

TITLE OF REPORT Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment 2022	
HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD 22 nd September 2022	CLASSIFICATION: Open
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1. INTRODUCTION AND PURPOSE

1.1. The Health and Wellbeing Board has a statutory duty to produce a Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (PNA) every three years. The current deadline is 1st October 2022, and the PNA has now been produced and due to be published in advance of this date.

1.2. The report has identified no gaps in pharmaceutical services for Hackney.

2. RECOMMENDATION

2.1. The Board are asked to:

- Note that the PNA report has been produced for publication, meeting the Health and Wellbeing Board's statutory obligation to produce the Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment by 1st October 2022.
- Note that the report has identified no gaps in pharmaceutical services for Hackney.

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1. The PNA is a report of the present needs for pharmaceutical services. It is used to identify any gaps in current services or improvements that could be made in future pharmaceutical service provision. To prepare the report, data is gathered from pharmacy contractors, pharmacy users and other residents and from a range of sources (commissioners, planners and others). This includes stakeholders from neighbouring areas outside of Hackney. The report also includes a range of maps that are produced from data collected as part of the PNA process.
- 3.2. The PNA Steering Group had its first meeting on 7th October 2021. In November 2021, the Health and Wellbeing Board formally delegated authority to the steering group to produce the final report.
- 3.3. The provider, Soar Beyond, produced a full draft of the PNA in April 2022. Following this, the draft was put out for public consultation for 9 weeks between 9th May and 11th July. Comments received were then reviewed and addressed by the provider as appropriate, and included in a revised draft.
- 3.4. The steering group met for the final time in July 2022 to review and approve the revised draft, prior to Soar Beyond submitting the final version in August. The final version contains a full account of the process undertaken to produce the PNA.
- 3.5. Key findings from the Hackney PNA include:
- Hackney has 48 community pharmacies for a population of around 278,986.
 - Using current population estimates, the number of community pharmacies per 100,000 population for Hackney is currently 17.2, which has decreased slightly from 17.8 in 2018.
 - The majority (85%) of community pharmacies in Hackney are open weekday evenings (after 6 pm) and on Saturdays (83%). A number are open on Sundays (12.5%), mainly in shopping areas.
 - There is a much higher than national ratio of independent providers to multiples, providing a good choice of Hackney providers to local residents (national average is 40% independent providers versus 75% in Hackney, based on 2022 figures).
 - Provision of current pharmaceutical services and Locally Commissioned Services (LCS) are well distributed, serving all of the main population. There is excellent access to a range of services commissioned from pharmaceutical service providers. As part of this assessment no gaps have been identified in provision either now or in the future for pharmaceutical services deemed necessary by Hackney HWB.
- 3.6. The PNA will shortly be published on the Hackney website. It will be maintained with updates should circumstances change throughout the life of the document by the public health team. The next PNA will be due for publication by October 2025.

4. Proposals

- 4.1. The board is asked to note that the PNA has now been produced and the statutory duty to publish this document by 1st October 2022 has been met (Appendix 1).
- 4.2. The board is also asked to note that the PNA has identified no gaps in pharmaceutical services for Hackney.

5. Conclusion

- 5.1. The Hackney Health and Wellbeing Board has met its statutory obligation to produce the PNA, which will be maintained for the three years until the next PNA is due.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

In accordance with The Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) England Regulations 2012 publication of Background Papers used in the preparation of reports is required

Appendix 1: Hackney Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment 2022

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