

Care Programme Approach - Eligibility Criteria

The CPA process is applied in **two tiers** according to the complexity of problems and services required, and people can move between tiers as their problems change. For people who are 16 years and over.

CPA Tier 1

- People with a diagnosis of severe, enduring mental illness or mental health problems. Diagnosis may include psychosis; severe neurosis; dementia; brain injury, or personality disorder (some enduring illnesses may be episodic).
- Plus people who have a learning disability **with** or **without** a dual diagnosis of mental illness, who are vulnerable. (A separate sheet with a fuller explanation is available if needed)

And, as well as either of the above:-

Have a range of complex health and social care needs which require ongoing care and supervision, and a co-ordinated multi agency response to their needs because of (for example):-

- A history of repeated relapse due to breakdown in medical and / or social care in the community.
- Severe social disability or accommodation difficulties (including homelessness).
- A risk to themselves, at risk from others, or are a risk to the public.

Review Meetings will be held at intervals of no more than 6 months

Severely at Risk – SAR Tier 2 - People who meet the criteria for CPA Tier 1

and

Have a tendency to serious violence or dangerous behaviour directed towards themselves or others (for example following relapse due to non-compliance) which the multi disciplinary meeting considers require additional co-ordinating arrangements and more frequent reviews than would be offered under CPA Tier 1.

Review Meetings will be held at intervals of no more than 3 months and with or without consent some information will be shared with the police relating to clients included on SAR Tier 2.

Please Note - People who are supervised in the community under the Mental Health Act or Suspension of Detention, Guardianship, or the Criminal Procedures (Scotland) Act 1995 should always be considered for Care Programme Approach.

Schizophrenia – As stated in the Standards for Schizophrenia all people with a diagnosis or suspected diagnosis of schizophrenia must be considered for inclusion on CPA. If it is agreed not to proceed with CPA the reason for this must be documented in their notes.

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