

Have your say

Question 1

The Scottish Government would like to make health and social care services better. We would do this first for older people and then improve services for all adults. Do you think this is a good thing and can you tell us why?

It is a good thing overall - but I wonder if it could be made clearer why older people were selected as in my experience mental health services are the 'poor relation'.

Question 2

Have we thought about all the things we need to put the money together for adult health and social care services? Do you have anything you would like to add or change?

Yes - fine for strategic changes but it will be more difficult for this to filter down for a CPIX

Question 3

Councils and Health Boards will need to work together to make things better. We call this outcomes. This is different to how they work. Do you think what we want to do is a good way to make the change?

Yes!

Question 4

Should Health Boards and Councils both agree on how they will make things better for adult health and social care?

absolutely but of course the detail will be harder to implement.

Question 5

If health and social care services have to report to Ministers and Council leaders, is there the right balance of local and national responsibility?

Yes.

Question 6

Should it be possible to create a new Partnership that covers more than one Council area? For example, a Lothian Regional Partnership?

Yes

Question 7

Do you agree that it should be senior officials from Health Boards, Councils, elected Council members, professionals (such as doctors) and people from the voluntary sector that form the committee for the local Partnerships?

Yes - but what is the position for service users and carers to influence change

Question 8

Do you think the new plan will mean changes can take place quickly if local services are not working properly? What could we do to help?

Not really - could slow it down if partners need to agree - what about short term focused groups eg 90 days.

Question 9

Do you think the new Partnerships should be able to include other areas of health and social care, if they want to?

Yes

Question 10

If the money is put together, do you think our proposals will allow money to be spent better for the patient or service user?

Yes will reduce duplication, delays and will improve targeting esp if service users have a voice

Question 11

Do you have experience of how easy or difficult it is to access services across both health and social care systems? If you have, would you like to tell us?

Yes - not enough knowledge about what is available. referral process slow

Question 12

Should Ministers say in law the parts of the separate health and social care budgets that should be in the joined up budget? Would this allow the outcomes to be met locally?

Yes - it would reduce time spent on negotiation and improve clarity

Question 13

Do you think we have given the senior officer the right amount of say in how the money is spent? Do you think it will be difficult for one person to be in control of all this money?

Impossible without input from stakeholders

Question 14

Have the proposals given the senior officer enough authority and responsibility to take control of this money?

not sure -

Question 15

Should the Scottish Government tell Partnerships how to plan for local services, or should this be left to local areas to decide?

left to local areas to respond to local needs quickly.

Question 16

We think that local professionals, including General Practitioners, should be asked to help plan local services. Is this a strong suggestion, or should it be stronger?

Should be stronger - in my experience GPs are reluctant to participate

Question 17

What practical help should we offer to help health and social care staff get involved with planning services?

second a member of staff or have someone with dedicated time for this - wait happen as a matter of course

Question 18

Should we use groups of doctor's surgeries to organise the local planning of services? If not, how could this be done better?

This is one idea but needs other stakeholders involved.

Question 19

Should the partnerships talk to people in their communities? How might this be done?

Yes absolutely - through focus groups and trying to reach the hard to reach - rd sector and community's officers experienced in this

Question 20

Do you think we should say how many people need to be involved in the planning of local service? For example, a percentage of the local population?

No - this would be hard to achieve - should be as many as possible