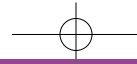


Sexual Health Promotion Team Activity Report 2007/8

Promotions
Training
Community/User Involvement





The Sexual Health Promotion Team co-ordinate a range of projects on behalf of the Hull and East Riding Sexual and Reproductive Healthcare Partnership under the following headings:

- Promotions
- Community/User Involvement
- Training

The following report provides a brief overview of the work undertaken by the team during the financial year 2007/8.

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Promotions

The Promotion Strategy guides the work undertaken by the Promotion Group to promote the Hull and East Riding Sexual and Reproductive Healthcare Partnership to the public and practitioners across Kingston upon Hull and the East Riding of Yorkshire. The Strategy responds to the National Strategy for Sexual Health and HIV 2001, primarily via the National Teenage Pregnancy Strategy and Choosing Health.

The Promotion Group facilitates the design, maintenance, implementation and evaluation of a programme of marketing initiatives and campaigns to promote sexual and reproductive health, the Partnership and services across the district.

This report on the work of the Promotion Group aims to highlight activity undertaken during the last year 2007/8, via the 2007/08 Action Plan.

Promotions

Funding

The following is a breakdown of funding made available for the Financial Year 2007/08 following bids made to the Hull and East Riding Teenage Pregnancy Local Implementation Grant (LIG).

	Hull (£)	East Riding (£)	Total (£)
Hardwear Campaign	1,000		1,000
Sex Factor Campaign	2,000	2,000	4,000
Safe & Sound Campaign	15,450	15,450	30,900
LARC campaign	2,000		2,000
Market Research	3,250	3,250	6,500
Total	£23,700	£20,700	£44,400

In addition to the above funding, during 2007/08, £15K was made available within the Sexual Health service to continue some marketing and campaign work previously funded by Teenage Pregnancy monies.

The 15K was allocated to the following initiatives:

- Quarter Page adverts in new Prevue cinema Magazine – including December issue (World Aids Day advert), Jan/February and March/April 08 editions
- Woman 2 Woman leaflet
- Pens detailing contact number and website
- Fridge magnets – contact number and website
- Fraser Guidelines
- Mystery Shopper Bookmarks

- STI credit cards
- EYMS bus advertising – internal panels
- Conifer House posters and credit cards
- Promotions Catalogue
- Hepatitis B leaflets and Posters
- Patient Information Folders
- BMI Index Chart for Family Planning clinics
- Gonorrhoea/Chlamydia Test leaflet
- Promotional lip balm and badges with contact number of website

Promotions

Evaluation

The main platform of evaluation for marketing and campaign work is street-based market research, carried out every other year.

A sample size of five hundred respondents were surveyed in six sampling sites, to achieve two hundred and fifty interviews in Hull and fifty in each of the other five locations in the East Riding of Yorkshire. It was agreed that the sample be biased towards the younger age groups (due to teenage pregnancy funding), and that the sample be relative to gender.

The aim of the survey is to establish awareness of specific local initiatives and services. Consumer preferences are also surveyed relative to sources of

information, service provision, service location and service scheduling. Patronage of local media is also surveyed. Findings are compared with those of previous years. Because this is undertaken every other year, this information gives us retrospective feedback on the previous years advertising.

Promotions

The current market research survey was undertaken in January 2008. This was later than normal but was scheduled in order to incorporate a repeat of the Chlamydia survey undertaken in May 2007 to obtain baseline data on awareness of the Chlamydia Test and the CASPHER team. This baseline survey was undertaken in line with the main survey and data was gathered in the same locations across Hull and the East Riding. Evaluation is indicated under the main campaign headings, but other results can be found under "Market Research" at the end of the Promotions section of this report.

Promotions



Hardwear Campaign

The Hardwear campaign has been redesigned to include two new designs. These new postcards take the place of the original credit card that advertises the young people's service on the first floor at Conifer House. Text has been updated to raise awareness of where young men in particular can obtain free condoms in Hull and the East Riding, and the new designs will include STI messages

Hardwear Campaign Evaluation

The 2005 survey indicated that the original Hardwear image of the "naked man" had a 14% awareness amongst respondents. The 2008 street-based market research indicates that awareness has increased overall to 41%, (29% and 12% for the two new designs)



Promotions

The Sex Factor

Following the success of our Sex Factor campaign last year, this was again aired on Viking FM during November/December 2007.

