

## WELCOME TO

#### **The NHS Patient Flow Conference**



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## For Each Delegate Attending Our In-Person Event Today, we will be planting 1 tree with our Key Sustainability Partner





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**THE NHS PATIENT FLOW CONFERENCE 2023** 



### **Event Chair – Opening Address**



## Professor Maureen Baker









## **SPEAKING NOW**



### I will be discussing...

"Balancing Risk and Empowering Patients in Patient Flow"

#### Ben Owens

Consultant in Emergency Medicine / UEC Division Clinical Chair ECIST Clinical Associate - Sherwood Forest Hospitals

#### Balancing Risk and Empowering Patients in Emergency Flow



#### Dr Ben Owens

Consultant in Emergency Medicine ECIST Clinical Associate

## Who can be harmed when people are admitted unnecessarily or stay longer than necessary?





Appreciating that this is a difficult one and no option is ideal care Answering as a patient. If you/your relative were in significant pain/septic/having a possible heart attack/stroke/ head injury on blood thinners etc. would you rather have/be?

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A long ambulance delay2%treated in an ED corridor30%In ED 2 to a cubicle68%

606 votes · Final results



Ben Owens @EmergMe... · 07/01/2023 ··· Follow on question. Also a poor but sadly too real choice (accepting that none of these are ok). Please RT if u answer. If you or your relative required hospital admission and were acutely sick (not ICU sick), been treated in ED & long waits for a bed would you rather be in?

An ED corridor	5%
ED 2 to a cubicle	18%
A post ED holding area	26%
Boarded 1 over on a ward	51%
276 votes · Final results	
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#### What are hospitals admissions for?





#### Problem

No more Drs/nurses/beds/social care staff



#### Alternatives

- SDEC
- Hot clinics
- Community services
- Virtual ward
- 2ww clinics
- Primary care
- Safety netting





#### "She's not safe!"



#### Falls Risk

- Each year 30% of those aged over 65,
- 40% over 80yo living in the Community
- 60% of nursing home residents will fall (Shaw 1996)
- Falls in Hospitals increases to 50 %
- Falls in Hospital higher Hip #
- The rate of falls is increased in recently hospitalised patients with risk factors for falls

#### Behaviours we see that cause harm

- Unnecessary admissions
- Delayed discharges
- Home if bloods normal
- The "reassure-ogram"
- Refusal to do a hot week/review patients
- Refusal to board/sit out/use the discharge lounge
- Refusal to offload ambulances
- OT/PT reflex

#### Language

- "I'm not happy for you to go home"
- "But you might fall"
- "She's not safe"
- Its not safe to.....
- "I'm not happy to sign him off for the stairs"
- "I'm not risking my PIN/Registration"
- "The relatives might complain"

### Drivers for these

- My patients
- I'm not responsible for ED/ambulances
- Might be sued
- Might be called to the coroner
- It's not my job
- But I can't see them and I can see the patient in front of me
- What we measure falls IC rates

#### Risk of death in hospital inpatients

- 48% of people over 85 die within one year of hospital admission
- The elderly don't fear death, they fear loss of independence
- What matters to me not what is the matter with me

### Real risk for the patients

- If you are admitted through a crowded ED you have a 43% mortality increase if admitted for 10 days or more
- If you are 80 you have a mean of 1000 days of life left – how many would you choose to have in hospital?
- Bed rest 10-20% muscle strength lost per week – admission for > 3 days can convert an independent frail person to a dependant one
- If you are over 75 and in hospital for over 2 weeks you have a 13% mortality
- If you are over 85 and admitted to hospital 42% 1 year mortality

#### Last 1000 days of life





## Why do we see process and behaviour differently to clinical treatment?





### Phrases to stop/challenge

- "I'm risk averse"
- "My risk" or "I'm not taking the risk of discharging them"
- "Back to baseline"
- "Medically fit for discharge"
- "Not safe to go home"
- "Failed physio" or "failed stairs assessment"
- "I'm not happy to sign them off as fit"
- "I'm here for my patients"

#### #NOF





### Empowering patients – dementia?

- We should not ask relatives what they want
- Our obligation is to the patient
- Asking the relative what they want puts unfair pressure on them
- If they could rewind 20 years stand at the end of the bed and see themselves now what would they want us to do?

#### What can we learn from elective care?

- Consent for bypass and give a choice
- Why not for admission/discharge?
- For surgery we accept it documented in the notes why not in emergency care



#### **Consent Form 1**

Patient agreement to investigation or treatment

#### Patient details (or printed label)

Surname			
First name		Lange I	
Date of birth			
	THE R. LEWIS CO., LANSING MICH.		

Female

Responsible consultant

Job title

Special requirements (eg. other language, communication method)

**NHS Number** 

Male

Name of proposed procedure of course of treatment include brief explanation if medical term not clear

Admission to hospital because it is "safer' than going home

#### Statement of health professional

To be filled in by health professional with appropriate knowledge of proposed procedure as specified in consent policy

I have explained the procedure to the patient. In particular, I have explained: The intended benefits: Possibly curly investigations Not falling or collepsing with noticely there to help; having time to arrange better social circumstances / care Loss of confidence; loss of muscle power; loss of mobility & confusion; increased risk of falling; risk of stion; not getting back to your own home ... ever. Serious or frequently occurring risks: loss of sleep; increased, confusion; increased acquired infection; not getting back to your own hospites Any extra procedures which may become necessary during the procedure **Blood transfusion** 

### Billy



#### Parkinson's Disease Symptoms



### **Empowering patients**

- What are the pros and cons of admission/remaining in the hospital?
- Ask the patient what matters to them vs what is the matter with them
- Document it



#### Balance

• There is no "no risk" or "safe" just "safer" or lower risk"



### How do we change this?

- Encourage staff to change the language they use, the approach to decision-making and the concepts of risk and who owns it and to empower patients.
- Liberate the ourselves from the false perception of personal risk they believe they have.
- Talk about the risks of admission/staying in
- Giving the patient the information about the risks, empowering and supporting them to make the decision they want

#### **4 patient questions**

**Do I know what is wrong with me or what is being excluded?** The diagnosis

What is going to happen now, later today and tomorrow to get me sorted out?

