Our members in 2013/14

2gether NHS Foundation Trust
5 Boroughs Partnership NHS Foundation Trust
Avon & Wiltshire Mental Health Partnership NHS Trust
Barnet, Enfield & Haringey Mental Health NHS Trust
Berkshire Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust
Big White Wall
Birmingham & Solihull Mental Health NHS Foundation Trust
Black Country Partnership NHS Foundation Trust
Bradford District Care
Calderstones Partnership NHS Foundation Trust
Cambian Healthcare
Cambridgeshire & Peterborough NHS Foundation Trust
Camden and Islington NHS Foundation Trust
Care UK
Central & North West London NHS Foundation Trust
Cheshire & Wirral Partnership NHS Foundation Trust
Combat Stress
Cornwall Partnership NHS Foundation Trust
Cumbria Partnership NHS Foundation Trust
Cygnet Health Care
Derbyshire Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust
Devon Partnership NHS Trust
Dorset Healthcare University NHS Foundation Trust
Dudley & Walsall Mental Health Partnership NHS Trust
East London NHS Foundation Trust
Family Mosaic
Greater Manchester West Mental Health NHS Foundation Trust
Hertfordshire Partnership NHS Foundation Trust
Humber NHS Foundation Trust
Isle of Wight NHS Trust
Kent & Medway NHS and Social Care Partnership Trust
Lancashire Care NHS Foundation Trust
Leeds & York Partnership NHS Foundation Trust
Leicestershire Partnership NHS Trust
Lincolnshire Partnership NHS Foundation Trust
Look Ahead Care and Support Ltd
Manchester Mental Health & Social Care Trust
Mcch Society Ltd
Mental Health Concern
Mental Health Matters
Mersey Care NHS Trust
Midland Heart Limited
Norfolk & Suffolk NHS Foundation Trust
North East London NHS Foundation Trust
North Essex Partnership NHS Foundation Trust
North Staffordshire Combined Healthcare NHS Trust
Northamptonshire Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust
Northumberland, Tyne & Wear NHS Foundation Trust
Nottinghamshire Healthcare NHS Trust
One Housing Group
Oxford Health NHS Foundation Trust
Oxleas NHS Foundation Trust
Partnerships In Care Limited
Pennine Care NHS Foundation Trust
Priory Healthcare
Richmond Fellowship
Rotherham Doncaster & South Humber NHS Foundation Trust
Sheffield Health & Social Care NHS Foundation Trust
Solent NHS Trust
Somerset Partnership NHS Foundation Trust
South Essex Partnership University NHS Foundation Trust
South London & Maudsley NHS Foundation Trust
South Staffordshire & Shropshire Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust
South West London & St Georges Mental Health NHS Trust
South West Yorkshire Partnership NHS Foundation Trust
South Yorkshire Housing Association
Southern Health NHS Foundation Trust
St Andrew’s Healthcare
St Mungo’s
Surrey & Borders Partnership NHS Foundation Trust
Sussex Partnership NHS Foundation Trust
Tavistock & Portman NHS Foundation Trust
Tees, Esk & Wear Valleys NHS Foundation Trust
The Huntercombe Group
Together: Working For Wellbeing
Turning Point
West London Mental Health NHS Trust
Worcestershire Health & Care NHS Trust
At the start of 2013/14 we set out to put our members’ voice at the heart of the big conversations. Throughout the course of the year we worked closely with the Department of Health, NHS England, the Care Quality Commission, Monitor and all three political parties to ensure mental health was not pushed to one side.

However, we do find ourselves in a system that is in a state of flux. On the one hand we have government commitment to parity of esteem between physical health and mental health, yet on the other we have tariffs being set that discriminate against the mental health and community sectors.

We know this challenge will continue into 2014/15 and we will be working hard to ensure that, through our voice, your views are heard and a system where mental health is fully acknowledged is in place.

The Mental Health Network is still the only national body that represents providers from across the statutory, independent and not for profit sectors. This gives us our legitimacy to lead national discussions and to speak the truth.

In 2014/15 we will be challenging the institutional bias to make parity of esteem a reality, ensuring member views are represented in discussions around choice and payment by results, and continuing to lead the debate around e-mental health.

There is no denying the coming year will again be tough, but be assured that your network is on your journey with you. It will be a year of challenge. Challenge we will.

