to lead Sub – group or individual task
	h, data collection and monitoring	1	I	
Recommendation 6.1	Form sub-group to ensure data collection and	2014-2017 On-going	Reduction in suicides	Joint suicide
Collect detailed suicide	audit	quarterly collection of data	year on year	prevention
data on a quarterly basis	Quarterly collection of data	and full audit on a yearly	Public Health Indicator	Implementation
from Cambridgeshire and	Audit on a yearly basis to report changes to	basis	4.10 – Baseline period =	group to lead
Peterborough coroners	suicide numbers, methods, demographics,		2009-2011	Sub-group
and carry out an annual	risk factors.	February 2016 and 2017 -	Achieve 10% reduction	Public health data
audit of local suicides	Report on suicide rates in relation to public	Annual report/update to	in suicide rate for 2014-	analysts to lead
	health outcome:	be written by public health	2016	Coroners to supply
	'Reduce the rate of suicide in the	and presented to partner	Suicide statistics on	data
	population'	oganistations	three year rolling basis	_
				Use information
	Encourage data gathering and consent to			obtained from the
	collect and share data – self harm in A&E			newly created
	Departments. Audit of self-harm data if			'mental health
	available to identify those at risk			information network'
				to understand local
				issues
Recommendation 6.2	Ensure membership of implementation	On-going sharing of	Implementation group	Public health to lead,
Disseminate current	groups by all partners with correspondence	information with partner	meeting minutes and	collate and ensure
evidence on suicide	list kept up to date for sharing resources	organisations	email records	dissemination of
prevention to all partner				evidence as part of
organisations	Agenda item for suicide prevention			role in chairing
	implementation group			strategic group

Recommendation 6.3 Coroners should notify the Suicide Prevention Strategic Group about inquest evidence that suggests patterns and suicide trends and evidence for service development to prevent future suicides	Ongoing updates to the suicide prevention strategic group by the coroners as required	Annual report to include coroners recommendations to the strategic group	Data is sent on a quarterly basis to public health lead analyst in Cambridgeshire	Coroners to lead – liaising with the Suicide Prevention Strategic Group
Recommendation 6.4 Evaluate and report on the suicide prevention implementation plan	Surveys to evaluate effectiveness of interventions such as training, dissemination of resources, use of suicide prevention pathways, access to support, use of careplans. Survey of GPs (awareness and use of careplans, resources for self-help, partnership working) Survey of mental health professionals and other professionals involved in crisis care and follow up – to assess pathway design, gaps in crisis care provision and improvements to crisis care. Use of care plans and resources to aid self-help. Assessment of partnership working Survey of people who have received training in SP. Assess effectiveness and usefulness of training Survey of service users – awareness of resources/website. Use of careplans. Gaps in service provision. Use of services and improvements Evaluation of suicide audit data – changes to suicide methods or risk of suicide. Changes to rates of suicide	Annual report to include annual evaluation of implementation plan Autumn 2015 – design of surveys to be used for evaluation Surveys to be used on an annual basis where appropriate (GPs and health/other professionals). Otherwise surveys to be used as agreed and depending on completion of actions/plans	Collation and analysis of survey data Analysis of audit data Collation and analysis of other data sources and 'soft' data collected by each sub-group as described above	Public Health to lead Evaluation sub-group similar to data group

Collation of soft data and evidence relating to		
each recommendation		

This is a live action plan.

The suicide prevention strategy will not operate in isolation, but will support and complement other relevant strategies including:

- The Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Joint Commissioning Strategy for Adult Mental Health Services 2013-16⁴
- The Cambridgeshire Emotional well-being and mental health strategy for children and young people 2014-2016⁵
- The Cambridgeshire Public Mental Health Strategy, which will be developed during 2014/15
- The Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Clinical Commissioning Group 5 year Mental Health Strategy, which will be developed in 2014/15