The plan

What do I need to achieve to get home?

The clinical criteria for discharge

*If my recovery is ideal and there is no unnecessary waiting, when should I expect to go home?* 

The expected date of discharge

### **BRAN tool for decision making**

- Pushes us to consider alternatives and to see risk as something to balance for the patient
- <u>Shared decision making Choosing Wisely UK</u>

FOUR QUESTIONS TO ASK MY CLINICIAN OR NURSE TO MAKE BETTER DECISIONS TOGETHER 1. What are the **Benefits?** 2. What are the **Risks**? 3. What are the Alternatives? 4. What if I do Nothing?



### What can we do differently?

- Talk to your teams Talk about balancing risk and system ownership – the facts
- Alternatives to admission Criteria to admit
- 4 Questions use them and ask your patients
- Give risk to the patient and look at the system risk disseminate the BRAN tool
- Clinical Early Discharge inpatient decision support tool/criteria to reside – go and walk the wards weekly do the audit



# If we risk nothing then our patients risk everything!



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## **SPEAKING NOW**



#### Mike Davidson

Care Group Manager -Medicine University Teaching Hospital Southampton Foundation Trust

#### Mark Awad

Junior Doctor Southampton General Hospital

### We will discuss...

"The Use of Technology in Improving Flow"

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## Flow Improvement - The UHS Way



January 2023

#### The challenge



The Trust was seeing unprecedented demand on our services with increased emergency department attendances, medically optimised for discharge patients and a need to treat our long waiting patients through our elective backlog. We had a significant number of Covid inpatients that we needed to treat as well as this affecting the availability of staff.

This was all at a time where our staff were stretched across escalation areas, tired from their efforts over the past 18 months and still impacted by covid related absence.

There was an immediate need to provide increased support to help our front line teams test and try new ways of working to improve staff and patient experience through this challenging period so that we can provide the care that we want to our patients.

### **Response and approach**



### What did we do to start?

- A 4 week rapid improvement programme in Dec 2021 designed to:
  - · Listen and learn from our front line teams
  - Identify current barriers and challenges to flow and discharge
  - Support ward staff to generate ideas and identify solutions to rapidly test and try new ways of working
  - Measure impact of interventions
- 20 change support staff were deployed to 40 wards
- Microsoft Teams eForms enabled real time digital feedback from patients and staff







#### Listening.....

#### to front line teams and patients



#### Listening to our ward teams

What are the biggest barriers to discharging patients?



What did we get right when supporting you to leave hospital?



What can we do to improve our current digital technology and processes?



#### What could we have done better?



#### Pareto analysis to show ideas for improvement from front line teams



### Pareto analysis to determine which parts of the discharge

#### Interventions



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#### **Interventions to test and try**



#### **Measures**

Junior doctors laptops	<ul> <li><average li="" pulled="" through<="" time="" tto's=""> <li><average completed<="" hmr="" li="" time=""> <li><average diagnostics="" li="" requested<="" time=""> <li>Balancing measures: Time from TTO requested to TTO ready, volume diagnostics requested</li> </average></li></average></li></average></li></ul>
HMR hit squad & drop off / Ward based DR	<ul> <li><average li="" pulled="" through<="" time="" tto's=""> <li><average completed<="" hmr="" li="" time=""> </average></li></average></li></ul>
TTO tracker	<ul> <li>Average time TTO's requested, completed, delivered</li> </ul>
FP10 prescribing / pre-packs	<ul> <li><average discharged="" from="" li="" patients="" time="" ward<=""> <li>Volume FP10's offered, accepted, given</li> </average></li></ul>

### Impact



#### **Junior doctor laptop intervention**

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Diagnostic test requests happened earlier - during ward round and on the go



The time of day diagnostic tests are being requested has moved earlier in the day with the introduction of laptops for junior doctors

#### **Junior doctor laptop intervention**



TTO requests and HMR singed earlier in the day



The time of day TTO's are being requested and HMR's signed requested has moved earlier in the day with the introduction of laptops for junior doctors

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#### **Junior doctor laptop intervention**





Checking for sustainability....

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#### **Junior doctor laptop intervention**





Ward

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Name	Change in TTO Added Hr	Discharges
Maryam Al-Ezairej	-6 🔸	21
Nazish Javid	-6 🔸	3
Andrew Standing	-5 🔶	3
Victoria Beraud	-4 🔸	2
William Knibbs	-4 🔸	12
Alexander Lee	-3 🔶	7
Asha Nair Unnikrishnan	-2 🖖	29
James Dias	-2 🔸	23
Maimoona Zaheer	-2 🔸	31
Mohamed Abouelasaad	-2 🖖	6
Mohammed Dibas	-2 🕹	4

Name	Change in Signed Hr	Discharges	^
Mian Ahmed	-7 🔸	3	
Alexander Lee	-7 🔸	7	
Bianca Atena Panait	-5 🔸	11	
Nazish Javid	-5 🔸	3	
Victoria Beraud	-5 🔸	2	
William Knibbs	-5 🔸	12	
Asha Nair Unnikrishnan	-4 🖖	29	
Musa Absi	-4 🔶	3	
Mohammed Dibas	-3 🔸	4	
Maryam Al-Ezairej	-3 🔸	21	
Jessica Larwood	-2 🖖	38	~
Neha Datta	-2 🍁	11	

