

Agenda Item

Adult Social Care and Health Select Committee

15th December 2020

SCRUTINY REVIEW OF HOSPITAL DISCHARGE (PHASE 2)

Summary

The evidence-gathering for phase 2 of this review (discharge to an individual's own home) will resume at this Committee meeting, and will involve contributions from representatives of Healthwatch Stockton-on-Tees, Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council's Carers Service, and Eastern Ravens.

Detail

1. In October 2020, Healthwatch England, in association with the British Red Cross, published a report on the experiences of people being discharged from hospital during the COVID-19 pandemic (see the following link).

https://www.healthwatch.co.uk/sites/healthwatch.co.uk/files/20201026%20Peoples%20experiences%20of%20leaving%20hospital%20during%20COVID-19_0.pdf

At a local level, Healthwatch Stockton-on-Tees have undertaken their own survey aimed at individuals and their carers, and will be providing feedback on this and whether the findings are in line with the experiences of people nationally.

2. The Committee will receive information from the Council's Carers Service which will include the support it provides around discharge from hospital, as well as the experiences of carers when the person they care for is admitted / discharged, and when they themselves are admitted / discharged.
3. Eastern Ravens was identified as a contributor to this review and will be providing feedback from young carers and their families on their experiences of hospital discharge.
4. A copy of the agreed scope and plan for this review is included for information.

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