Shaun Clee
Chair, Mental Health Network
Chief Executive, 2gether NHS Foundation Trust
The Mental Health Network’s oversubscribed conference this year was just one symptom of your network going from strength to strength. This will continue with your engagement. The feedback, advice and involvement of members has been key to our collective success since the formation of the network and so it was in the last 12 months. Based on my own experience as a long serving provider chief executive, I know how incredibly demanding your role is and that’s why I’m so grateful for your continued support. It is a privilege to represent your views.

Your network team is working hard on your behalf and looking ahead we want to improve the offer to members. Launched at the annual MHN conference, our focus in 2014/15 is the future of mental health. Taking into account what you tell us works, we will continue to produce timely briefings that make sense of policy and trends. We will move towards meetings with a clearer focus, such as one planned for the autumn on new technologies. Private member dinners were popular this year, inviting key system leaders to a ‘Chatham House’ exchange, and there will be more. We will be refreshing our online offer with resources for your staff and raising the profile of mental health using wider social media and the press.

As we head in to a frenetic pre-election year, we will be ensuring mental health stays on the manifesto agendas of the key parties and continuing to hold politicians and system leaders to account.

It’s been a hectic, and sometimes frustrating, 12 months with the new system architecture at times both slow and inconsistent. We will expect and demand more of them this coming year and no doubt that’s what you expect from me. I will strive to deliver. Importantly, I want to say a sincere thank you to all our supporters and I promise we’ll provide a bigger venue for the annual conference next year! Finally, we are clear, as I know you are, that what we do needs to add value in terms of serving those who find themselves in need of mental health services and that’s our shared mission.

My very best wishes for a successful year ahead.

Stephen Dalton
Chief Executive
Mental Health Network
Our ambitions for 2014/15

The coming year will continue to challenge the whole of the NHS, not least the mental health sector. As the health service continues to experience financial pressures, the Mental Health Network will be working hard to ensure your voice is heard.

Working with political parties
As we head towards the next general election, we will continue to work closely with parliamentarians from all three of the main political parties as they develop their election manifestos.

The future of mental health
Mental health services are facing challenging times and an uncertain future. With our annual conference and exhibition in March kicking off the debate on the future of mental health, we will continue to explore this theme in our work next year.

Mental health crisis care
In February, we signed up to the Department of Health’s Mental Health Crisis Care Concordat. This aims to support local systems to improve crisis care. In addition to our on-the-day member summary and subsequent briefing paper, we will be continuing our work around crisis care during 2014/15.

E-mental health
This spring, we will publish our NHS England-commissioned report on e-mental health services – part of our work on the future of mental health. In the autumn, we will hold an event for members to share good practice, from both the UK and abroad.

Supporting recovery
We will continue to work with partners at the Centre for Mental Health as the Implementing Recovery through Organisational Change (ImROC) initiative enters its third phase of working with mental health service providers in refocusing their services around the principles of recovery.

Challenging institutional bias
Following NHS England and Monitor’s guidance on the 2014/15 deflator which subjects mental health services to a 20 per cent higher tariff deflator, we will continue to challenge institutional bias against mental health.

Making parity a reality
Following the Deputy Prime Minister’s launch of the Government’s mental health action plan, Closing the Gap, we will continue to work closely with the Minister of State for Care and Support, Norman Lamb MP, the Department of Health and NHS England to support implementation and to help ensure true parity of esteem becomes a reality for mental health.

Maternal mental health
In 2014/15, we will begin a work programme on maternal mental health. We will highlight good practice, outline gaps in provision, and explore the opportunities and challenges for services to secure positive outcomes for children and parents. At the NHS Confederation’s annual conference and exhibition in June we will host a session on this and publish a briefing for members.

Choice and payment by results
In April, choice of provider is due to be extended in mental health services for the first time. Throughout this important period, we will continue our work on the introduction of new payment mechanisms, plus we will engage closely with NHS England and others.
Our successes in 2013/14

Over the past year, we have worked hard to influence government policy, stimulate debate, and keep you updated on the key issues affecting your organisation. These are some of our highlights.

One sector, one voice
We co-founded the Mental Health Policy Group with partners Mind, Rethink Mental Illness, Centre for Mental Health, Royal College of Psychiatrists and Mental Health Foundation. The group brings together policy expertise and allows us the opportunity to speak as one voice on key issues affecting the sector.

Engaging parliamentarians
Independently, and in collaboration with partners in the Mental Health Policy Group, we held a series of events and meetings involving Jeremy Hunt, Norman Lamb and Andy Burnham on the issues and policies affecting mental health service users and providers. In April, we held a joint event with the Labour Party in parliament for members to help the party explore what whole-person care means for mental health.