Drs with earlier diagnostic request hours (DIAGNOSTICS)



Name	Change in Req Hr	Requests
Ben Glover	-10 🕹	31
Nazish Javid	-7 🔶	173
Olivia Cox	-7 🔶	43
Callum Robins	-4 🖖	340
Victoria Beraud	-4 🔸	51
Nazek Abuhalaweh	-3 🔶	42
Peter Garus	-3 🔶	19
Chinaza Nwachukwu	-3 🔶	190
Kessaven Abayalingam	-2 🖖	185
Matthew Baldry	-2 🔶	201
Amar Mohammed Ali	-1 🖖	238
Bianca Atena Panait	-1 🔶	111
Bogdan Ciupe	-1 🖖	64
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Using data in a fun way to motivate change in behaviour

The bigger the fish, the bigger the improvement

### How did it feel for junior doctors?

Has having your own laptop improved your work flow?



Yes No

44

39

40

50

21

TTO pulled through to HMR

HMR written

HMR signed

Other

Diagnostic requests

4. Which tasks are you able to complete earlier in the day as a result of having a laptop? More Details Ward rounds are faster and easier as we no longer have to wait to 'find' an empty computer space, and we can request things or do discharge summaries etc as we go which makes the day flow smoother and easier.

If the Trust doesn't wish to continue this initiative I will (somewhat sadly) happily sacrifice an appropriate amount of salary to continue having a laptop as it makes a real difference to my job. Able to do requests for bloods/changes to prescriptions as we have gone around the ward round, even whilst waiting in a queue for a parking permit!

The laptops have also allowed myself and other juniors I know to transition to solely using the electronic list, rather than faffing around printing a paper one

Has drastically improved workflow and significantly reduced delay in juniors leaving work late every day.

### Learning





### **Building on our learning in 2022**



#### Workstreams 2022 University Hospital Southampton NHS Foundation Trust Care group and Central oversight of current performance Bed managers The role of site Patient support hub – what more can they do to help with the right resource MADE as BAU **Operational roles and** Ward level improvement plan responsibilities Therapy transformation Mindset shift: what will prevent this patient Escalation going, what do I need to do to support discharge Live bed state Inter-ward communication Bed management Ward rhythm / pattern of the day Discharge planning / time for tomorrow **Operational process** Inter-ward communication Pharmacy Myth busting LLOS CtR Digital Discharge to assess Live data to inform decisions Medical model Manging choice Admission avoidance Measuring improvement **Operational insight** Models of care Performance management First 12 hours How can IT do the hard work for us? Urgent care village **Effective communication** Education and engagement – common language for all teams Describe not prescribe onwards care needs Communication with system partners

NHS

#### What have we achieved this year....



40% ambulatory surgery patients (9) More patients have avoided admission 51% Specialty SDEC (37) 50%% Urology direct (40) More patients leaving hospital 10% increase in weekly discharge 7.4% reduction in P0 LoS More patients leaving hospital sooner 3136 Bed days saved £941,039.28 NCR saving (3:1 ROI)



#### What will our focus be for 2023



Operational process

MOFD processes

**Operational insight** 

MOFD improvement sustainability plan



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### Thank you for listening

### Any Questions....?



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# MORNING BREAK, NETWORKING & REFRESHMENTS



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## **Event Chair – Chair Morning Reflection**



## Professor Maureen Baker CBE



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## UP NEXT...









## **SPEAKING NOW**



#### Dr Murray Ellender

GP and Co-Founder eConsult

## I will be discussing...

"eConsult Health - Digital triage to improve flow in the Emergency Department"


**Digital Triage to Improve Flow in the Emergency Department** Patient Flow Conference

Dr Murray Ellender FRCGP MRCEM 9<sup>th</sup> February 2023













## eConsult Health Experts in digital triage

Primary Care 2,700+ practices 25m patients 33m+ eConsults Urgent and Emergency Care 10 EDs or UTCs 700,000+ eTriages Live in 5 more by mid 2023

Outpatients 2 Trusts 40 Specialties Partnership with Mid & South Essex NHS Trust





# Founded in one practice in the NHS in 2014, eConsult is now live in over 2,700 GP practices and 10 Trusts across the UK



# **Primary care**



## Patient flow through eConsult in Primary Care

1m online consultations/month and >33m processed to date



## **Digital door into the general practice**

Breaks down to four elements



experience



### Launched in 2022: A smart eConsult inbox

### **Smart Inbox**

Feature packed AI driven inbox optimised for triage speed and accuracy



#### eHub

Federated models enabled by our Smart Inbox for managing demand at scale





## **Urgent care**



## eTriage – intelligent triage for the Emergency Department



## Pressure points in the patient journey



- Queue
- Non-clinical
- Reluctance in sharing clinical info
- Unless identified by reception, timings are static
- No clinical overview

- Manually capture history, observations and ECDS (Emergency Care Data Set - national mandatory data)
- Data capture may be inconsistent
- Potential for repetition
- First point where waiting times are considered based on need



## The patient journey using eTriage:



#### How can we help?

Book in by answering a few quick questions about your problem





Medical
Majors
Majors/ minors
Minors/UCC/redirection
Pharmacy/GP/home

Digital check-in, history take, ECDS capture, and triage

Automated risk stratification P1-P5 Route to appropriate care

- No queues
- Consistent data capture (including ECDS)
- Patient involvement and dignity is respected
- Check-in and triage = 5 min
- Triage is clinically validated and standardised
- Data deposited directly to the EPR system

- Clinical overview of the waiting room
- Patients can be assessed based on acuity
- Triage nurse validates history and captures observations
- Direct patient to most appropriate care setting
- Can be customised to local workflows (Covid zones etc)
- Improvements in KPIs



