

## Growing Older in Gloucestershire Action Plan

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<p>Work positively to reach the aspirations of our Better Care Fund.</p> <p>The Better Care Fund outcomes are aligned to the various schemes supporting the joint fund, for example, the Integrated Care Teams. Monitoring against BCF outcomes is an ongoing process in 2015/16 and updates will be provided throughout the year.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reduce numbers of people over 65 years in residential care</li> <li>• Reduce emergency admissions</li> <li>• Ensure people are at home 91 days after hospital discharge</li> <li>• Reduce delayed transfers of care</li> <li>• Improve service user experience</li> <li>• Improve quality of life for carers</li> </ul>	<p>These aspirations fit with many of our existing work streams, for example, integrated care teams, integrated discharge teams reablement services. Therefore, each of the leads/steering groups for these areas will contribute to our BCF outcomes.</p> <p>Mary Morgan, Interim Joint Commissioner (Older People and Better Care Fund) is the lead for BCF across health and social care.</p>

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<p>Review our arrangements for carers' assessments.</p> <p>Monthly liaison meetings with Carers Gloucestershire will be used to understand both increases in demand and how they can be addressed, alongside a review of the effectiveness of the current arrangements.</p>	<p>To ensure we meet the standards of the Care Act and support more carers in the county.</p>	<p>Louise West Outcome Manager</p>
<p>Develop the information, advice and guidance offer.</p> <p>Existing processes have been adapted to be compliant with effect from the 1<sup>st</sup> April whilst new arrangements for providing financial advice are also now in place. These will be reviewed on a quarterly basis and their effectiveness assessed against emergent regional and national good practice.</p>	<p>To ensure we make access easier and readily available</p>	<p>Fiona Jones, Outcome Manager.</p>

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<p>Train staff to work in a new way.</p> <p>Key milestones have been set throughout the year, in priority order, to ensure that staff are appropriately trained</p>	<p>To ensure that we comply with the Care Act and work to the six principles of the Council's police 'Growing Older in Gloucestershire'.</p>	<p>Angela Willis, Organisational Development Business Partner.</p>
<p>Review our Early Intervention and Prevention Plan.</p> <p>Review undertaken by the end of June 2015 with a revised plan in place by the end of September.</p>	<p>Ensure that older people in Gloucester can access support and help at an early stage that will help them to live better, more independently and remain longer in their own homes.</p>	<p>Stephen Rea Care Act Lead Early Intervention &amp; Prevention.</p>
<p>Expand our advocacy offer.</p> <p>Uptake will be monitored during the first six months of 2015/16 and any gaps addressed alongside the requirements of the guidance issued in response to the consultation on Phase 2 of the Act which is now expected in the Autumn.</p>	<p>To ensure that we comply with the Care Act and provide support to older people who have substantial difficulty navigating the care and support process.</p>	<p>Fiona Jones, Outcome Manager.</p>

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<p>Develop assessment, eligibility and support planning processes in line with new national eligibility criteria.</p> <p>Existing processes have been adapted to be compliant with effect from the 1<sup>st</sup> April. New arrangements for support planning will also now be developed over the next six months, whilst procedures to address the outcome of the consultation on Phase 2 of the Act will be progressed once further guidance is received in the Autumn.</p>	<p>To ensure that procedures are person-centred throughout, offering them the opportunity to take control and ownership of the process and outcomes of the plan.</p>	<p>Deborah Greig, Head of Adult Social Care, GCS.</p>
<p>Facilitate and shape the market for adult care and support.</p> <p>This is an on-going activity but updates will be provided as appropriate through the refreshing of our market position statements.</p>	<p>To ensure that the market meets the needs of all older people in Gloucestershire who need care and support.</p>	<p>Mark Branton, Assistant Director.</p>