



North
Tyneside
Council

The Better Care Fund in North Tyneside

Health and Wellbeing Board – 12 June 2023

Purpose of the session

- To consider approval of the 2022/23 year end template
- To consider approval of the 2023–25 plans

BCF Background

- Introduced in 2015/16 bringing together a number of pre-existing funding streams
- Additional funding streams added most recently Discharge Support funding from 2022/23
- Creates a pooled fund supporting integration between health and social care formalised in a legal agreement between the Authority and the ICB

BCF Year End Template 2022/23 (1)

- Requires sign off from Health and Wellbeing Board
- Confirmation that the 4 National Conditions have been met
 - 1) A Plan has been agreed for the Health and Wellbeing Board area that includes all mandatory funding and this is included in a pooled fund governed under section 75 of the NHS Act 2006
 - 2) Planned contribution to social care from the NHS minimum contribution is agreed in line with the BCF policy?
 - 3) Agreement to invest in NHS commissioned out of hospital services
 - 4) Plan for improving outcomes for people being discharged from hospital

BCF Year End Template 2022/23 (2)

- Outline whether the 4 National Metrics targets have been met

Metric	Progress
Avoidable admissions	Not met
Discharge to usual place of residence	Met
Residential care admissions	Not met
Effectiveness of reablement	Not met

- Confirm spend from fund

BCF Plan 2023-25 Objectives

- Requires sign off from Health and Wellbeing Board
- Two year plan but funding in year 2 not fully confirmed
- There are two policy objectives for the BCF which remain unchanged from 2022/23;
 1. Enable people to stay well, safe and independent at home for longer and,
 2. Provide the right care in the right place at the right time.

BCF Plan 2023-25 Metrics

- Five National Metrics initially (new one on admissions relating to Falls in 65+)
- Sixth metric to be added later in the year on discharge delays

BCF Plan 2023-25 Capacity and Demand

- A new element of planning which looks at the capacity and demand for Intermediate Care defined as rehabilitation and reablement and any other short term services lasting up to 6 weeks

BCF Plan 2023-25 Funding

- Funding for 2023/24

Income Component	2022/23	2023/24	% change this year
Minimum ICB Contribution	19,326,469	20,420,347	5.66%
Improved Better Care Fund	9,578,514	9,578,514	0.00%
Discharge Support Fund	1,761,723	2,206,549	25.2%
Disabled Facilities Grant	1,869,024	1,869,024	0.00%
Disabled Facilities Grant carried forward	1,157,668	1,257,308	8.6%
Grand total	33,693,398	35,331,742	4.9%

BCF Plan 2023-25 Narrative Plan

- The narrative plan outlines the approach to integration in the local area and how the fund is being used to meet BCF and deliver outcomes for residents

Next Steps

- The plans must be submitted by 28 June 2023
- Assurance process
- Approval letter by 8 September 2023
- Signed s75 agreement by 31 October
- Quarterly reporting begins from quarter 2 on the main fund metrics and spend
- Fortnightly reporting for the discharge fund throughout the year