NHS mental health care in England is delivered by...

- 55 NHS mental health provider trusts, a quarter of all NHS trusts and foundation trusts
- who employ over 180,000 staff, including 9,000 doctors and 57,000 nurses
- and have a collective annual turnover of £11bn

1.2m people a month use NHS mental health services, with...

- 114,000 new referrals to talking and psychological therapies
- over 13,000 open ward stays in adult acute and specialised mental health services
- around 314,000 active referrals for under 19s, including over 42,000 new referrals

THE STATE OF THE MENTAL HEALTH SECTOR

- Over 50% felt they were not able to meet current demand for CAMHS and A&E services
- Only 11% of mental health providers and 8% of other NHS trust leaders were confident that local STPs will help local people with better access to mental health services
- Not even a third of mental health providers were confident that national workforce planning will deliver appropriate numbers of clinical staff to deliver services
- 80% chairs and chief executives from mental health providers are worried that funding to meet 2017/18 mandate ambitions will not be adequate

In 2017/18, 57% saw a decrease in the number of services commissioned by local authorities, 37% a decrease in third sector funding, and 22% a drop in NHS commissioning for mental health and wellbeing

Over 70% of chairs and chief executives from mental health providers expect demand for services to increase in the next six months

FIVE KEY ACTIONS

1. Realistic ambitions for what can be delivered and how within existing funding
2. Dedicated mental health funds which reach frontline services
3. A workforce strategy for mental health that is fit for purpose
4. STPs that put mental health provision front and centre
5. Commissioning approaches which support delivery of high quality services