

# WORLD CLASS

## Mental Health Commissioning



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## *Our Vision*

Mental Health Strategies' vision is to facilitate and enable world class mental health commissioning in all Primary Care Trusts and Local Authorities in England.

We believe that world class mental health commissioning will achieve:

- significant improvements in mental health outcomes
- better value for public money
- greater involvement in decision making for service users, carers and communities
- stronger joint working between the NHS and its local partners, and
- efficient, effective and reliable high quality care promoting recovery and social participation.

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Our passion is to make a real and positive impact on mental health care for individuals, their carers and whole communities.

If you share our passion we would be delighted to show you how our expertise could be of assistance to you.

## Our Approach

Our approach has been developed from a rich mix of talent:

- senior managers with impressive NHS commissioning and provider backgrounds
- outstanding health and social care clinicians and practitioners in their field, and
- highly skilled analysts, Health Economists and Financial Experts.

From this great pool of experience, knowledge and skill come our consultancy model and our 'can do' approach.

We are currently working with PCTs and Local Authorities to:

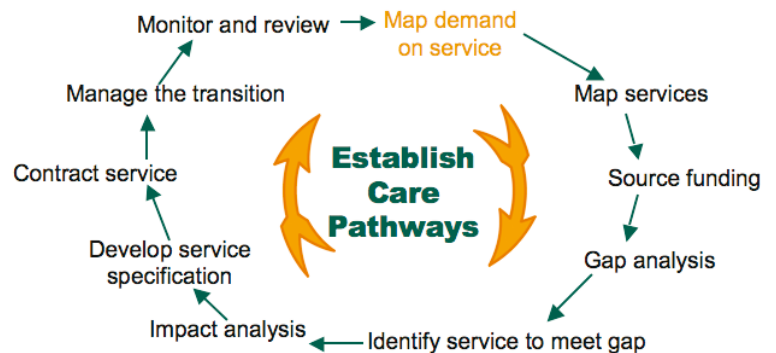
- develop effective commissioning strategies which addresses local needs and circumstances
- provide the skills and capacity to help local teams meet their most pressing challenges
- develop innovative capacity and simulation models; a key WCC competency
- assess optimum care pathways, their structure and cost, and
- develop contracting structures fit for the future.

We can design tailored solutions underpinned by our Clinical Intelligence principles and delivered in a professional, practical way that is sensitive to your needs and the needs of the health economy you serve.

We can support you in achieving the optimum blend of value for money services that best matches the health needs of your population, with a focus on stakeholder needs.

## Local Commissioning Process

Operating the strategic cycle



## Our Tools

We apply the NHS values of fair, personal, effective and safe to strategic planning and decision making. Our tools and approaches are aligned to the World Class Commissioning Competencies:

### 1. Those which apply the core requirements of world class mental health commissioning:

- Needs assessment
- Capacity planning
- Public consultation and engagement
- Care pathway design and modelling
- Service specifications

### 2. Those which respond to the unique characteristics of mental health services:

- Contract costing
- Joint commissioning
- Service redesign in partnership with Practice Based Commissioners

### 3. Those which look ahead to tomorrow's challenges:

- Performance metrics for mental health services
- User carer feedback mechanisms as an integral part of quality appraisal
- Market management and strategies for personalised budgets
- Intervening in cycles of social exclusion by commissioning for innovation and partnership