The campaign re-ran the five different sexual health storylines where each Sex Factor "contestant" represented a sexually transmitted infection, with "Chlamydia" emerging as the Sex Factor winner. The campaign ran for four weeks between 7.00 am - 11.00 pm Monday-Friday, involving 100 features evenly rotated.

Campaign Delivery – Over the campaign period 100 commercials were heard by 319,363 people on average 6.43 times each

NHS Choices also requested use of this campaign to promote their local Choices Humber pilot www.nhs.uk/humber

Promotions



Safe & Sound Campaign

The "Safe & Sound" campaign is a partnership between the Hull & East Riding Sexual and Reproductive Healthcare Partnership, Hull City Council, East Riding of Yorkshire Council and Viking 96.9 FM. It consists of an ongoing programme of sexual health Roadshows targeting Year 9 and 10 secondary school pupils in Hull and the East Riding. The show is regularly reviewed and revised. It aims to enforce messages relating to self esteem, life planning, respect and responsibility. The roadshows last approximately one hour, and messages are given via audience participation in games and scripted dialogue with the presenters.

This year, the Roadshow is again visiting 10 secondary schools in Hull and 10 in the East Riding. It is estimated that young people participating number approximately 6,250-10,000. All are given information cards detailing local and national contact numbers, and pens detailing the Hull & East Riding Sexual and Reproductive Healthcare Partnership's website. Local contacts and the importance of family planning clinics are emphasised by the Presenters.

Promotions

Safe and Sound Evaluation

Feedback questionnaires are distributed at performances, and responses are collected by Viking FM and forwarded to the project lead in the sexual healthcare partnership. Over 700 questionnaires are received from pupils every year, which ensures that the messages are being understood, and also give us valuable information on how to improve the roadshow.

World Aids Day

The Promotion Group continues to support World Aids Day on 1 December each year. This financial year, an advertisement was placed in the new "Prevue" Cinema magazine, to raise awareness of the candle-lit vigil. See also "HIV Prevention work" in this report.



Promotions

Promotional Materials

A range of promotional materials were purchased this year, which advertise contact number and website for the sexual health service.

These include eco-friendly pens, and heart-shaped fridge magnets. Our most popular "freebie" however, has been our "This Ain't Contraception" fingers crossed logo lip balm.

These appeal to both males and females and detail the Conifer House contact number and website. This full range continues to be useful to sexual health staff to promote awareness and as a talking point at initial contact.

Posters, leaflets, displayboards, and pens also continue to be made available for events throughout the year



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Chlamydia Campaign

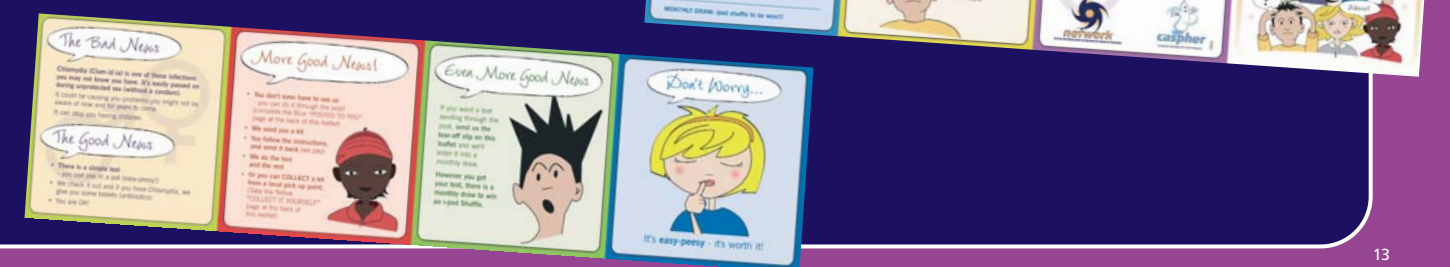
An extensive multi-media marketing campaign was developed with the CASPHER team in May 2007 in order to raise awareness of the team and also to improve the number of screening tests undertaken to comply with national performance indicators.

The Campaign included:

- Base-line street-based market research in order to determine the level of awareness of the team (logo) and the test. This will then be incorporated into the bi-annual market research undertaken by the Promotions Group
- External bus advertisement
- Viking FM "Shhhh" campaign with awareness commercials and a web-based competition to apply for a postal kit.

A monthly draw offered a prize of an i-pod as an added incentive.

