

## **MAKI Locality Update for Community Planning Group – December 2014**

### **Report by Lorraine Paterson, Locality Manager – MAKI**

#### **Background and Summary**

This paper updates on issues previously reported at MAKI CPG meetings and highlights recent locality developments/issues.

#### **Report**

##### **Kintyre**

- A series of public consultation meetings have taken place across Kintyre to engage public in proposed changes to GP services, RCOP and changes in ECCT. These will continue into December.
- There has been no interest expressed in the vacant GP post in KMG.
- The vacant ECCT team lead post has been advertised internally with one application. Interviews will take place at the same time as interviews for inpatient services SCN post. Currently a member of staff is acting as team leader on a fixed term contract.
- The SCN post for inpatient services becomes vacant at the end of December. This was advertised internally with no interest expressed and has now gone external. So far there has been two informal expressions of interest and applications are expected.
- Extended community nursing team is now working to 22.00 x 7 days per week.

##### **Islay & Jura**

- From 1 November 2014, the two Islay principal GPs will be running all three Islay practices. Recruitment of two additional GPs to replace the recently retire GPs, Rhinns GP, Dr Grace Gibson and Drs Chris Abell and Sandy Taylor who job-shared one position across the three practices. Alan Beresford has been appointed Business Development Manager and is working to integrate the three practices in a gradual manner.
- Islay Hospital buildings have been reviewed by a multidisciplinary group with public representation and the optimal site to be agreed for the location of a Macmillan end of life care room and relatives' overnight room. Proposals are being considered for further development to improve the space, provision and configuration of the hospital and at the feasibility of including dental facilities in the hospital.
- Workforce development continues with more patients being able to stay for treatment on the island as a result of improved clinical skills
- Work to develop use of telemedicine is continuing to prevent unnecessary travel for patients to the mainland, by replacing some face to face consultations as appropriate with videoconference consultations.
- Recent engagement with the community continues with PPF to be held during November and December in all four satellite areas of Islay and Jura

##### **Mid Argyll**

- CHP Senior Manager and members of the Reshaping Care of Older people implementation Group attended Community Council meetings in Inveraray, Tarbert & Skipness and Ardrishaig in November to consult on the Strategic Vision around Living Well in Argyll & Bute We have delivered the questionnaire booklet and encouraged the communities to consider their needs and to highlight them using this tool. The consultation has been extended until the end of January 2015. The Community

Councils have welcomed the presentation and question/answer opportunities at these meetings and we will be attending the other local Community Councils in December

- We have closed Cara Ward in MACHICC on an interim basis due to staffing pressures. The staff and patients have moved to adjacent wards and are now settled. This situation remains under constant review.
- We had an announced Healthcare Inspection of MACHICC in July. The Inspectors have provided a report which was made public on 12 September 2014. The report has provided NHS Highland (MACHICC) with 4 recommendations and 4 requirements. All of which MACHICC has fully met and a response will be provided with evidence to the Health Environment Inspectorate
- Mid Argyll Diabetes Group is growing from strength to strength providing excellent resources, support and networking opportunities for members with input from Pat Tyrrell, Lead Nurse A&B CHP
- The recruitment process for remote and rural GP's continues with National Adverts on TV and Poster campaign on buses. The Lochgilphead Medical Practice has had some interest and have undertaken some initial informal discussions with potential candidates.