Benchmarking and Peer Review of PICUs Across Greater Manchester

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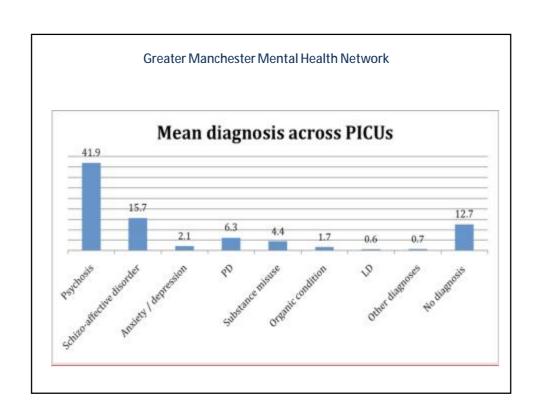
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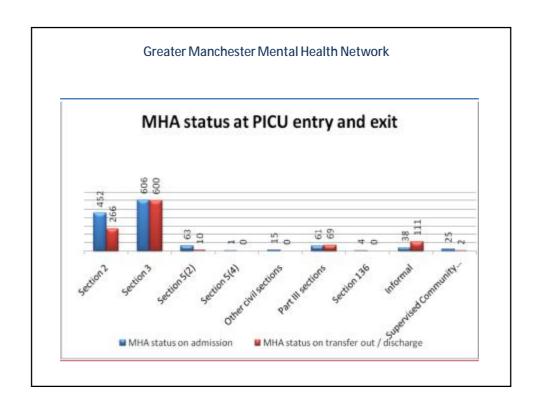
Benchmark Review

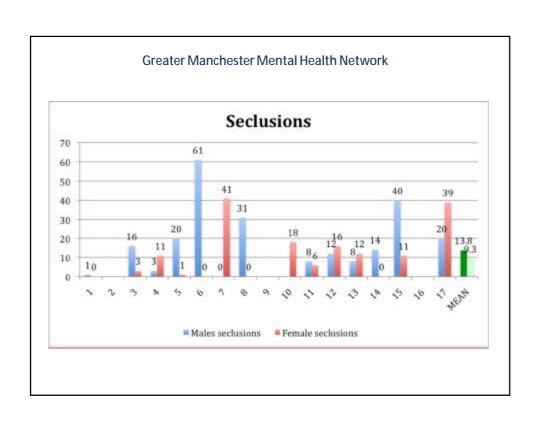
Peer Review

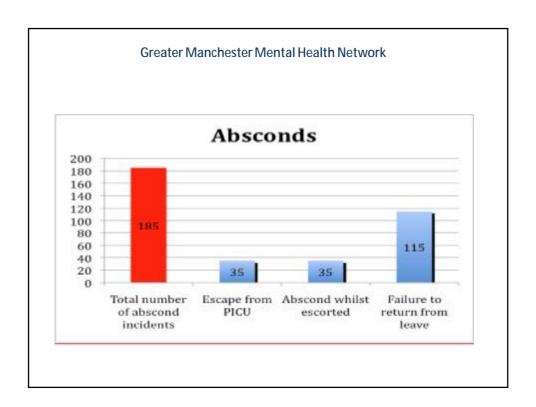
Method Benchmark Review

- Bespoke data collection tool
- Content agreed with providers and Commissioners in advance
- · Based on what could be easily obtained
- Areas include:
 - Bed numbers
 - Costs
 - Activity
 - SUIs
 - Staffing
 - Demographics
 - Clinical profiles
- · Anonymised shared with providers for sign off









Benchmark Key messages

- Wide disparity in service profiles, resources, activity and practice
- Evidence of considerable good practice
- Identified the need to Develop a network to work together and share good practice to improve services
- Repeating of aspects of the process to consolidate positive outcomes.

Peer Review Method

- Pilot undertaken, tool revised
- Governance process confirmed at each provider
- Visits undertaken
- Report produced
- Consistency, GMMHN team member
- PICU nurse and Doctor involved

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Peer Review Visits

Completion of Audit Tool through:

- Free discussion at start of visit
- Clinicians complete review of case notes
- GMMHN team member discussed with ward manager
- Doctor to doctor discussion
- Nurse to nurse discussion
- All updated environment section
- Further discussions as time allowed

Peer Review Conclusions

- Evidence of professionalism and care from all staff within the units visited.
- Developments for the future identified at each unit, individual reports produced.
- Interest in sharing good practice to be explored through the establishment of a GM PICU network.

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What our MDT thought of the process

- Improvements in practice: creating real benefits in patient care and service delivery
- Develops openness to change
- Provide assurance: we are meeting evidence-based best practice
- Listening to patients, understanding their expectations
- Minimise error or harm to patients;
- Reduce incidents/complaints

Initial Thoughts...

- Initially it was stressful for the MDT and produced mixed feelings and reactions
- Lots of information to find and collate a substantial and time consuming task
- Difference in attitudes and expectations between reviewers and the reviewed
- Made us look at hard facts eg about seclusion, violence and aggression etc..

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Initial Thoughts continued

- And this was stressful as the outcomes seemed to shift through the process as they were clarified
- But it was worth it because by the end there was consistency and transparency about the outcomes
- Some concerns that audits focus management/commissioners on compliance "scores on the doors" rather than innovation and service improvement.

It Provides focus for the MDT

on ways to change and improve and allows us to see where we are in relation to other units

In terms of

- Processes
- Practice
- Environment
- Organisation

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A critical friend?

 By taking a factual collaborative approach and not a critical or punitive one, misgivings were dispelled and this facilitated the positive outcomes.

Some Final Thoughts

- How to involve service users / carers' in future
- All patients arrive already clustered how do we then justify an expensive specialist service?
- The NMS consultation document 2012 contains no exclusion criteria (for the patient groups that reduce turnover)
- Urgent need to address poor access to rehabilitation, forensic, learning disability and specialist dementia services as patients should not spend months on a PICU

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OUTCOMES Best of all - the network

- Breaks down isolation
- Peer support
- Sharing best practice
- Helps to address misunderstanding about where General Adult PICU fits into overall service provision
- Providing a formalised structure to address common themes and concerns.

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