Developing your project aim

Overall
problem/area
issue:

We lack an agreed system approach to identifying, assessing and treating urgent mental health needs, alongside physical and social needs, either prior to or on presentation at Emergency Departments.

This means that patients often experience long-waits in environments not well suited to their needs, multiple assessments and delayed transfers to appropriate care settings.

From a system perspective this leads to inefficient use of resources, poor patient outcomes and pressures on our services and pathways.

Your purpose in wanting to improve this (WHY):

Ambulance – increase in MH demand in pathway, 25% increase, 50-60% of ambulances conveying to ambulances, 9hrs to see a MH specialist, compounded by police response. Off loading demand into ED.

ED – better environment but not appropriate. Attendances and admissions from ED higher than national and system averages.

MH – impact on liaison team is significant increase in activity levels. 50% more contacts. More centralized OOH offer. Front loading activity at start of day.

Your proposed SMART aim statement:

Improve joint Physical/Mental Health assessments and interventions at the ED interface to decrease the number of MH admissions from 6% of attendances (105 per month) to the BSW average (2.88% / 50 people) within 12 months and the national average (1.75% / 30 people) within 18 months.

What further scoping or tools will you use to understand the problem further:

See Fishbone Analysis:

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What scale are you operating at within the system? (mico,

Micro – relationships, interactions, and behaviours at ED interface.

Meso – structures and processes to support joint

Project Charter

A simple one pager to help define your project

Problem Statement Outcomes (what do you intend to achieve from this project, what are the outcomes? What will it improve? How will things (what is the current problem & why does it need to be improved?) be better? Evidence your outcomes We lack an agreed system approach to identifying, assessing and Improve joint Physical/Mental Health treating urgent mental health needs, alongside physical and social assessments and interventions at the ED needs, either prior to or on presentation at Emergency Departments. interface to decrease the number of MH This means that patients often experience long-waits in environments admissions from 6% of attendances (105 per not well suited to their needs, multiple assessments and delayed month) to the BSW average (2.88% / 50 people) transfers to appropriate care settings. within 12 months and the national average From a system perspective this leads to inefficient use of resources, (1.75% / 30 people) within 18 months. poor patient outcomes and pressures on our services and pathways. Out of Scope (what will not be In Scope (what will be covered by the project) covered by the project) **GWH ED Team** TBC **AWP Liaison Team** OH CAMHS Liaison Team Ambulance Conveyance Physical and Mental Health assessment processes Alternative interventions / offer to ED / Admissions Staff training and support Measurements (What data both qualitative and quantitative **Quality Impact** can you collect to show an improvement has been made?) Baselines (what are Target (Where (How will the project improve patient: experience, safety, outcomes, Description of they currently at prior do you want care, services or reduce risk/harm to patients?) Measure to the project?) them to be?) What are your key milestones Team (Who is your project team involved in the project?)