Commissioning for Better Outcomes – a route map

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Context – the Care Act

• Promotion of health and wellbeing and provision of preventative services

• The duty to carry out care and support functions with the aim of integrating services

• Access to independent advocacy

• A new duty to promote diversity and quality in the market of care and support providers
Commissioning for Better Outcomes

- Literature review
- Interviews key actors
- Development events
- ADASS workshops
- Expert review of draft standards
- Launched at conference
- Testing through peer challenge
Twelve standards
Good commissioning......

Person centred and outcomes focused

1. Is person centred and focuses on what people say matters most to them

2. Promotes health and wellbeing for all

3. Delivers social value
Good commissioning...

Inclusive

4. Is coproduced with people and their communities

5. Promotes positive engagement with providers

6. Promotes equality
Good commissioning ......

Well led

7. Is well led by Local Authorities

8. Demonstrates a whole system approach

9. Uses evidence about what works
Good commissioning is ..... 

Sustainable and diverse market

10. Ensures diversity, sustainability and quality of the market

11. Provides value for money

12. Develops the commissioner and provider workforce
Score your progress against each of the ‘what good looks like’ statements

1-2 Identified key areas for further work

3-4 Meeting some standards

5-6 Reached most standards and agreed action to address

7-8 Fully meet all standards

9-10 Planning to go further
Purpose of the standards

To support a local dynamic process of continuous improvement, to strengthen and innovate to achieve improved outcomes for people using social care, their carers, families and communities
Some wicked issues

• Commissioning for outcomes
• Financial pressures
• Personalisation and population based commissioning
• Integrated commissioning
• Co-production – an aspiration but challenging
Using the standards to drive improvement and promote best practice

• LGA peer challenge ‘offer’ - 3 pilot peer challenges to test the standards on the ground – funded by DH

• TEASC - regional SLI programmes – peer review, promoting /sharing best practice

• At an individual council level – self-assessment tool for all councils and partners
Next steps

• Promote the standards in the sector
• Agree how best to use the standards at a national, regional and local level through sector led improvement
• Ensure providers and service users are integrally involved in putting these tools into practice
• Refine and finalise standards following pilots