## eTriage within a Patient Tracker List



e consult

## **Customer implementation**

- Consultative approach
- Supporting change management
- Baseline data studies
- Qualitative patient experience studies
- Baseline data to compare against KPIs
- Quarterly reviews and weekly data dashboards





### Homerton University Hospital, London Emergency Department









### Homerton University Hospital Emergency Department

#### **Improved Flow**

Elimination of front door queues and reduced time *to check-in* 

14% time saving *in triage assessment* 

Straight to investigations *e.g. minor injuries to X-ray* 

#### **Better use of clinical resources**

Reallocation of staff *Senior nurses moved from screening role, waiting room nurse reallocated back to floor* 

#### Improved quality of care

Clinical visibility *of waiting room (undifferentiated > differentiated)* 100% of staff *felt eTriage had a positive effect on patient flow and safety* Better quality of information *enables faster triage and frees up clinical time*  *92% of patients felt their privacy improved when using eTriage* 



### Full report coming soon

# **Specialist care**



## eConsult Specialist

# Reducing waiting lists by improving patient pathways



## Outpatient triage and waiting list reduction solution

#### **Benefits**



Identification and removal of unnecessary or inappropriate appointments (referral triage, pre-appointment, PIFU)



Optimisation of clinics themselves (DNA rate reduction, gathering history up front)



Enabling workforce delivery across geographies (remote consultation, networks)

#### Significant waiting list and DNA reduction

## **Traditional patient flow**





## eConsult enhanced patient flow





# Mid and South Essex Foundation Trust

**Gastro and MSK teams** 

One Gastro consultant saved over 33 clinical hours in 6 weeks

Potential saving of £12,000 per consultant per year

e consult

*Teams report ability to make better clinical decisions* 



*eConsult is proving an excellent tool. It takes 3 seconds to send out the questions* 

Christian Tam, Clinical Specialist Physiotherapist/ CATS Manager

# University Hospital of Wales

#### **Acne Clinic Pre-screening questionnaires**



DNA rate 40% to near zero Waiting list from 22 yrs to 10



I'm not aware of any other quality improvement implementation to date in our Health Board that yields such marked efficiency savings.

Dr K Alden

## **Christian Tam** Trauma & Orthopaedics/MSK - Senior physiotherapist

I was super impressed by how **easy** it is **to send questions to patients** and how easy it is **for them to respond**. The fact that their response is sent to us immediately with [Start Back for Spine] risk scores calculated and an indication of high/medium/low is brilliant.

...this **will save minutes from each referral** which really adds up. It might seem minor, but I'm so pleased with this ability and the difference it will make for us.

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## **Specialist content created by NHS trusts**



Passed through eConsult's tried and tested Clinical Governance process

40 specialties commissioned across England and Wales



Implementation with existing specialties



**Innovation partnership** 

- > Consultative approach
- Supporting change management
- ➤ Governance sign off
- Baseline data to compare with KPIs
- Co-design with lead clinicians
- ➤ Clinical QA



## The future





Primary Care > Urgent Care e.g. Route into Clinical Assessment Service



Urgent Care > Primary Care e.g. P5 redirects

### **Project Butterfly: Digital eco-system**





Primary Care Specialist Care e.g. 2 week wait cancer direct referral



Urgent Care Specialist Care e.g. Same day emergency care routing



### Any questions....?

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#### Clinton F Schick

#### Chief Executive Strata Health

#### Charlotte Howard

Hospital Discharge Lead Blackpool Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

## We will discuss...

"Your Patient Flow -Faster: Leveraging Digital Tools to Recover Productivity and Improve Whole System Flow"



### Your Patient Flow – Faster

A single referral system across the ICS

Leveraging Digital Tools to Recover Productivity and Improve Whole System Flow



Strata Health

A global footprint across the Commonwealth, the United States & New Zealand

## HSJ: 2 in 5 (40%) ICS's do not have a Digital Strategy\*

- Best to take time, define a well suited strategy and get it right
- *NHSE's Transformation Directorate* aims to help recover performance in emergency and elective care via IT

## "ICSs "need to understand" the flow of patients across their system"

Adam Lavington, director of digital transformation at Hertfordshire and West Essex Integrated Care Board



### High-level LOGIC MODEL: Strata PathWays<sup>™</sup> joins up patient transitions across the ICS



Also: Strata connects systems, produces matching and decision logic algorithms and digitally assists staff via RPA

From a Patient Centric view: Each patient transition has a digitized a workflow: frontline staff deliver better care, to the right place, swiftly and consistently (audited)







## The Fylde Coast's Integrated Discharge Journey

> Charlotte Howard

Hospital Discharge Lead

Emma Morrison Clinical Lead

Caring • Safe • Respectful








#### Where we were

736 G&A beds

Evaluation of current discharge services

Confusion regarding remits & responsibilities

Inefficient processes & unnecessary delays

No collaboration between Health & Social Care



#### What We Did

Blackpool Teaching Hospitals

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Stakeholder workshops

Single Point of Discharge (SPoD)

Combine Health & Social Care Resources

Integrated team of experts

Trusted assessors for discharge services

Strata to support digitalisation of pathways

#### **Initial Outcomes**



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#### Transfer of Care Hub (TOCH)



Discharge	Triage Team	Complex Case	Residential
Facilitators		Nurses	Finding Services
Criteria to Reside Team	Home First	Homeless Link Workers	Patient Flow/Bed Managers/Site Matrons
Early Supported	Outreach	Transfer of Care	Clifton
Discharge		Ward	Rehabilitation



#### **Future Developments**

Blackpool Teaching Hospitals

Steps up/admission avoidance Mental Health Liaison Nurse Discharge Quality Matron Aim 16 Home First discharges per day Enhance links with Virtual Wards, SDEC, Frailty

Out of area pathways





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# **Placeholder Slides**



Reduce hospital occupancy <92%

Self-referral where GP not necessary

Increase capacity in beds / resource (downstream)

ToC Hubs & Interoperability to aid workforce



- ✓ Optimise System Capacity
- ✓ Improve Patient Outcomes
- ✓ Reduce Clinical Wait Lists
- ✓ Optimise Downstream Capacity
- ✓ Stop Inappropriate eRS referrals
- ✓ Enable 80/20 Rule on Triage
- ✓ Better System Flow



01

02

03

04

### Reduce overall hospital occupancy <92%

Implement D2A; leverage system-wide access, placement and utilisation to reduce DTOC and achieve target occupancy.





