Appendix 3

Shared Outcomes, Rough Sleeper Out-of-Hospital Care Model Funding Proposal

Reference No.	
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Purpose of the proposal	This Equality Assessment supports the submission of a funding bid to DHSC and describes the potential impact of the proposed rough sleeper out of hospital care model funding bid on groups protected under the Equality Act 2010.
	The target group for the funding are individuals who are experiencing rough sleeping, or at risk of rough sleeping, to:
	 Prevent and reduce inappropriate hospital attendance and admissions Prevent and reduce hospital discharge to the street, and readmissions In the longer term, to support settled lives
	Evidence from National Institute of Health Research (NIHR) Transforming out of hospital care for people who are homeless' 2020 indicates that homelessness and rough sleeping places individuals at heightened risk of morbidity and mortality with almost one in three deaths among people who were homeless and that had experienced hospitalisation, due to causes amenable to timely and effective health care.
2. Age details:	The funding bid is specifically focussed on adults aged 18+. All interventions implemented as a result of a successful funding bid will be for adults aged 18+. Alternative pathways are in place for children and young people that are outside the scope of this funding.
3. Disability details:	The funding bid will seek to have a positive impact on individuals within scope that have multiple needs, co-occurring conditions and experience multiple disadvantage. Poor health is both a contributing factor to people becoming homeless and a result of being homeless. This includes mental and physical ill health impairments that impact their daily lives. The funding will seek to improve processes, pathways and services by testing the effectiveness on interventions. The bid will include resources to enable continuation funding for 2 x housing co-ordinators that support housing discharge from mental health as well as acute hospital settings.
4. Gender details:	The funding bid will have no adverse impact on gender as the interventions implemented will be accessible to all rough sleepers in scope.
5. Gender reassignment details:	All rough sleeper out of hospital care interventions implemented with the funding bid, will be required to be respectful and sensitive to specific needs related to this characteristic in line with The Equality Act 2010
6. Marriage and civil partnership details:	It is not anticipated that the interventions implemented within the funding bid will have an adverse impact with regard to marital status and civil partnership status.
7. Pregnancy and maternity details:	It is not anticipated that the interventions implemented within the funding bid will have an adverse impact with regard to marital status and civil partnership status.
8. Race details:	All adults 18+ who are rough sleeping regardless of race are in scope of this funding bid. All interventions implemented as a result of a successful bid will ensure that they comply with the requirements of the Equality Act 2010.

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9.	Religion or beliefs details:	It is not anticipated that the funding bid will have an adverse impact on adults because of their religion or beliefs. All interventions implemented will be respectful and sensitive to specific needs related to this characteristic
10.	Sexual orientation details:	It is not anticipated that funding bid will have an adverse impact on adults because of their sexual orientation. All interventions implemented will be respectful and sensitive to specific needs related to this characteristic.
11.	Please indicate any actions arising from completing this screening exercise.	The EA will be reviewed and amended as required. The first review of the EA will take place in March 2022. This assessment will be presented as an Appendix to the Cabinet Report, scheduled currently to go to the March 2021 Cabinet meeting. Mitigation of any identified potential adverse impact will be considered in future planning for rough sleeper out of hospital care services.
12.	What data has been collected to facilitate the assessment of this policy/proposal?	The submission template for the funding bid has not been released at the time of preparing the cabinet report. Evidence from the
13.	Consultation analysis	There has not been any external consultation about the proposals in the report.
14.	Adverse impact on any people with protected characteristics.	No adverse impact on protected characteristics has been identified through the proposal. Should the bid be unsuccessful, rough sleepers will continue to receive access to existing out of hospital care services.
15.	Could the policy/ proposal be modified to reduce or eliminate any adverse impact on any particular group(s)?	No adverse impact has been identified.
16.	How will the effect(s) of this policy/ proposal on equality be monitored?	If successful, the governance of the funding bid is through the better care programme board. Any effects of this proposal on equality will be monitored through this board.
17.	. What data is required in the future to ensure effective monitoring of this policy/proposal?	If successful, each intervention implemented will be monitored within the parameters of the outcomes expected. Data to demonstrate the outcomes have been achieved will be collected and will include timely access to hospital discharge data as well as service user protected characteristics data.
		The DHSC are producing outcome measures related to the funding bid. As the project develops and evolves, data/intelligence will be routinely monitored, and any gaps identified and addressed accordingly.
18.	Are there any adverse impacts on any particular group(s)?	No adverse impacts are identified for any group.
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19.	Initial equality impact assessment of your proposal	There are no adverse impacts. The proposal has particular relevance to age and disability as the bid stipulates the age within scope (18+) and rough sleepers who have multiple needs, co-occurring conditions and experience multiple disadvantage will fall within the definition of the disability equality duty.

20. Consulted People or Groups – consultation process	Consultation is to be undertaken to support the development of the funding proposal and identification of the interventions to be implemented. This will include consultation with LGA, NHS partner organisations, Health Exchange primary care service and Health Now (Crisis UK) Birmingham peer advocates that have lived experience of rough sleeping and homelessness.
21. Informed People or Groups	The Cabinet Members for Health and Social Care, Homes and Neighbourhoods and Finance and resources have been informed about the proposal. The Council Leadership Team and the Adult Social Care Management Team were also engaged in the process.
22. Summary and evidence of findings from your EIA	In line with the council's duty under the Equality Act 2010 the funding bid will have no adverse impact on all protected characteristics and will have relevance in terms of disability and age.