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Milton Keynes 
Primary Care Trust



Subject: Pooled budget for Mental Health and Learning Disabilities

Meeting: Joint Health and Social Care Board

Date of Meeting: Thursday 31st July 2003

Report of: Susie Yapp Acting Head of Integrated Commissioning

Summary

This report presents an update on the progress towards pooling budgets for Mental health and Learning Disabilities. The JHSCB is asked to agree the recommendation contained within this paper.

Position Statement

The Finance Sub-Group of the PPT commissioned Emma Henrion, District Audit to undertake a piece of work to examine the progress made towards pooling budgets in MH and LD and the outstanding work that is required to establish a robust and firm foundation on which to implement pooling.

The report has highlighted a number of areas which require additional input to enable pooling to proceed. The PPT has considered the volume of work involved and would like to make the following recommendations to the JHSCB

Recommendation

The JHSCB is asked to agree the following:

- That implementation of pooled budgets for Mental Health and Learning Disabilities be delayed until 1st April 2004
- Finance Teams to provide additional support to Service managers in the interim, to enable them to manage the budgets more effectively