01

## 02

### Self referrals, if GP intervention not clinically necessary

- NHS 111 is evolving to enable actual referrals to either ED or urgent 2h in community new BaRs compliance will make this happen
- Strata's patient portal (Ontario, Canada) allows self-referrals to be efficiently triaged and followed up across Pathways 0,1,2,3



"Strata's technology has enabled us to fill the access gap by creating better connections between health systems and psychologists and faster, more accurate referrals for people with mental health needs. People seeking treatment deserve to receive the right care the first time; with Strata Health, we deliver."

- Richard Morrison CEO, Ontario Psychological Association

### Increase capacity in community resource (beds)

• Strata enables real-time access to capacity within the community. How many services in your area are unknown (red)



"Clearly there are too many – hence the fundamental problem for hospital staff to support discharge planning. There needs to be one single point of access to support discharge planning navigation" - Consultant Geriatrician



03

### Matching RPA – key to reducing DTOC & re-admissions

 Is a vacant beds enough information – as we certain the resources fits patient need?

We need the DATA about the DATA for resource allocation and effective transfers of care





03



### Matching RPA & interoperability supporting Transfer of Care Hubs - patient flow at the core!

Logistical referral data / metadata

Primary Care

Community

Social Can

3rd Secto Mental health

Acute





### **NHS** Blackpool Teaching Hospitals

### Case Study:

Peer Review: Single Point of Discharge

- The Trust provides a range of acute services to the 352,000 population of the Fylde coast health economy and the estimated 18 million visitors to the seaside town of Blackpool. Since April 1, 2012, the Trust also provides a wide range of community health services to the 445,000 residents of Blackpool, Fylde, Wyre and North Lancashire.
- The Trust is a provider of specialist tertiary care for Cardiac and Haematology services across this region.















BlackpoolCouncil

### Hospital Wide SPOD Peer Report

- Reduction of 4.1 days in LOS
- Increase utilization on ALL downstream services (load balanced)
- Reduced DTOC
- 50% increase in Home First (D2A and PW0)
- Response time <2hrs vs 24hrs+

#### Load balance downstream resources

Table 1:	% Distributio	n of Referrals
Service	Pre-SPoD	Post SPoD
Clifton	(78%)	22%
ARC	2%	3%
Thornton House	1%	2%
ESD	5%	3%
Home 1st	14%	21%
Social Services (HDT & Community SW)	N/A	44%
Other	N/A	5%



**Charlotte Hamer** Assistant Lead for Hospital Discharge Service Service Lead SPOD Physiotherapist

Table 2	LOS at B	VH (days)
Service	Pre-SPoD	Post SPoD
Clifton	29.7	13.8
ARC	10.6	16.5
Thornton House	21.0	15.7
ESD	22.7	14.0
Home 1st	12.0	13.9
Social Services (HDT &		
Community SW)	N/A	16.5
All pathways combined	19.2	(15.1)

### Where We Typically Start: Many Systems, Many Workflows





### To a Single eReferral platform: linking 'data orchestration <u>& workflow</u>'

- Orchestrate data between desperate EPR's/HIE's (handshake API to API)
- Enable a bespoke <u>dynamic</u> minimum data set to flow across the 'system'
- Link primary, secondary, community, local authority and 3<sup>rd</sup> sector





### To a Single eReferral platform: linking 'data orchestration <u>& workflow</u>'

- Workflow & real-time capacity metadata
- Bi-directional flow, updates, alerts
- RPA to enable administrative efficiency



EPR, PAS, SCR, HIE





Any-to-Any system flow: Best practice underpinned by Strata



# Each patient transition has a digitized a workflow: Frontline staff deliver better care, to the right place, swiftly and consistently (audited)



Now also integrated with <u>NHS eRS to enable triage</u>, and NHS <u>BaRS</u> to enable added workflow optimisation with <u>111 and ED</u>





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# **SPEAKING NOW**



# I will be discussing...

"Balancing Patient Care and Service Demand with Flow Management"

Katy Cain

UK Chief Nursing Information Officer Alcidion



# Balancing Patient Care and Service Demand with Flow Management

Alcidion 9 February 2023



### **About Alcidion**

- ASX listed health informatics company
- Exclusive focus on healthcare technology
- 100 clinical system implementations
- 75+ complex system integrations
- 15+ years' experience
- Leading edge, open standards platform & clinical application provider

40 Clients 132 Hospitals

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### **Challenges We Seek to Address**



#### **Designed for Modern Healthcare**

- Highly interoperable, built on open standards
- Designed to be an active participant in health care, not just a passive data store
  - Pathway Automation
  - Real-time CDS
- Adapts to different specialties and care settings
- Mobility for workflow integration
- A platform for safe innovation

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### **The Problem**

# • Waiting list for UK treatment could reach 13 million in 2022, ~3x pre-pandemic level Economist Intelligence Unit, 2021

Funding allocated to tackle waiting lists

#### Answer = Patient Flow Management



The grant for the trusts will help improve digital and data solutions in the roll-out of a national programme.



