

Securing the future for our hospital services

Humber Acute Services Review



Humber, Coast and Vale

What's it all about?

- It's about looking at how we can do things differently to get the best possible hospital services for everyone living within the Humber area.
- We are working together to develop plans for acute hospital services that are:
 - safe,
 - sustainable,
 - meet local needs.
- This may include delivering some aspects of care that are currently provided in acute hospitals outside of hospital settings to better meet peoples' needs.



What will it entail?

- The review of acute hospital provision will consider how best to organise the acute hospital services that are currently being provided on the five acute hospital sites in the Humber area:
 - Hull Royal Infirmary
 - Castle Hill Hospital
 - Diana Princess of Wales Hospital, Grimsby
 - Scunthorpe General Hospital
 - Goole Hospital
- The review will consider how to provide the best possible care for local people who need acute hospital services within the resources that are available (money, staffing and buildings).



Who is conducting the review?

- The review will involve local partners working together.
- It will be managed by a steering group, which will be chaired by NHS England.
- The review partners include:
 - Northern Lincolnshire and Goole NHS Foundation Trust
 - Hull and East Yorkshire Hospitals NHS Trust
 - Four Clinical Commissioning Groups (Hull, East Riding, North Lincolnshire and North East Lincolnshire)
- The review is also being supported by the four local Councils in the Humber area and other expert organisations including Health Education England and Public Health England, who are providing expertise and advice into the process.
- The review will make recommendations to local organisations, who will be required to make decisions about future service scenarios.



Review principles

- A commitment to provide acute hospital services that are patient-focussed, safe and sustainable, meeting the needs of our population both now and in the future.
- The service review will be clinically-led.
- The review will be evidence-based and take into account best practice.
- The review will focus on hospital services rather than hospital buildings and organisations.
- The review will be cognisant of local developments in out-of-hospital care and work towards solutions that support joined-up care across the system.



Review principles (cont.)

- A transparent, collaborative and inclusive approach will be adopted at all stages of the review process, ensuring engagement with key stakeholders from the outset.
- Plans for the future provision of acute hospital services will be developed in accordance with the levels of human, physical and financial resource expected to be available.
- Plans for the future provision will include urgent and emergency care and maternity care at Hull Royal Infirmary, Diana Princess of Wales in Grimsby and Scunthorpe General Hospitals.
- The review will be undertaken in accordance with an agreed programme plan that sets out objectives, processes, timescales and resources.



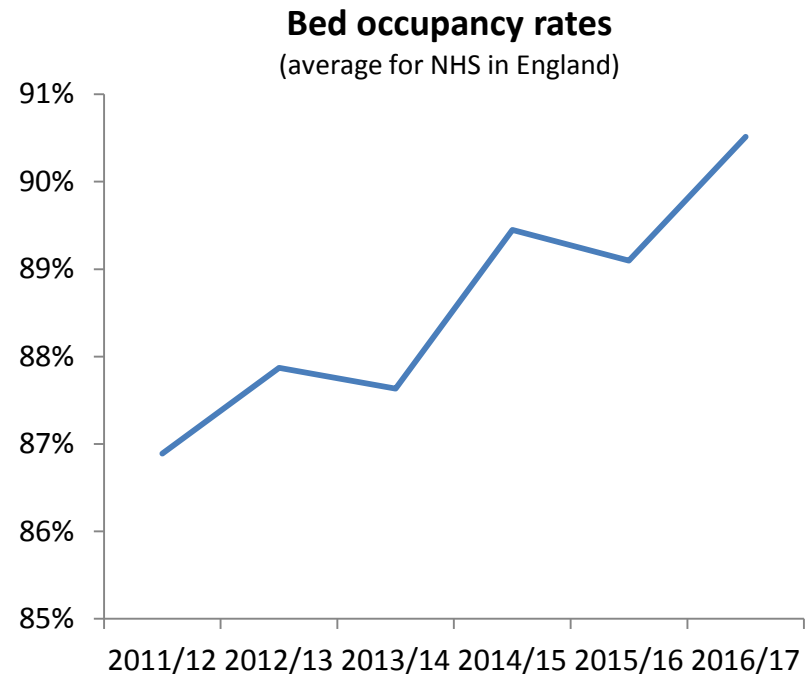
Why do we need a review?

- Healthcare is changing and we need to make sure our services are adapting to reflect new ways of working.
- Advances in medical knowledge and technology mean more services can now be provided outside of hospitals.
- It is important that we plan our future hospital services to support and make best use of new ways of working.



Why do we need a review?

- Demand for services is continuing to grow.
- In a number of clinical areas, our hospitals are struggling to keep pace with increasing patient demand.
- There are shortages in many areas of the workforce across our hospitals.
- Some clinical services are experiencing serious challenges in meeting key service standards such as waiting times and providing 24/7 cover.



When will this happen?

- Initial discussions about a small group of (three) services have begun and will continue over the coming months.
- We will discuss possible ideas for these services with patients, the public and others throughout the Spring and Summer with a view to making decisions about how they are provided in late Summer 2018.
- We will begin to discuss ideas and possibilities for a wider group of services in the Spring and envisage these discussions will continue throughout Summer and Autumn 2018.



What services are you looking at?

- We will begin by looking at a small group of “fragile” services. These are services where staffing shortages or other factors are impacting significantly on the ability of these services to operate safely and effectively in their current form and/or where temporary service changes have been put in place in order to ensure they can continue to be delivered safely.
- These service areas are:
 - Ear, Nose and Throat services (ENT)
 - Urology (care for people with problems of the urinary tract or male reproductive organs)
 - Haematology (care for people with diseases or disorders of the blood)
- We will then widen the scope of the review to look at another group of services, which will include urgent and emergency care and maternity.



How can I have my say?

- We are committed to providing opportunities for staff, patients and the public to put forward their views and ideas on the future of hospital services in their area.
- We will do this through a variety of means, including:
 - drop-in information events
 - surveys (online and face-to-face)
 - speaking to local groups and patient networks
 - recruiting a citizen's panel to support our engagement with local people
- We will publish regular updates about the programme on our website and in our newsletter and we will share these with patient groups and voluntary groups.



How can I have my say?

- Opportunities to have conversations with local people will be set up over the coming months and will be publicised on our website and through other local channels.
- If you would like to express an interest in attending an event, joining our citizen's panel or just finding out more, please get in touch:
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