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## Forum/Assembly Representative Feedback Report

Please provide a brief summary of meetings you have attended on behalf of the Assembly/VCSForum. This report will be used to inform the Assembly Steering Group/Forum that you represent. The information contained within it will be posted on the Bradford Assembly website [www.bradfordassembly.org.uk](http://www.bradfordassembly.org.uk). If you wish to report on something confidential, please **mark this clearly**.

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Title of the board / group you sit on	<b>Sexual Health Network</b>
Date the meeting took place	<b>26/11/2014</b>
Date of next meeting	<b>TBC</b>
Did you receive the meeting papers in time to have a pre-meeting?	<b>Yes</b>

- 1. What was the purpose of the meeting?** To update on services, particularly the HIV needs assessment, To review the structure and content of network meetings.
- 2. Main areas of discussion).**
  - There is a discrepancy in data between the Bradford Chlamydia Screening Team and the data received from CTAD, the reasons for this need to be looked at.
  - Three new sexual health nurses have been recruited and will start in January. Training will then need to happen before they are able to offer all the community services offered previously. The position of consultant in sexual health and contraception was advertised but not filled.
  - Graham Hutton has taken over from Jenny Philpott, and is now managing the PHSE team within Bradford Education
  - Update on HIV needs assessment. It is a huge piece of work, and so Prevalence and Incidence data has been prioritised. Increasing testing is a priority, and new methods will be looked into. There is concern that in the tender process sexual health and HIV have been split, which may lead to a split in services.
  - Low rates of chlamydia diagnosis, Why? Not enough tests are done, and not hitting the most at risk with testing. Models which work in different areas have been replicated without the same results.
  - Small take up of EHC at pharmacies.

- The sexual health tender is complete and a decision has been made on who the provider will be. It cannot be announced yet, as we are in a cooling off period. Concerns were expressed that it would be unsettling to staff and patients if a non NHS provider won the contract. Concern over how data would be handled was the main concern

**3. Were there any discussions or decisions which you feel you had particular impact or influence on?**

- Discussion around teenage pregnancy rates and why they are now highest in Wyke and still high in Tong. Particularly high rates amongst eastern European communities. Also discussion on why young people are not consistently accessing EHC in the pharmacies, and how there needs to be more consistency over when they offer.

**4. Issues or points for Forum/Group/sub-group and/or the wider membership to follow up**

**5. Do you require input or specialist information from other forum members?**

None.

**6. Please tell us about any additional support requirements you have in relation to your role and effectiveness.**

None

**7. Are you involved in any additional areas of work or meetings as a result of your attendance?**

- No

**8. Have you any other comments or observations?**

**There was a discussion about the future of the meetings, whether they would be better used by discussing a single issue, and how often they should meet. Some felt that three monthly was better, but not re single issue, as it would be a long time before it came up again.**

**It was agreed it would be necessary to meet to introduce the new service provider, so dates will be circulated for a January meeting.**

Please continue on a separate sheet, or overleaf if hand written

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