

Nottingham and Nottinghamshire ICS CVD to Stroke Clinical and Community Services Strategy March 2020

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The Integrated Care System (ICS) ambition across Nottinghamshire is to both increase the duration of people's lives and to improve the quality of those additional years, allowing people to live longer, happier, healthier and more independently into their old age. The aim of the Clinical and Community Services Strategy (CCSS) is to support the system to achieve this by shifting the focus of our health and care delivery from reactive, hospital based treatment models to a pro-active approach of prevention and early intervention, delivered in people's homes or in community locations where this is appropriate with a long term view of beyond 5 years.

Stroke is a leading cause of death and disability in the UK, with approximately 152,000 strokes every year and over 1.2 million stroke survivors. Stroke consumes approximately 5% of NHS resources, with a large amount of this being due to inpatient care or disabled stroke patients. Recovery can continue for many years after a stroke and consequently a seamless transfer of care and access to services over the long term is important for positive patient outcomes.

The National Health Service (NHS) Long Term Plan (LTP) suggests that the number of stroke survivors living with disability will increase by a third by 2035.

This cardio-vascular disease (CVD) to Stroke service review has been undertaken as part of the ICS CCSS work stream. This has been supported by clinical experts and stakeholders in the development of place based service models for the future to support the long term needs of our existing citizens and embedding prevention in our population over the next 5-10 years by shifting our culture from one of illness to one of healthier lifestyles and self-care.

The strategy identifies major stages in the stroke patient's journey and stresses a need to reorganise the way in which stroke services are delivered, from prevention through to longer term support for those who have experienced a stroke.

A whole pathway approach in the provision of stroke services is crucial in order to maximise the clinical outcome for patients, their quality of life and experience of stroke services. The first 72 hours of care are vital to ensure the optimum clinical outcome for stroke survivors. This needs to be underpinned by an effective whole system pathway from hyper-acute stroke unit admission to subsequent rehabilitation and longer term support if applicable.

Key themes have been identified along with key transformational opportunities and potential impacts have been developed which include: prevention strategies to promote healthy ageing and independence and reduce avoidable admissions; improved access & shared communication about patients past medical history by paramedics attending as an emergency, acute care settings to community settings; appropriate levels of workforce skill mix 24/7 across the ICS; standardise the Early Supported Discharge (ESD) offer across the ICS; standardise based on best evidence model of rehabilitation; provide an improved long term condition support network across the ICS (includes vocational rehabilitation).

A transformation Bridge to the Future highlights current service offers across the ICS and identifies some potential long term next steps that can be taken to achieve the identified opportunities with proposed timelines and the expected outcome for our citizens of Nottinghamshire.

The recommended next steps are vital in keeping the momentum of change in the future offer of improved prevention and better health for our citizens; providing the right tools for our population to support their wellbeing; providing strong communication links for our staff is vital to enable them to provide the best care for our citizens; the most appropriate models of care in acute settings, neighbourhood and home need to be provided equitably across the ICS and be provided using best evidenced, flexibility and in a patient centred way for them to fulfil their maximum potential throughout their lifetime.



