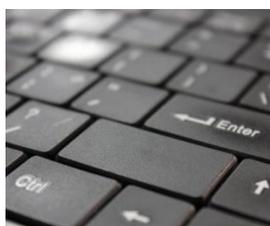


A big thank you to all pilot site staff involved in collecting data

The data collection phase for the CAMHS Payment System Pilot Project (formerly known as Payment by Results) has now drawn to a close and we are receiving the final data sets. We would like to express our great appreciation to everyone who has been involved in collection of data over the last 18 months. We know there were resource constraints and technical challenges, and we are really grateful for all of the information that services have been able to contribute.



What will happen with the submitted data?

In September, the central team will receive the final data from the secure data storage company. The first step will be to look closely at

the data quality and completeness, with regard to the four areas of information most important to this project: (i) assessment – primarily 'Current View' tool data, but also from other questionnaires; (ii) activity – as complete information as possible on the work related to each case (e.g. dates and duration of appointments); (iii) outcomes – measures completed at a minimum of two time points during a period of care; and (iv) case closure – whether each case is 'open' or 'closed' (e.g. as indicated by discharge date), and for closed cases, the case closure/discharge reason. Performing the data quality checks will allow the central team to identify the appropriate data to take forward to the analysis stage.

The main part of the analysis will be to examine in detail the relationship between particular items of assessment information, and the activity during the case (e.g. the number of sessions). This will permit

exploration of how cases can be grouped into 'clusters'. A 'cluster' can be thought of as a collection of service users who share more in common with each other than with service users in a different cluster, for example in relation to the number of sessions that comprised their period of contact with CAMHS.

December 2014 events

The Project Group will hold two events in December to share findings from the analysis and to discuss implications for contracting and paying for CAMHS, in the context of current policy developments. The planned dates for the events are 10th December in Leeds, and 11th December in London. We hope the events will be relevant to:



- Commissioners of CAMHS (e.g. from CCGs, specialised commissioning, local authorities, schools)
- Commissioning support staff
- Finance managers / directors of provider organisations
- Service managers
- CAMHS clinicians
- Service users and service user representatives
- Public health practitioners
- Health and Wellbeing Board representatives

What should I do now?

If you are interested to attend one of the events, please hold the date in your diary: 10th December in Leeds, or 11th December in London. Further details will be posted on the website and circulated to the newsletter mailing list. If you are not already signed up to the mailing list, please feel free to do so by visiting www.pbrcamhs.org.

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