MENTAL HEALTH STRATEGY – REPORT ON PROGRESS – ACTION 23

Date of report	23 July 2019
Date of last report	18 December 2018
Project end date	No time scale
Action Number	23
Action Owner (s)	Sarah Griffiths (temporary)
Action Link	Sarah Griffiths (temporary)
Action Text	Test and evaluate the most effective and sustainable models of supporting mental health in primary care, by 2019.

Progress Update from Previous report	RAG
1. The Scottish Government is investing £110 million in the Primary Care Fund (PCF) in 2018-19 to support implementation of the new GP contract and wider primary care reform. This includes several different funding lines, including the Primary Care Transformation fund and the Primary Care Mental Health Fund. To date, £10m has been invested via PCMHF to encourage the development of new models of care to ensure that people with mental health problems get the right treatment, in the right place, at the right time. In 2018/19, a further £5.5 million of funding will be released and primary care improvement plans must demonstrate how this is being used to re-design primary care services to ensure that those who need mental health support can access it when they need it.	Amber
2. The Scottish School of Primary Care has undertaken an formal evaluation of the projects funded by the PCTF and the PCMHF to provide evidence to support different models of primary care. The evaluation comprises 5 case studies with a geographic focus (Inverclyde; Lanarkshire; Ayrshire and Arran; Tayside; Highlands and Islands) and 2 with a thematic focus (Advanced Nurse Practitioners; and MSK practitioners).	Amber

Key Deliverables in next 6 months (include estimated date for each deliverable)	RAG
Until resource is allocated to action 23 it is no possible to scope out key deliverables. As per the above, the resource allocated to action 23 will scope out the extent to which the evaluation and work published truly supports HSCPs to reshape services to improve support for mental health in primary care, based on evidence of effective practice.	
Primary Care Plans Reviewed.	

What does success look like?
1. Published evaluation of effective models in 2019 – Complete.
2. HSCPs are able to reshape services to improve support for mental health in primary care, based on evidence of effective practice.

What data (if any) can evidence delivery?
1. How many projects show improvement and efficiency in service.
2. Qualitative and quantitative data – change in service use and experience in services.

Any other comments	