

Avon & Wiltshire Mental Health Partnership NHS Trust (AWP), Adult ADHD Service, Leicestershire NHS Health Informatics Service (HIS) and Shire Pharmaceuticals Limited

Joint Working Project Summary

The AWP Adult ADHD Service, Leicestershire NHS HIS and Shire Pharmaceuticals Limited are embarking on a joint working venture to develop an Adult ADHD Outcome Assessments Mobile App. The parties have agreed that the “Project” should be undertaken in accordance with the principles and guidance relating to joint working between the NHS and the pharmaceutical industry. The Project’s primary aim is to design an App to capture health outcomes for patients under the care of the AWP Adult ADHD Service. The anticipated benefits to the Adult ADHD Outcome Assessment Mobile App are as follows:

- Improved Service User Satisfaction post implementation
- Improved decision making in treatment post implementation
- Benefits to the NHS post implementation in terms of cost savings, efficacy and efficiency
- Improved Capturing of Patient Health Outcomes post implementation
- AWP Adult ADHD Service able to prove interventions are effective on patient group as a whole
- Education for GPs, CCGs, other ADHD Services and psychiatric services

The financial commitments of both parties, AWP and Shire Pharmaceuticals Limited, are similar and significant. AWP are contributing £52,880 and Shire Pharmaceuticals Limited are contributing £60,800, meaning that AWP are providing 47% of the funding and Shire Pharmaceuticals Limited are contributing 53%. It is anticipated that the Project will commence in September 2018 and will continue for a period of at least 19 months. The Project is expected to bring benefits to the patient, AWP, Shire and Leicestershire HIS.

The objective of this Joint Working Project is to better monitor and demonstrate the clinical effectiveness of treatment. A further goal is to increase the capacity of the ADHD Service without the need for additional human resources.

It is designed to support:

- Improved Patient outcomes and the recording of treatment outcomes
- Increased clinical capacity within the team
- More effective assessment, treatment and interventions
- Training for relevant medical and non-medical practitioners, especially on the use of appropriate objective tests for ADHD including rating scales and diagnostic tools.
- Ascertaining the effectiveness of interventions
- Improved recognition of co-morbid conditions
- Improved clinician satisfaction
- Collation of practice based evidence

It is anticipated that a report on the outcomes from this joint working will be published during 2019.

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