- Street teams who raise awareness in the same locations as the market research
- A new leaflet which explained the self-test – the "Easy-Peesy" leaflet
- A new credit card for the team
- A new screening test insert leaflet which was more user-friendly



Promotions



Chlamydia Campaign Evaluation

The time of printing this report, preliminary market research survey results were forthcoming for the Chlamydia Campaign. Of the 500 people surveyed in Hull and the East Riding, 13% had awareness of the radio advert which had been aired in May and October. 16% were aware of the procedures for testing, and 15% for treatment. 22% recognised the CASPHER logo. 26% were aware of the campaign card. 60% had awareness of the Chlamydia external bus advertisement.

As the campaign has been running for less than one year, these results are excellent.

Promotions

Bus Advertising

The internal panels commissioned during 2006/7 were continued for 2007/8. These advertised the Partnerships services, detailing the Conifer House telephone number and website

Bus Advertising Evaluation

42% of those surveyed in January 2008 recalled this advertisement

Long Acting Reversible Contraception (LARC)

In accordance with NICE guidance 30, following the introduction of this credit card in the previous financial year, the image has been redesigned to include an image of an older woman, in order to be more representative of our target population for long acting reversible contraception. This will be distributed in the new financial year to a wide range of venues.

This year, internal bus advertising on 30 Stagecoach buses, due to commence March 08, features the new LARC (Long Acting Reversible Contraception) campaign.



Promotions

Promotions Catalogue

The second edition of our A4 sized three page catalogue was printed in January 2008 is currently being widely disseminated in Hull and the East Riding. This includes three new images developed during 2007 – the Chlamydia Screening leaflet, Man-2-Man leaflet and the HIV “Supporting You” booklet. Stocks of publicity materials, including those featured in this report, are held with the Resources Centre at Victoria House

Copies of promotional materials discussed in this report can be obtained from Eric Morris in the Resource Centre at Victoria House - eric.morris@hullpct.nhs.uk



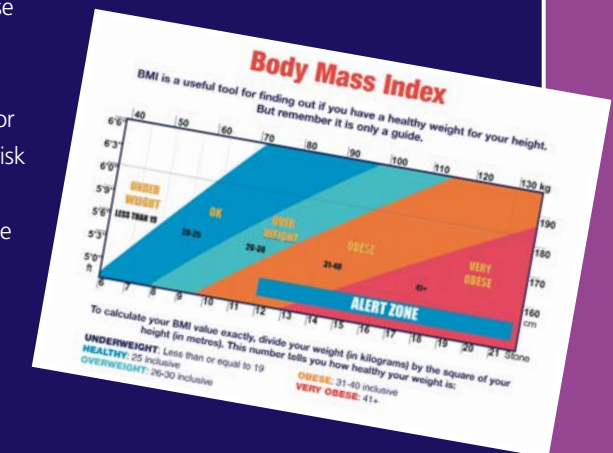
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Gonorrhoea/Chlamydia Test Leaflet

Working with the Genitourinary Medicine service located in Conifer House, Castle Hill Hospital, Bridlington Hospital and Goole Health Centre, a new patient information leaflet was developed which explains the combined test for gonorrhoea and Chlamydia. This has now been disseminated to the above clinics.

Bmi Index

Following concerns that the number of women seen in family planning clinics who are obese is increasing, with the result that some combined oral contraceptives are less effective for those women, a BMI index was developed to display in each clinic room in the Partnership. This will act as a prompt for clinicians to make clients aware of the risk that extra weight can have on the effectiveness of their contraception. The charts also promote LARC



Promotions

Partnership Work:

- Citizenlink**
 This year, we have worked with the East Riding's Citizenlink in order that local sexual health information can be included in the database that Citizenlink operators have. This includes information on local family planning; erectile dysfunction; Chlamydia and teenage pregnancy services
- Alcohol Booths**
 We were also pleased to work with Hull's Citysafe to populate the new alcohol booths that are in development, with sexual health information, including a video, raising awareness of the young people's drop-in service on the first floor at Conifer House, run by Cornerhouse Yorkshire.
- Choices**
 We have also worked with Hull Teaching PCT public health to develop the new local service www.nhs/humber, supplying and checking text.

