



Title of Meeting:	Equality Steering Group
Time:	13:30pm - 15.300pm
Date:	17 th July 2013
Venue:	Room 2.03
Reference:	SAW/EB
Chairman:	Lydia George

Attendees

LG	Planning and Risk Manager (Chair)
RA	Public Health Specialist
EB	Equality & Diversity Manager
	Visitor
RB	GP Lead for Equality and Diversity
PS	HR/OD Manager
	Head of Contracts & Service Improvement – Mental Health & Learning Disabilities & Specialised Services
	Patient and Public Engagement Manager
	RA EB

		Action By
1	Welcome/ Apologies	
	LG welcomed everyone to the first meeting. Rebecca Atchison is representing the Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council.	
	Apologies	
	Sarah Whittle (SAW), Sarah Lever (SL) Rebecca Chadburn (RC) Rachel Garrison(RG)	
2	Minutes from previous meeting 10 th April 2013	
	The notes were agreed as a true and accurate record.	
3	Matters Arising	
	It was noted that NHS Rotherham Foundation Trust has not yet provided Equality and Diversity assurance to the CCG.	

	LG agreed to discuss with both Sarah lever and Sarah Whittle	LG
	EB agreed to circulate the Equality and Diversity Newsletter to RB and RA.	EB
4	Draft Equality Diversity and Human Rights Strategy	
	EB to check whether this is a strategy or policy document.	EB
	EB shared the draft strategy with the group and asked for feedback by Monday 5 th August 2013.	EB
	Rotherham CCG engagement strategy will be included.	EB
	Once updated, the strategy will be presented at the Operational Executive, Operational Risk, Governance & Quality Management Group and Governing Board for approval.	EB
5	Draft Equality impact Assessment and Guidance 2013	
	EB presented the revised draft EIA to the group and received feedback.	EB
	RA agreed to check RMBC's EIA form for any consistency.	RA
	EB will be developing and rolling out training to equip staff with the relevant skills to do an EIA and it was agreed that the training needed to be delivered to Head of Contracts.	EB
	Sue Hart to review previous Governing Board papers from the 1 st April 2013 to establish if EIA was completed on papers.	SH
6	Workforce briefing	
	PS presented the Workforce Equalities briefing/proposed actions which were noted by the action group they were approved for implementation.	
	The above will be included into the Equality Diversity and Human Rights Strategy.	EB
7	Revised Equality Objectives and actions	
	NHS Rotherham CCG will be keeping their currently equalities objectives and revising the actions to include the Friends and Family Test.	
	EB to work with leads to develop new actions and circulate to the group before the next meeting.	EB

8	Any Other business	
	Webpage EB informed the group that the Equality & Diversity webpage will be updated on a regular basis.	EB
	Access to GP practices RA raised a question about access to GP practices in the Swinton/Fitzwilliam Area. RA is to raise with NHS England as this area of work is now their responsibility.	RA
9.	Date of next meeting	
	Wednesday 30 th October 2013 at 14:30 – 16:00 in G.10	