

SEFTON VCFSE COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH TRANSFORMATION FUNDING EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

TRANSFORMING MENTAL HEALTH NAVIGATION IN SEFTON

OPEN FOR APPLICATIONS
JULY 5TH 2024

CLOSING DATE
JULY 22ND 2024



Mersey Care
NHS Foundation Trust

Community and Mental Health Services



Sefton CVS
Supporting Local Communities

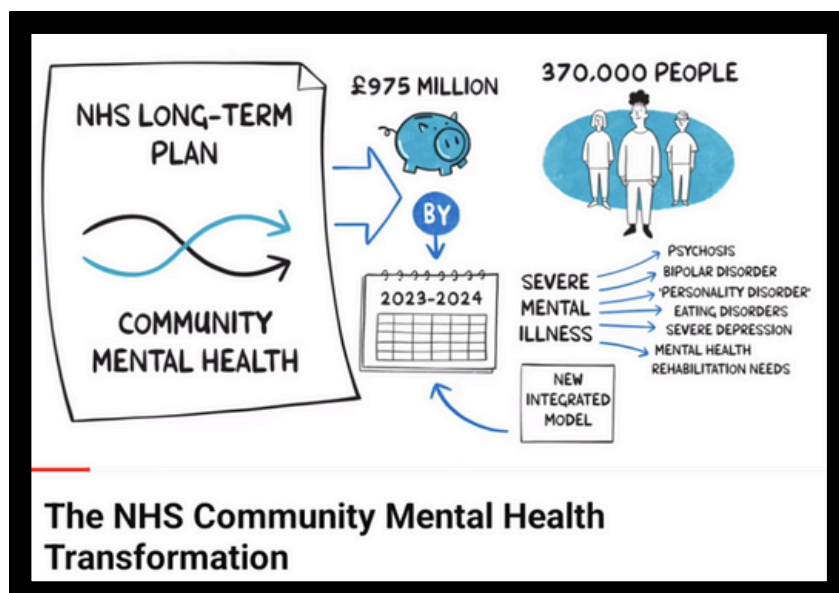
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ABOUT THE

BACKGROUND

The NHS Long Term Plan and more recently the Fuller Stocktake have highlighted the need for partnership working across both NHS and non-NHS organisations to delivery system change in Community Mental Health Transformation. Systems are required to build stronger relationships across primary and secondary services, and to involve VCSE organisations as strategic and delivery partners within new models of integrated care. Within the plan there is recognition of the need for this relationship to be underpinned by recurrent, sustainable investment.

In 2024/2025 Mersey Care NHS Trust identified £160,000 for Voluntary, Community, Faith and Social Enterprise (VCFSE) sector involvement in the design and delivery of services to transform community mental health support in Sefton. This funding is for one year with an expectation that it will continue in future years.



Sefton CVS are seeking Expression of Interest for Community Mental Health Transformation Funding projects 2024-2025

The Expression of Interest Form is available as a Word document. If you have any issues completing the EOI please contact:

MH.Navigation@seftoncvcs.org.uk

Specifically targeted at support for people who are open to Community Mental Health Teams both adults and older adult with functional mental illness, sometimes known as Severe Mental Illness (SMI), this funding **DOES NOT** address issues of crisis care, IAPT, Learning Disability /Autism/ ADHD services and Memory Services or other Dementia Care. Other funding targeting these priorities is identified in the NHS Long Term Plan.



FUNDING PRIORITIES

Putting recovery and community at the forefront of mental health support, funding for VCFSE organisations will be targeted to address unmet non-clinical needs. VCSE providers are well placed to provide support to meet the social needs of people with SMI, helping them to manage their condition move towards individualised recovery on their own terms, in their local community.

Based on an analysis of unmet need three priorities have been identified for this Community Mental Health Funding:

Priorities:

Loneliness and Isolation

Cost of Living Crisis Support

Support for Carers of people living with SMI

Loneliness and Isolation: this service will support those aged 18 years and older who are open to a secondary care CMHT/recovery team and have a diagnosis of SMI. The purpose of this service will be to support those identified to re-engage with the local community, whether this be through the commissioned VCFSE service, a partner organisation or existing support networks. These services will contribute to reducing dependence on Secondary Care services, identifying and supporting with meaningful activities.



