Complaint Outcome Summary

Name of Service: ADHD Direct
Date: 8 April 2022
Complaint Case Number: CAS-01314-R0B4L0

1. Complaint Overview

We received a complaint about the following:

a) patient reviews
b) the service medicines management policy
c) the service complaints policy, and
d) the service social media policy.

2. Complaint Conclusion:

After investigating the patient’s concerns, we upheld their complaint in all four areas.

3. Complaint Requirements and Recommendations:

Requirement 1
The provider must ensure that all patient information is recorded in a single patient care record in a timely manner.

Regulation 4 (2) (a)(b)
The Healthcare Improvement Scotland (Requirements as to Independent Health Care Services) Regulations 2011

Requirement 2
The service must ensure that staff with the appropriate skills and in such numbers as are appropriate for the health, welfare and safety of service users are employed to meet the needs of the patient.

Regulation 12(a)
The Healthcare Improvement Scotland (Requirements as to Independent Health Care Services) Regulations 2011

**Recommendation a**
The service should ensure that it maintains their duty of care to patients until safely discharged from the service.

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**Recommendation b**
The service should ensure that their complaint policy is visible and easily accessible to patients and that it outlines all possible outcomes following a complaint investigation. A full complaint investigation should be carried out involving the patient if they wish. The provider should ensure that staff are trained to recognise a potential complaint when patients express any dissatisfaction with their care.

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**Recommendation c**
The service should ensure patients are able to raise a concern or complaint without negative consequences for their care.

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**Recommendation d**
The service should develop a social media policy to guide staff as to how to manage content posted by patients on social media. They should also develop written information for patients regarding the services expectations in relation to the use of social media.

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