Market Research

As already discussed street-based is undertaken by the Hull & East Riding Sexual and Reproductive Healthcare Partnership every two years. At the time of writing this current Annual Report, preliminary results for the January 2008 survey were forthcoming, and apply to some of the campaigns and materials that were not featured in the last report, or evaluation information was not yet available. Some of these results are as under:

- Young People's sexual health leaflet (Goole) – 17% awareness (Goole residents only surveyed)
- Awareness of the Partnership's network logo – 44%. An increase of 39%. The logo has tended to have the same awareness as telephone directory entries (5%) in past years, but as more materials are developed, and as it is the main image of our website www.luvhull.co.uk, awareness seems to have increased significantly
- Termination of Pregnancy Poster (distributed in 2005/6) – 24% in 2008 indicated awareness of this poster, which featured mainly in GP practices, and is obviously still remembered.
- External bus advertising – 60% recalled the Chlamydia advert on the rear of one bus, and side panels of a further four.

Training

The Sexual Health Promotion Team has continued to work in close partnership with our colleagues from Cornerhouse, the East Riding of Yorkshire Council and the local Teenage Pregnancy Coordinators to deliver a high standard of sexual health training across Hull and the East Riding.

Evaluation of the training delivered has been overwhelmingly positive and early responses to a 'tracking' survey of participants indicates that staff practice has improved as a result of undertaking the training – particularly in the field of working with young people.

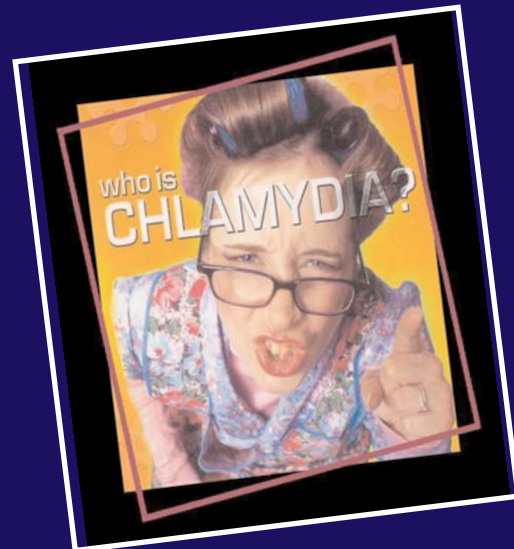
Training packages have been reviewed and redrafted in order to meet the needs of staff and to ensure that the information we provide is up to date and accurate.

The following is a brief outline of the sexual health training delivered through partnership working in Hull and the East Riding this year.



Training

“Well presented, informative and clear”



Level 1 – Introduction to Sexual Health

This half-day training session has been designed as the first step for professionals supporting young people who want to have knowledge and confidence in working with issues around sexual health. The training is of benefit to professionals from either the statutory or voluntary sector who support the needs and wellbeing of young people. On completion participants will have acquired:

- Accurate and up to date information around promoting safer sex and contraception
- Knowledge about STIs (sexually transmitted infections) and HIV/AIDS
- Information about how to signpost and access local sexual health services
- A basic overview of sex and the law

10 sessions delivered

Training

*“Informative, fun and useful.
Practical tools - not just theory”*

Level 2 – Working with Young People and Sexual Health

This 1-day session is designed to give participants the opportunity to apply and build on their learning gained on the Level 1 training.

Participants explore current sex and relationship education while being offered practical strategies to integrate promoting positive sexual health into their own working practice.

The training covers:

- Engaging with young people on either 1 to 1 or a group basis
- Exploring appropriate use of language and terminology
- Acknowledging issues faced by young people relating to sexuality
- Understanding the concept of ‘Delay’ and its relevance for Young People
- Applying and reviewing the learning in relation to difficult or problematic situations

9 sessions delivered

Training

Level 3 – Condom Distribution

This 1-day training package enables participants to provide a condom distribution service for young people.

The training covers:

- Condom distribution policy, procedures and record keeping
- Talking to young people about sexual health
- Pathways to key services
- Choices around unplanned pregnancies
- Young people's rights to access services

6 sessions delivered



Training

HIV and AIDS Awareness

This 90-minute non-clinical training session is designed to raise awareness of the issues surrounding HIV & AIDS to improve the skills and attitudes of staff dealing with people concerned about, or living with, HIV and also to reduce the stigma attached to HIV and thereby improve service user experience of HIV services.