PRIORITIES

Cost of Living Crisis: this service will support those who open to a secondary care CMHT/recovery team and have a diagnosis of SMI. The purpose of this service will be to support those who are struggling with the cost-of-living crisis with practical advice and guidance, ensuring benefit maximization, and education.

Carers specifically for those with SMI: this service will support any identified carers of service users who are open to a secondary care CMHT/recovery team and have a diagnosis of SMI. This will support them to ensure they have access to the appropriate carer's assessment; they obtain recognition for their role, and also, they are supported in accessing appropriate emotional support through carers' groups, guidance and education.

FUNDING TIMELINE



JULY 2024

Initial Expression of Interest
July 2024- Invitation to
apply -August 2024



SEPTEMBER 2024

Notification of successful
applicants



OCTOBER 2024

Mobilization to service
delivery . Service must
commence within 3 months
of notification



ELIGIBILITY

Expressions of Interest from VCFSE organisation, that are currently operating within Sefton are being sought, to deliver services that will enable people with SMI to:

- Reduce the Experience of Loneliness
- Manage Cost of Living Pressures
- Support Carers of people with a diagnosed SMI.

Applications on behalf of a partnership or consortia may include agencies that are currently not delivering in Sefton, however the lead partner must be a current delivering services in Sefton.

Successful applicants will join the existing project previously funded through Community Mental Health Transformation Funding.