NHS tech priorities for 2022: "digital innovation will remain front and centre"



Sunak confirms £2.1bn for NHS technology for more 'connected' hospitals



NHS England sets out digital priorities in latest planning guidance

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NHS England has revealed its digital priorities for the year ahead as part of a large publication which sets out planning guidance for 2022/23.



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CASH INJECTION NHS gets £5.9bn booster shot in Budget to tackle record waiting lists

#### Rishi Sunak to announce almost £6bn to tackle England's record NHS waiting list

Chancellor to unveil plans in budget as number of people waiting for hospital treatment reaches 5.7 million



aiting list is now rising by about 100,000 a month as more people who did not seek or t access NHS treatment over the past 18 months visit a GP and are referred to hospital. aph: Peter Byrne/PA





### And local challenges . . .

- Manually collected & maintained information
- Only available in one place

   not shared with other systems
- Leads to inefficient patient journeys & unnecessary increases in patient length of stay
- Making great care first time harder

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### What is Patient Flow & what is important?

- What is Patient Flow?
  - Moving patients seamlessly around the entire system, not just the organisation
  - Improving flow, reducing length of stay, increasing satisfaction
  - Minimise manual data entry & duplication; remove phone calls & paper
- What's important?
  - Breaking down the walls of a hospital
  - View of the system across a region
  - Flow from ambulatory care through ED to inpatient to discharge
  - Identification & management of high-risk cohorts
  - Introducing new ways of working (virtual care, remote monitoring)





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### Miya Access

- Interactive user interface
- Enables pro-active allocation of patients to beds
- Provides current and projected occupancy aiding demand management
- Online bed requests promote capture of relevant information meaning allocation and capacity management is better aligned with clinical need.

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### **Miya Command**

- Dashboard to support operational decisions on capacity and flow.
- Real-time visualisation highlighting constraints in capacity
- Status indicators providing visual cues to highlight areas of potential over and under utilisation.
- Information supports all patient movements and episodes of care by utilising feeds from PAS, Miya Flow and Miya Access

Examples of Miya Command Realtime dashboards :-

- Executive summary
- Hospital at a Glance
- Ward Snapshots
- Flow Trails





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## **SPEAKING NOW**



### I will be discussing...

"Enabling Patient Flow form Hospital To Community (and back again!)"

#### Lorenzo Gordon

Director & Co-Founder Tech in Care

## Enabling Patient Flow From Hospital To Community

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LORENZO GORDON - DIRECTOR - TECH IN CARE



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### Hospital to Home - Discharge to Assess

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### Hospital to Home - Discharge to Assess

- Single version of the truth
- Released acute bed nights
- Email/SMS notifications

- Improved speed of discharge
- Clear communication





### Hospital to Home - Discharge to Assess



Administration reduction



Local authority administration saving per D2A

Bed night saved every 2 D2A's

Saving of Acute Bed provision per D2A

**1 £200** 





### Hospital to Home - Intermediate Care







### Hospital to Home - Interoperability



- Bespoke EPRs
- Partner Programmes:
  - Cerner
  - Liquid Logic
  - Epic
  - SystmOne
- Interoperability opportunity for all H2H customers, both current and prospective





### Hospital to Home - Interoperability

#### An Offer

- 3 spaces for organisations to work with us to address their interoperability challenges
- First come, first served
- Get in touch:

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# NETWORKING & LUNCH



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### **Event Chair – Chair Afternoon Address**



## Professor Maureen Baker CBE







## **SPEAKING NOW**



### I will be discussing...

"Population Health Management Implementation: From Statistics to Transformation"

#### David Sgorbati

Chief Analyst Health Economics Unit





### Hello, My Name Is David

- I work at the Health Economics Unit
  - Part of Midlands and Lancashire CSU
  - Data scientists, data engineers, and health economists
  - · Work with NHS, academia, and commercial sector
- I'm David
  - I'm a computer scientist
  - Start-up and NHS experience
  - I love my job



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#### Health Economics Unit

#### **Population Health Management**

- PHM is a set of frameworks and techniques which focus our planning on wider determinants of health
- It requires us to look at the healthy population, addressing inequalities in care and intervening more actively to promote wellbeing and prevent ill health, and focus on best use of resources



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■health behaviors ■social and economic factors ■physical environment ■clinical care



#### The PHM Cycle

#### PHM can be illustrated as an ongoing cycle of intelligence-led care design



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#### **Population Segmentation**

- Health metrics can often be adequately described by summary statistics
- However, the usefulness of summary statistics decreases as the complexity of a system and/or group increases
- Widely used in marketing as part of Segmentation → Targeting → Positioning strategies



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#### Health Economics Unit

#### **Risk Stratification**

- The goal of risk stratification is to segment patients into distinct groups of similar complexity and care needs
- · Risk stratification enables providers to identify the right level of care and services for distinct subgroups of patients
- At the individual level, a patient's risk • category is the first step towards planning, developing, and implementing a personalised care plan



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### Sometimes We Talk A Lot and Say Very Little

- Deprivation is routinely discussed as a factor in poor health outcomes
- Summary statistics and predictive modelling will consistently show how people living in the most deprived areas are more likely to be ill and die earlier than people living in the most affluent areas
- But is this helpful?



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#### Sometimes We Look at Our Maths Upside Down

- Instinct: to put a lot of resources towards
   the patients at highest risk
- Practice shows this doesn't work, as that's not always where the opportunity to make a difference is
- What's the missing piece of the puzzle?

Risk of event over

time



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### Why Does This Not Work?