Participants who undertake this training will:

- Have an understanding of the nature of HIV and AIDS
- Be aware of the distinction between HIV and AIDS
- Understand how HIV is transmitted and how to reduce risk
- Have an understanding of treatments for HIV
- Have explored and challenged their own thoughts and feelings around HIV/AIDS

6 sessions delivered

"HIV/AIDS is a very difficult topic to discuss - it was presented in an easy to understand manner"



Training

Sexuality Awareness

"The trainer put everyone at ease and it was a fun environment to learn in"

This half-day training package provides participants with a basic understanding of issues relating to gay men, lesbians and bisexuals.

There is a particular emphasis on practical action that can be taken within primary care settings in order to improve access and patient experience for this marginalised group.

The training covers:

- Homophobia and heterosexism and how they manifest themselves in the workplace
- An overview of relevant research and legislation
- The impact of homophobia & heterosexism on patient experience
- Challenging homophobic language, myths and stereotypes
- Identifying priorities for change within the workplace

6 sessions delivered

Training

Working Effectively with Boys and Young Men

This 2-day course aims to provide an understanding of the issues affecting boys and young men in relation to sexual health and enables participants to explore these issues in a safe environment by sharing their own experiences and through a variety of training techniques. Boys and young men have historically taken second place in terms of sexual health education and this training course is designed to help workers to redress the balance.

Participants explore their own feelings and attitudes as well as those they perceive as belonging to the client group through small and large group work and gain knowledge of effective methods and tools for working with boys & young men.

6 sessions delivered

"Inclusive - everyone was able to say how they felt"

Training

Delay Training – 'Let's Leave It 'Til Later'

This 2-day course equips participants with the understanding and skills to help support young people to delay sex until they feel ready to make positive and informed choices.

It is designed to give staff very practical strategies for exploring delay with young people while continuing to offer excellent SRE and confidential contraceptive and sexual health advice, services and support to those who do become sexually active.

Participants on the course have the opportunity to:

- Explore the causes and effects of early sex and look at current research findings

- Understand the role played by the media and peer pressure in early sexual activity
- Explore a range of practical ways of working with young people to help them make positive and healthy decisions for themselves
- Gain skills to hand on to young people in how to say 'no' and how to resist pressure
- Focus on alternatives to having sex
- Consider the role played by friendships and supportive adults in supporting delay
- Share methodologies and insights drawn from our own experiences

- Consider and clarify the values we bring to this work
- Plan ways in which to implement the course learning in practice and how to present and develop this work with young people

6 sessions delivered

*"Realistic, relevant,
practical and do-able!"*

Training

Improving Access for Young People

This newly developed 2-hour training package has been designed for busy general practices and other sexual health services based on the 'You're Welcome' guidelines. It provides information and support on the legal framework and professional codes on confidentiality when working with young people.

The package includes:

- Sample practice confidentiality policies and staff confidentiality agreements

- Guidelines on producing and displaying publicity informing young people about confidentiality, training suggestions and case studies
- Specific ways in which young people may feel more inclined to visit your sexual health service and so seek contraceptive advice
- Legal issues and young peoples' rights
- Highlighting good practice and possible improvements

3 sessions delivered

*"Very interesting and will
help in my job"*



Training

'Latex Airways'



This is a condom demonstration resource for use with young people, developed through the partnership. It promotes good practice in condom use and is based on the safety announcement on aircraft before takeoff. Although delivered in a light-hearted way, it covers all the important information needed to use condoms safely and effectively. It has been received extremely well by young people in schools and colleges and we are hoping to roll this out further in the coming year.

PSHE (Personal, Social and Health Education)

In addition to providing training to teachers working towards their PSHE Certification, specific sexual health issues have also been identified for teachers involved in PSHE delivery. This year training has been delivered on both 'Delay' work and Homophobic Bullying in Schools.

Training

Training Diary

This year we have produced two training prospectuses – one each for Hull and the East Riding. This is in response to the difficulties that arose through combining the training opportunities into one document last year. Both will now include clinical training offered by the Sexual & Reproductive Healthcare Partnership as well as the non-clinical training detailed above. This will be made available as a hard copy or PDF file and will be accessible through the PCTs Intranets.



Community & User Involvement

Community and User Involvement continues to be a government priority. NHS organisations have a duty to actively involve both patients and members of the public in the delivery of existing services as well as shaping future services.

This report details sexual health community/user involvement initiatives undertaken throughout 2007/8.

The work was steered by the multi-agency Hull and East Riding Sexual and Reproductive Healthcare Partnership Community and User Involvement Group.