Developing a regulatory framework that works for mental health
With the regulatory landscape experiencing significant change, we have worked closely with the Care Quality Commission to shape a framework that works for mental health. Alongside economic and market regulation shifting closer to Monitor, we have questioned the state of preparedness – especially among commissioners – for the introduction of more sophisticated payment arrangements, including payment by results.

Making recovery a reality
The ImROC initiative worked with over half of all statutory providers, and a number of independent providers, to refocus services around recovery principles. In March, ImROC held a sold-out national conference where over 300 delegates came together to look at co-production as a foundation of recovery-focused practice.

Mental health and community services
Two-thirds of Mental Health Network members report that their organisations are delivering non-mental health services. In December, we published a briefing paper on the key questions this diversification raises for the sector.

Speaking to the whole NHS
At the NHS Confederation’s annual conference and exhibition in June, we held sessions looking at mental health and community services, supporting recovery, e-mental health and improving safety, in addition to our annual general meeting. Our chief executive, Stephen Dalton, also spoke alongside shadow health secretary Andy Burnham MP as part of a panel debating transformational service change across the whole of the NHS.

Bringing members together
Over the course of 2013/14, we were joined by more than 200 members at our network general meetings featuring high profile speakers. At our sold-out annual conference and exhibition over 150 colleagues came together to hear from Norman Lamb MP and outgoing NHS England chief executive, Sir David Nicholson.

Influencing government policy on your behalf
Throughout the year, we worked hard on behalf of members to influence government policy on matters including the refreshed NHS Mandate. As a member of the Department of Health and NHS England-sponsored System Leadership Board, we shaped thinking and policy on issues such as crisis care, liaison and diversion, parity of esteem and other pre-election government priorities for mental health.

E-mental health
Following the launch of our briefing, E-mental health: what’s all the fuss about?, we continued to make the case for mental health services making greater use of information and technology. We are now leading the development of an NHS England-commissioned report to establish how technology is being used and its impact on supporting better mental health and wellbeing.

Smoking and mental health
In September, we published a briefing paper on smoking and mental health which called on healthcare providers to examine ways to reduce harm from smoking for people with mental health problems. In conjunction with our Mental Health Policy Group colleagues, we also published a discussion paper on reducing the health inequalities experienced by people with mental health problems.
Our people

The Mental Health Network is self-governing with our own board elected by members. The board sets our business plan and approves the network’s budget.

Board members*

Chair: Shaun Clee
Chief executive, 2gether NHS Foundation Trust

Vice Chair: Professor Chris Thompson
Chief Medical Officer, Priory Healthcare

Chief Executive: Stephen Dalton
Dr Felix Davies
Managing Director for Mental Health, Turning Point

Professor Dean Fathers
Chair, Nottinghamshire Healthcare NHS Trust

Liz Felton
Chief Executive, Together: Working for Wellbeing

Frank Griffiths
Chair, Leeds & York Partnership NHS Foundation Trust

Beverley Humphreys
Chief Executive, Greater Manchester West Mental Health NHS Foundation Trust

Steve Jones
Chair, South Staffordshire & Shropshire Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust

Dr Nick Land
Medical Director, Tees, Esk & Wear Valleys NHS Foundation Trust

Steven Michael
Chief Executive, South West Yorkshire Partnership NHS Foundation Trust

Iain Tulley
Chief Executive, Avon & Wiltshire Mental Health Partnership NHS Trust

Anne Beales MBE
Service User Consultant

Phil Hough
Carer Consultant

*As of January 2014.

Mental Health Network team

The MHN team delivers the network’s business plan and includes specialists in policy, business management, marketing and communications.

Stephen Dalton
Chief Executive

Rebecca Cotton
Director of Mental Health Policy

Dawn Fleming
Mental Health Contracts Account Manager / ImROC Business Manager

Claire Mallett
Policy Manager

Alexander Rushton
Senior Communications Officer

Vicky Dmochowski
PA to Chief Executive

Finance

A summary of the forecast network outturn for 2013/14 is shown in the table below. These figures are yet to be audited and are therefore subject to change.

We have a forecast outturn of £122K for the year. This is due to membership income being higher than budgeted and income generated from contracts. We managed a number of contracts during the year and this forms a substantial part of income and expenditure for the Network.

Summary of income and expenditure 2013/14

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