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### Impactibility Modelling - Definitions

- Impactibility is the likelihood that a patient will respond to an intervention and be willing to take part
- Impactibility analysis is a method of evaluating health interventions by measuring patients' responsiveness to said interventions



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### Impactibility Modelling Techniques

Annual Checklis

☑ Cancer-sere
 ☑ Dental-visit
 ☑ Flu-vaccine

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- Approaches to impactibility modelling include:
  - · Health conditions amenable to preventive care
  - Health needs/gap analysis
  - Behavioural response models
  - Propensity to succeed models
  - Mediation analysis
  - Panel data regression



#### Are We There Yet?



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### **Complex Adaptive System**

- The health and social care system is big and complex, with too many components to model precisely and dynamic non-linear interactions
- A lot of history, which influences our beliefs, behaviours, and choices
- The system components take relatively simple actions with partial knowledge of their consequences
- Different parts of the system have vastly different ability to adapt to change



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#### Sociotechnical Approach

- Recognise unexpected behaviours will arise when parts of the system interact with new technologies
- Predicting the outcome of actions is challenging
- Reaching organizational objectives is not in the hands of any part of the system



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#### **Problem Structuring and Decision Conferences**



Decision conferencing is a way of
"helping a group of key players to
resolve important issues in their
organization by working together, under
the guidance of an impartial facilitator"
Rely on impartial facilitation

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- · Evidence-driven when appropriate
- Problem structuring
  - Define the problem and scope
  - Define the key players
  - Define how the process will be taken forward following the project



#### I Hope You Enjoyed This Session



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## **SPEAKING NOW**



#### **David Thorne**

Director Well Up North PCN

### I will be discussing...

"The Importance of Technology and Processes Reducing Urgent Care in Cardiology - How Devices like Zio could help"



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## **SPEAKING NOW**



### I will be discussing...

"Acute Hospital Care in the Front Room"

#### **Ruth Williams**

Head of Intermediate Care Sandwell Place





Sandwell and West Birmingham

## Acute Medicine in the Front Room

Ruth Williams, Head of Intermediate Care, Sandwell Place

on behalf of

Dr Sarb Clare, Deputy Medical Director, SWBT Integrated Care Services, SWBT Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council


#### ICSs cover areas with varying levels of deprivation

The percentage of neighbourhoods (LSOAs) in each deprivation quintile in each ICS

📕 1 (most deprived) 📕 2 📕 3 📕 4 📕 5 (least deprived)



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## Mrs Kaur has had a fall





sends out Zee from the UCR 2 Falls team





### UCR2 Assessment

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Mrs Kaur has capacity and wants to stay at home in her bungalow.

**Usually** formal carers 2 x 1, walks with a frame, no other adaptive equipment. Family live in same town and work full time.

Now unable to stand and walk, incontinent, not orientated, feels very fatigued PMH: HTN CKD3 HFePEF (BNP 1300+ 2021, recent 2/2/23 is 474) PAF MR ILD Falls

**History of Presenting Complaint** Both legs have been swelling in last few weeks despite taking furosemide 20mg x OD, more SOB than usual

Vital Signs BP 160/96, P 72, RR 22, Temp 35.6, SPo2 99% on air



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## **Epicentre Hospital at Home**

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Mel, ACP, contacts Community Heart Failure Team who advise they are concerned about starting diuretic treatment with current renal function. Mel contacts Dr Hagir in Epicentre for advice. Hospital at Home visit arranged with Acute Medicine Registrar and Community Nurse from UCR team.

**POCT Bloods:** 

#### **POCUS:**

Assessment Findings: Treat as CCF (mild decompensation as not grossly SOB) / some element of ILD contributing too. AKI on CKD3

#### Plan:

Patient explained risk/benefits of treatment at home including can die. Arrange for scales at home via Virtual Ward Fluid restrict as currently doing 1-1.5 lit/day max IV canula inserted & IV furosemide 50mg x stat given ......



## Wrap around offer

- Equipment from Joint Equipment Stores
- 72 hour wrap via Integrated Discharge Hub
- Virtual Ward monitoring including scales
- □ Reablement short term care package at end of 72 hour wrap
- Own Bed Instead rehabilitation to prevent deconditioning
- GP to start end of life planning
- □ Epicentre follow up visits and further IV diuretics as indicated over next 72 hours



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### **Epicentre Impact**

Referrals	Step Down	Av. Length of	Face to face contacts	Readmissions
Oct 22 – Jan 23	referrals	Stay (days)		Oct 22 – Jan 23
85	17%	6	90%	9 (12.5%)

You listened to me

So relieved I didn't have to go into hospital

Cant believe I saw a doctor and got all that care within 2 hours of me pressing my alarm



## Acute Medicine and Patient Flow

- We navigate the system not the patient
- Do what's right with the patient
- Track all the data
- Relentless focus on communication and proving the concept



## Thank You and Further Information

Dr Sarb Clare, Deputy Medical Director, SWBT @AcutemedSarbC

Integrated Care Services, SWBT @icares\_SWBH

Integrated Discharge Hub, SWBT, @iDH\_swb

Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council

Professor Dan Lasserson, Warwick Medical School @DanLasserson

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# **SPEAKING NOW**



Mrs Victoria Cardona

Head of Patient Flow Services North Tees & Hartlepool NHS Trust

#### Mrs Vivienne Priestley

Service Lead Urgent & Emergency Care North Tees & Hartlepool NHS Trust

## We will discuss...

"Integrated Coordination Centre - Improving Patient Flow and Discharge: A North Tees and Hartlepool Perspective"





#### Integrated Coordination Centre "Improving Patient Flow and Discharge: A North Tees and Hartlepool Perspective"



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#### North Tees and Hartlepool NHS Foundation Trust

Covers a population of approximately 400,000 across Stockton, Hartlepool and parts of County Durham The Trust employs around 5,700 staff across the Trust 2 main hospitals in Stockton and Hartlepool 545 Beds (G&A-483) Cover 3 Local Authorities



The area is one of the most deprived in the country – amongst the worst for high levels of obesity, smoking and lack of physical inactivity. The Trust is committed working with local partners to tackling health inequalities in the community and, in doing so, helping reduce pressures on front of house health services. Close to half of our catchment population live in the 20% most deprived communities as defined by the index of multiple deprivation (IMD).