Gay Men's Condom Distribution Scheme

During 2007 the Partnership evaluated its gay men's condom distribution pilot in gay friendly commercial settings across Hull. As a part of the evaluation 445 members of the local gay community provided their views of the scheme. In summary local gay men told us:

- 88.8% found it easier to obtain free condoms as a result of the scheme
- 69.2% preferred to obtain condoms from this scheme (based in commercial settings) rather than via an NHS service
- 86.6% were more likely to use condoms as a result of the scheme



Community & User Involvement

Project Registration Forms

Collaborative working between the Patient and Public Involvement (PPI) leads (Hull tPCT East Riding PCT, Acute Trust and the Humber Mental Health Trust) and the Sexual Healthcare Partnership has continued to develop during 2007-8.

The Partnership now ensures that all projects are submitted to Hull tPCT for approval via the completion of Project Registration Forms.

Comment Cards

The Sexual and Reproductive Healthcare Partnership now disseminates Hull tPCT comment cards via sexual health services provided throughout Hull. The comment cards enable users to provide feedback to the Partnership. This information is collated by the PALS service allowing tailored improvements to be made to the services offered by the Partnership.



Community & User Involvement

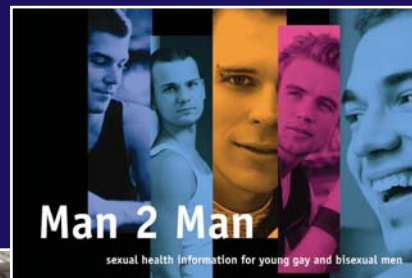
Sexuality Booklet (Man 2 Man)

Following the success of the "Woman 2 Woman" booklet, three local young men have produced a new resource called "Man 2 Man". This booklet provides sexual health advice to local gay and bisexual young men and covers a broad range of other related topics. Also included is advice for those who are uncertain about their sexual orientation and a list of local gay-friendly venues and support agencies.

Man 2 Man has been developed by local young men in conjunction with the Hull & East Riding Sexual and Reproductive Healthcare Partnership and the East Riding of Yorkshire Council Youth Service. During its development 53 local young gay and bisexual men gave us valuable feedback on the draft design and text which the project team were happy to incorporate into the final booklet.

Copies can be obtained by contacting Helen Jones (East Riding Youth Service Tel: 01482 392808) or Eric Morris (Hull tPCT Resource Centre Tel: 01482 617811).

"It's been fantastic working on this booklet. We have worked really hard and it is exciting to see it materialise" (Man 2 Man Volunteer)



Community & User Involvement

HIV PREVENTION

HIV questionnaire

Working in partnership with the Hull tPCT Service Redesign Team and the Hull and East Riding Clinical Policy Forum HIV Subgroup the Sexual and Reproductive Healthcare Partnership developed a questionnaire aimed at local people living with HIV. The questionnaire was developed to collect information regarding preferences for HIV treatment and support services.

The findings will inform members of the Clinical Policy Forum HIV subgroup and will shape future HIV service provision across Hull and the East Riding of Yorkshire.

HIV prevention pathway development

The Sexual Health Promotion team undertook a mapping exercise of existing local HIV prevention work the results of which were fed into the Hull and East Riding Clinical Policy Forum HIV Subgroup. Local sexual health professions then attended a consultation day in November 07 to begin work on a local HIV prevention pathway, the development of which is ongoing.

Community & User Involvement

HIV booklet

"We're very pleased with the end result and it makes all the difference when members of the public play such a major role in developing our information resources with us"
(Libby Nicholas - Development Manager)

Staff from the Sexual and Reproductive Healthcare Partnership and Social Services (Hull & East Riding) worked with local people living with HIV/AIDS to develop a new type of information resource. This new booklet contains a collection of reflective thoughts and experiences from local people living with HIV, along with a list of useful contacts. The aim is to support local people recently diagnosed with HIV and to combat feelings of isolation and confusion.

The booklet was launched on the 1st December (World AIDS Day) and is available from Eric Morris (Hull tPCT Resource Centre Tel: 01482 617811).



Community & User Involvement

Service User Audit of unmet need in family planning clinics

In a bid to ensure that the Sexual and Reproductive Healthcare Partnership provides a comprehensive contraceptive service, staff working within the Partnership have consulted service users to check if the current level of service provision is meeting their needs.

The findings from the audit will be used to shape future services.

