

ICS Board Summary Briefing - March 2019

Please find below the Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Integrated Care System (ICS) update following the ICS Board on 15th March 2019. Please ensure this is cascaded to Governing Boards/Bodies, Management Teams and other key stakeholders and teams across your respective organisations. Minutes from the ICS Board held on 15th February 2019 will shortly be published on the system's website - http://www.stpnotts.org.uk/

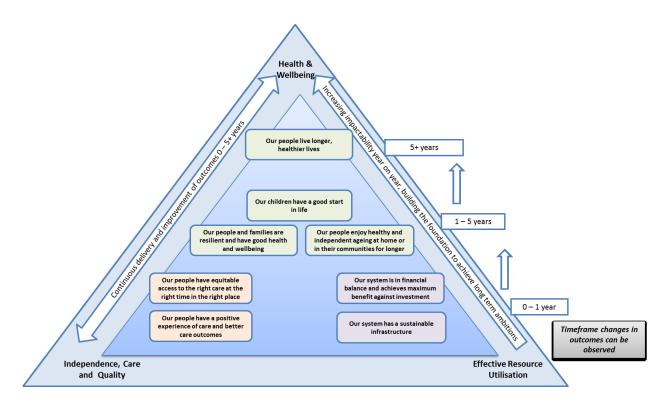
Connected Nottinghamshire: Patient Story

The Board welcomed a presentation from an expert patient and the Programme Director for Connected Nottinghamshire. The positive impact of the Medical Interoperability Gateway (MIG) were explored and brought to life through personal experience – in particular the additional convenience for the patient and time saved for clinicians in being able to see a live record of prescribed medications from primary care before proceeding with a secondary care operation. The Board discussed how these benefits could be spread more widely including there being a two-way flow of information back into primary care and also the potential positive opportunities for use in the ambulance service.

ICS Outcomes Framework and ICS Strategy

Two separate items came to the Board this month from the ICS's Director of Strategy: updating on the emerging 'Outcomes Framework' and also on the development of an ICS Strategy as required in the NHS Long Term Plan. Taking first the Outcomes Framework, or in simple terms, what difference will the ICS make to the citizens, patients and staff of Nottingham and Nottinghamshire in the future. The Outcomes Framework will enable both the leadership of the ICS and also patients and other stakeholders to judge the success of the work of the ICS and guide its strategic decision making. The Outcomes Framework will also enable other bodies that have an influence on the progress of the ICS, eg, Health and Wellbeing Boards to align their work and activities. The Board welcomed the progress made since the initial presentation of this work in November 2018, in particular, the integration of care quality and financial sustainability to underpin the whole framework and a simplification of the overall approach with the confirmation of increasing healthy life expectancy as the priority outcome.

The latest version of the Outcomes Framework can therefore currently be represented as follows;



The Board endorsed this refined approach and asked for a prototype dashboard for reporting on the metrics of progress to be brought to the next possible meeting.

Closely linked to the Outcomes Framework, the Board was also asked to discuss and agree an approach to developing the ICS's Strategy. The ICS's Director of Strategy summarised the conversations that had taken place over the last few weeks with members of the Board to canvass their views on the type and scope of strategy that would be most appropriate. Given the partnership nature of the ICS it was not surprising that a diverse range of opinions had emerged from those conversations but all members recognised the need to create dedicated time as a Board to agree the strategic direction of the ICS. The Board therefore agreed to come together, separately to the main Board meetings, in late April to align their overall strategic approach and priorities and again in May/June to focus on plans for Urgent and Emergency Care, Mental Health and System Efficiency.

The ongoing development of both the Outcomes Framework and the Strategy will be supported and informed by the work being led by the ICS's Director of Communications and Engagement to engage with and gather insights from patients, members of the public and staff, as agreed at the February ICS Board meeting.

Mental Health Strategy

Following the discussion at the January ICS Board, the Chief Executive of Nottinghamshire Healthcare Trust presented the updated ICS Mental Health strategy. With a focus on improving access to treatment, securing the stability of workforce, collaborating and integrating across the system and reducing impact of Severe Mental Illness on life expectancy, the revised strategy has been developed in partnership across the whole system and in collaboration with patients. The Board welcomed the updated and improved document and agreed it as the ICS's Mental Health strategy. The Board further agreed to ask the Integrated Care Providers (ICPs), with support from the Strategic Commissioner (the combined six CCGs for Nottinghamshire), to take this strategy and turn it into an operational plan for delivery for local populations. It was agreed that an update on progress on this would come back to the Board in around three months.

2019/20 Operational Plan

The ICS's Director of Finance updated on the progress towards creating a balanced system plan for financial year 2019/20. There remain significant challenges in achieving this outcome, particularly in the Greater Nottingham part of the system and this will be discussed further in a meeting supported by regional NHS England / Improvement colleagues on 21st March.

Other - Public Board Meetings; Partnership Forum; EU Exit

The Board considered a number of other items including agreeing the approach to holding the Board meetings in public from April, the feedback from the newly established Partnership Forum and a check on the system's preparations for the UK leaving the European Union.

The next meeting of the ICS Board will be on 1st April with a single item to approve the submission of the ICS's 2019/20 financial plan and then a full meeting on 11th April which will be held as a meeting in public for the first time.

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