#### Focus for today:

- The implementation of an Integrated Coordination Centre and how this has supported prediction, planning and responding appropriately to patient flow
- How North Tees and Hartlepool optimise patient flow through a process of continuous dynamic interaction supported by live up to date information available to support decision making
- Leadership and "Command" Structure
- How teams work together from both acute and community, how positive relationships support patient flow.

#### Integrated Coordination Centre (ICC) – Our ICC brings together :

The Patient Flow Team (Bed Mangers/Site Managers) & the Discharge Team including a Discharged Transport Scheduler.

Our aim is that this integration brings about the biggest reward in regards to flow. In addition, we use our electronic systems to support this decision-making at the earliest opportunity to maximise our capacity and demand response.





#### **Visual Management in the Integrated Coordination Centre**

Visual management is an approach that communicates important information to those that need it in a visual and immediate manner.

There are a number of systems we have to support all of which have associated action and escalation processes:

- Ambulance stack
- EPR
- Yellowfin Bl
- OPTICA Discharge Tracker

This empowers the team to make specific patient-level plans based on 'live' rather than historic data.



#### Leadership 'Command' Structure

- NTH have a leadership command structure with designated communication channels in place to enable efficient management and appropriate escalation of patient flow and discharge
- The Clinical Site Manager is responsible for operationally managing flow 24/7. They play a key leadership role working alongside the Discharge Team and Bed Managers within the Integrated Coordination Centre (ICC), and have an overarching view of the Trust's position regarding all site activity and flow.
- A designated Operational Lead from each of the 3 care groups provides support (Monday-Friday) to the Site Manager in unblocking beds, speeding up potential discharges and resolving challenges across the Trust from there speciality areas. There is a Manager on Call (Band 8b-8c) and Director of Call (Band 8d and above) available every day for escalation.

#### **Integrated Coordination Centre: Team Structure**

Figure 1 details the overall structure of the Integrated Coordination Centre, including leadership and operational elements, communication and escalation routes, meetings, and decision-making points.



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#### **Relationships**

- Collaborative working relationships, underpinned by trust, open communication and respect are important for sustaining NTHs discharge performance. We place great emphasis on developing theses relationships with all key stakeholders
- Having all parties working together achieving the same end goal
- Built on the relationships developed during the COVID pandemic
- This is especially crucial when developing community services
  together

#### **Community Services**

We have been developing integrated community services in the Tees Valley for many years now. We have well established multidisciplinary teams who can provide safe and effective care without transporting a patient to hospital. We recognise that hospital is not an ideal environment for frail patients with multiple comorbidities, and aim to keep these patients in their normal place of residence whilst wrapping care and support around them.

The Trust has been working in collaboration with our colleagues in primary care, the GP federation and social care, as well as local secondary care trusts to develop new pathways of care: our vision is to ensure that every patient is offered the right care in the right place at the right time (virtual wards)

This means providing excellent quality care in patients own homes/care homes where this is appropriate, and ensuring that patients are only in hospital when that is the right place for them to be (2H UCR)

This requires a system wide approach, with equal focus being given to pre hospital, and alternatives to admission as much as flow at the front of house and discharge planning.



#### Schemes

- Co-located Urgent Care
- Established alternative pathways into hospital other than just ED
- Integrated Acute and Community Services
- ISPA 24/7 with clinical Triage
- Virtual Wards
- Ambulance Stack



#### North Tees and Hartlepool performance

NTH are well regarded for their continual positive patient flow performance despite a very difficult few years

#### January 2023:

> 7 days	41.28%
> 14 days	19.41%
> 21 days	10.79%

• Stranded Patients Occupied Beds (Avg) – performance is good.

- Our current performance against the A&E four standard is within the top 5 of trusts nationally at 81.9 %
- Performance against average length of stay has seen a reduction from 3.5 days to 2.5 days. The average length of stay for patients not from our locality is 6 days
- We maintain elective activity and rarely P1 and P2 cancel elective procedures making full use of our University Hospital of Hartlepool capacity.

#### Length of Stay (21+)



The proportion of beds occupied by patients with length of stay of 21 or more days has stayed constant (~10%) in average since the introduction of OPTICA and ICC in April 2022 while both ICS and England average numbers have increased (~+4%). 21+ medically fit patients in NTH occupy **50% fewer beds** compared to the national and regional averages.



#### Length of Stay (21+): delay days

II. Of the total number of people who have a length of stay of 21+ Days and who have been assessed as not meeting the criteria to reside, the average number of additional days in total they have remained in hospital since not meeting the criteria to reside decision was made per person.



• The number of delays days for medically-optimized patients with length of stay of 21 or more days has significantly decreased since OPTICA ICC went live date. Number of delay days was kept under control in 2022 compared to the previous year despite a x3 increase in number of delayed patients

#### Length of Stay (14+)



The proportion of beds occupied by patients with length of stay of 14 or more days has stayed constant (~20%) in average since OPTICA/ICC was fully implemented in April 2022 while both ICS and England average numbers have increased (~+5% from 30 to 35%). 14+ medically fit patients in NTH occupy **43% fewer beds** compared to the national and regional averages.





#### Is your patient ready for discharge?

Don't delay - Consider the Discharge or Transport Hub now.

Each discharge can help up to five patients.



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