Consultation stand

Cornerhouse staff (working on the first floor at Conifer House), provide an invaluable service to the Community and User Involvement Group by facilitating a number of consultations throughout the year. These consultations prove essential when developing any young people friendly resources. In order to assist the staff with the consultations the group purchased a stand which aims to advertise any new materials and to encourage user consultation.



Community & User Involvement

North Hull Mapping

During 2007/8 staff working within the Sexual and Reproductive Healthcare Partnership mapped sexual health service provision (provided by a number of different agencies) across Hull. As part of this wider project, a small multi-agency group met to look specifically at the service provision and views of local people resident within the North Hull Locality.

In total 179 members of the public were consulted regarding their knowledge of current service provision and their recommendations for future improvements. The findings from the consultation will be presented to PCT commissioners and used by the Partnership to shape future service delivery.

Hull Teenage Pregnancy Support Service (TPSS) Advisory Group

During 2007/8 Hull TPSS has continued to consult and involve pregnant teenagers and teenage parents (in particular teenage dads/dads to be) through the Hull TPSS advisory group sessions.

Research into Under 18 Teenage Conception

Hull Teenage Pregnancy Unit (TPU) in partnership with the Acute Trust and Hull University undertook a number of semi-structured interviews with local young people in order to ascertain information on the local factors which lead to under 18 conceptions.

Staff Recruitment

In accordance with the Hull City Council policy on young people's recruitment and selection, teenage parents continue to be involved in interviewing new members of staff within the Hull Teenage Pregnancy Support Service (TPSS). This year they appointed a new fathers worker and a new health worker.

Community & User Involvement

The Warren - The Sex Factor

The Warren has been working on a user-led project called the Sex factor which is funded by NRF and commissioned by Hull TPU which involves working with young people to design effective media campaigns to deliver sexual health messages to young people in Hull.

Proposed change of day to deliver community gynaecology clinic

The Partnership asked 29 patients attending a Community Gynaecology clinic held at Conifer House whether they would welcome the service being moved from a Monday to a Wednesday. 24 out of 29 people stated they would welcome the change of day, 5 people did not know and there no negative responses. As a result the service will look to relocate the community gynaecology clinic to a Wednesday during 2008.

Gonorrhoea/Chlamydia leaflet

During the development of a combined Gonorrhoea/Chlamydia test patient information leaflet 27 members of the public were consulted. 26 of these stated that the leaflet was easy to understand and found the diagrams useful. Comments were incorporated into the final version.

Community & User Involvement

2007 National Gay Men's Sex Survey

The Partnership facilitated the distribution of questionnaires and posters advertising the UK Gay Men's Sex Survey 2007. The research was funded by the Terrence Higgins Trust as part of the Community HIV and AIDS Prevention Strategy and was conducted by Sigma Research in collaboration with health promoters throughout Britain and Ireland. The results of the survey are expected in summer 2008 and will be used to further evidence the sexual health needs of local gay men. For further information see www.sigmaresearch.org.uk

Cornerhouse – change of opening times

Cornerhouse 1st floor young people's sexual health drop-in (held at Conifer House), consulted 97 members of the public if they should change their opening times during the week to 12.00 – 5.30pm Monday – Friday. 79 respondents said they would welcome the change of opening hours. As a result of the consultation Cornerhouse have changed the opening time of the young people's drop-in sexual health service.

Genitourinary Medicine – extension of opening times

In a bid to ensure more clinics are available to our service users the Partnership consulted members of the public asking them if they thought the sexual health clinic opening times at Conifer House should be extended. Members of the public were asked if the clinics should extend the opening hours during the week to 8am - 6pm Mon – Friday. In total the Partnership received 99 responses from people living across Hull and the East Riding. Of these, 90 said they would welcome the extended opening times, 6 did not know and 3 stated they would not welcome them. As the result of the consultation the Partnership has extended the opening times of the Sexual Health Clinics offered at Conifer House.

Community & User Involvement

Chlamydia pharmacy leaflet

Following on from last years partnership working with the Community Pharmacy Framework Collaborative Project Facilitator on their Chlamydia poster, further consultation took place on the accompanying leaflet. In total 29 young people were successfully consulted.

*"All round good information",
"not too big and very informative",
"short, concise, informative, simple, overall a good leaflet".*



If there are no symptoms, how do you know?
Free home test kits are available for under 25's from selected pharmacies.