Existing VCFSE Mental Health Community Transformation Services

Sean's Place

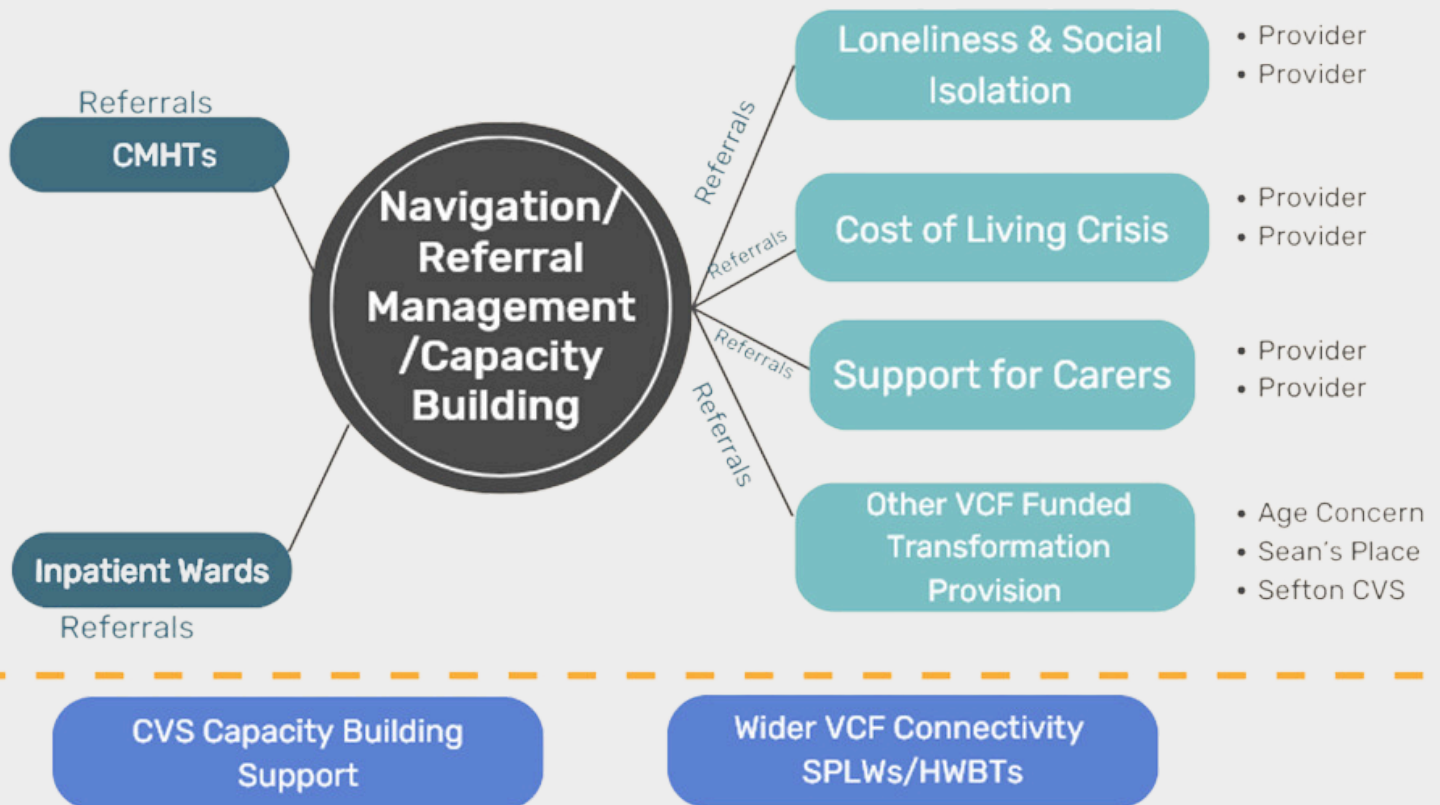
Sefton CVS High Intensity User Service

Age Concern Liverpool and Sefton

Mental Health Care Navigation

In the broadening or offer available to people living with Severe Mental illness, Sefton CVS will provide support to the successful projects through a Mental Health Care Navigator service.

Sefton CVS will provide VCF Capacity Building and Co-ordination support for those commissioned, and potentially, wider VCF organisations that are working with people who have SMI. The Navigator model provides a triaged process into commissioned services. The model builds upon Sefton CVS's existing programme of VCF support and will expand and develop the mental health support capacity across the VCFSE sector.



FUNDING ESSENTIALS

Important requirements to be consider before applying include;

This funding is only open to Voluntary Community Faith and Social Enterprise organisation currently working in Sefton

You may as part of a partnership arrangement bring in an external partners but the lead partner must already be currently in Sefton

Funding is for 12 months of service delivery although there is an expectation that this will continue beyond that time

Your project must be ready to mobilise into delivery within 3 months of notification of the award of the funds

This funding is for support for people who have a diagnosis of SMI and are open to CMHT, it is not a general wellbeing fund for people with poor mental health.

Organisations can apply for between £10,000 and £40,000 of funding, to cover a 12month period of activity.



OUTCOMES

It will be necessary to demonstrate the evidence of your interventions outputs, outcomes and impact including the social value of your activity.

it is expected that you will be able to evidence how people with SMI accessing the VCFSE provision will report positive outcomes associated with: -

- Reduced loneliness and social isolation
- Improved knowledge, and access to, practical help and support to mitigate against the effects of the Cost of Living Crisis.
- Carers of people with SMI receive a carers assessment and report improved emotional wellbeing.

SOURCES OF USEFUL INFORMATION

Introducing Community mental Health Transformation

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8x-WxYcSBo8>

The Community Mental Health Framework for Adults and Older Adults

<https://www.england.nhs.uk/publication/the-community-mental-health-framework-for-adults-and-older-adults/>

Mersey Care the role of Key Worker in Community Mental Health transformation

<https://www.merseycare.nhs.uk/role-key-worker>

Mersey Care Vision Values and Aims <https://www.merseycare.nhs.uk/visions-values-and-aims>

Sever Mental Illness Public Health Fingertips Data

<https://fingertips.phe.org.uk/profile-group/mental-health/profile/severe-mental-illness/data#page/1/gid/8000027/pat/15/par/E92000001/ati/501/are/E08000014/yr/1/cid/4/tbm/1>