

**West Midlands Police**

**The Bradley Report:  
The ACPO Response and  
proposed local implementation**

**Superintendent Andy Hunt  
MH Programme Manager**



**Our vision** is to reduce crime and disorder and make our communities feel safer

# The Bradley Report

- History to Bradley
- Engaged with police service at bespoke conference
- Published April 2009
- 82 recommendations across CJS
- All accepted in principle by govt



# The Bradley Report

- Neighbourhood Teams to play a role in identifying and supporting people in the community
- Police develop local joint training
- Info on MH and LD should be obtained prior to ASBO or Penalty Notice
- S 135/ S 136 SLA's and non police places of safety
- All custody suites to have Liaison and Diversion schemes
- Criminal Justice Mental Health Teams
- Explore the feasibility of transferring responsibility for healthcare in police custody suites to NHS.



# The National Response

- National Health and Criminal Justice Board
- Police Custodial Health Care Group
- NPIA products



# The Police Response

- NPIA already commissioned to develop guidance and training on Mental Ill Health and Learning Disabilities
- Offender Health, IPCC, HO sit on programme board
- Consultation with all forces and Third Sector
- NHS and Welsh Assembly will endorse the guidance
- Guidance to be published with Training and Assisted Implementation, early 2010



# Sections One and Two, Intro and Operational Guidance

- Defines mental ill health and disabilities
- Explains health roles
- Recognising the issues and how to respond to them
- Managing and sharing information
- Explaining the pathways to care developed by NHS
- Management of risk



# Section Three, Mental Health Principles

- The diversity aspects of MH& LD
- Equal Access to Justice
- Time to Change “Anti-Stigma Programme”
- Promoting social inclusion



**West Midlands Police**

# Section Four, Victims and Witnesses

- Concept of vulnerability
- Special measures
- Statements, Interviews and Witness Care
- Hate and Mate Crime



**Our vision** is to reduce crime and disorder and make our communities feel safer

# Section Five, Mental Health and Capacity Acts

- Legal powers
- Applying the Mental Capacity Act
- S136, best practice
- Conveyance
- Pre-planned requests from Approved Mental Health Practitioners
- Missing persons
- Patients presenting problems



# Section Six, Suspects and Offenders

- Utilises Bradley definition of Diversion
- Affects of PACE on mentally vulnerable
- Disposal opportunities
- Mentally Vulnerable Offender Panels
- Criminal offences in health settings
- Court Orders and sentencing



West Midlands Police

# Section Seven, Managing Police Responses

- Defines roles and responsibilities for police officers and staff
- Training
- Service User consultation
- SLA's with health and other agencies



Our vision is to reduce crime and disorder and make our communities feel safer

# Learning and Development

- General training
  - Identification of MH
  - Provide Support
  - Identify appropriate powers and responses
- Key role training
  - Student Officer, IPLDP
  - Custody
  - Firearms



# Assisted Implementation

- Define the key areas of the guidance and training that need to be achieved
- Develop an implementation support plan
- Ensure each force has a change programme to achieve the outcomes
- Share best practice
- Report back to sponsor



# National and Regional Mental Health Forums

- Commission work on the detail
- Identify good practice
- Share from lessons learned
- How to make it happen, local, regional or national
- Escalate problems to a regional or national level



# So what!

- How can Diversity practitioners support this change
- Strategic shift in relationship with health
- Vulnerable Offenders
- A better identified community
- A tolerant service

