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WESTERN ISLES HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE PARTNERSHIP

Delayed Discharge Action Plan

Report by Chief Officer, Health and Social Care

PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. To provide an update on the implementation of the Delayed Discharge Action Plan.

COMPETENCE

2. The financial implications for implementing the Plan are addressed through the appropriate financial governance arrangements for the relevant service areas.
3. Clinical and Professional leads have ownership of the Plan and are leading or directing the actions detailed in the Plan.
4. Workforce implications are either contained within current working/contractual arrangements or will be subject to consultation in line with the appropriate policies.
5. Delayed Discharge presents and is impacted by strategic and operational risks. Risk management matters are subject to scrutiny through the established practices of the Integration Joint Board and parent organisations.

SUMMARY

6. Appendix 1 details the actions being progressed to address the factors contributing to delayed discharges and to improve the outcomes of those being delayed in acute settings when medically fit for discharge.
7. The main challenge being encountered is the pace of change required to address the actions. Officers leading on the Plan are revising the target dates to be realistic but challenging in order to maintain momentum.
8. The complex factors contributing to delayed discharges require short, medium and longer term actions to improve personal outcomes for patients and improve the flow within health and social care services. Progress with the Action Plan is reported each month to the Integrated Corporate Management Team.

RECOMMENDATIONS

9. It is recommended that the Integration Joint Board notes the content and progress of the Delayed Discharge Action Plan.

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