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Background and Purpose	In Nottinghamshire we have made great progress in improving people's health and wellbeing. Today, we can treat diseases and conditions we once thought untreatable. However, our health and care system faces change and this will impact on our services, for example, the growing prevalence of long-term health conditions places new strains on our system. There is inequality evident in both the location of challenges and in access to services. In some areas, it is easier to access a GP than in others, or to find things to do to enable citizens to stay active and fit. The ICS ambition across Nottinghamshire is to both increase the duration of people's lives and to improve those additional years, allowing people to live longer, happier, healthier and more independently into their old age. The requirement for a CCSS came from the recognition that to achieve this ambition the system has to change as a whole, rather than just in its individual acute, primary care, community and social care elements. It is recognised that only by working together to describe changes in how care is provided across the system, rather than through individual organisations, will we deliver the scale of change required.
The ICS Clinical and Community Services Strategy	The aim of the CCSS is to support the system to achieve this by shifting the focus of our health and care delivery from reactive, hospital based treatment models to a pro-active approach of prevention and early intervention. This should be delivered closer to people's homes or in community locations where this enables better prevention, more supported self-care and earlier intervention to support citizens. The Strategy recognises that achieving this change is a long term programme that will be delivered over the next 5 years and beyond. This is also necessary to enable a necessary long term investment in the health and care buildings and infrastructure in the system. An overall CCSS whole life model framework has been developed to focus on the need to support people through their lives from living healthy, supporting people with illness and urgent and emergency care through to end of life care. Citizens can experience different parts of the system at different stages in their lives. With the development of the overall Strategy framework the next phase of work is to review the 20 areas of service across the ICS that collectively form approximately 80% of the volume of clinical work in the ICS. This will ensure that overall the Strategy is described as a coherent whole and generates a programme of change for the whole ICS. This review of CVD-Stroke is one such review and is part of the first phase of work.
NHS Long Term Plan	 The NHS LTP is clear that to meet the challenges that face the NHS it will increasingly need to be: more joined up and coordinated in its care; More proactive in the services it provides; More differentiated in its support offer to its individuals. The ICS has focused on describing 5 areas of focus for the delivery of the NHS LTP. These requirements are reflected in each of the service reviews that collectively will describe the CCSS 1. Prevention and the wider determinants of health - More action on and improvements in the upstream prevention of avoidable illness and its exacerbations 2. Proactive care, self management and personalisation - Improve support to people at risk of and living with single and multiple long term conditions and disabilities through greater proactive care, self-management and personalisation 3. Urgent and emergency care - Redesign the urgent and emergency care system, including integrated primary care models, to ensure timely care in the most appropriate setting 4. Mental health - Re-shape and transform services and other interventions so they better respond to the mental health and care needs of our population 5. Value, resilience and sustainability - Deliver increased value, resilience and sustainability across the system (including estates)



3. Approach and Scope

Approach	This strategy has been developed through an open and inclusive process which weaves together the expertise of clinicians and care experts with commissioners and citizens in determining the future shape of services across the system. There have been a variety of stakeholder and service user events to develop a clinical and community services model. An extensive system wide piece of work is taking place across a minimum of 20 services. The CCSS Programme Board have reviewed these services against a range of quantitative and qualitative criteria and agreed the prioritisation of five service reviews. These include; Cardiovascular Disease (CVD) to Stroke ; Respiratory – Asthma and COPD; Frailty; Children and Young People (CYP); Maternity and Neonates. This document discusses the approach, scope, the key issues and potential transformational opportunities within CVD/Stroke services across the ICS health, social care, public health, and the voluntary sectors identified by reviewing the current service offer across the ICS. The service review was taken over approximately 24 weeks and there were three workshops held with stakeholders across the ICS. An Evidence Review document has also been developed which considered national and local best practice. This has been used to inform the development of the future vision and long term Transformation Proposal for CVD to Stroke services in the ICS.
Scope	 In scope: all citizens in Nottingham and Nottinghamshire ICS whose CVD risk could be reduced and those that subsequently have experienced a TIA or stroke and their rehabilitation. There is a defined evidence based pathway which include the following: Prevention will be embedded throughout the whole of the patient journey, with a particular emphasis on a healthier lifestyle. Pre- hospital – includes emergency/urgent contact to assessment in emergency facilities within 1 hour. Hyper-acute care – includes initial thrombolysis within 1 hour of being admitted to the emergency facilities or thrombectomy treatment within 4-24 hours. It also includes the first 0-72 hours of care for a person who has suffered a stoke. Acute care – is defined from care provided from 3-7 days (includes early supported discharge). Community Rehabilitation – offered when a person has been assessed as medically fit (includes access to acute/community beds, early supportive discharge, specialist stroke community rehabilitation and vocational rehabilitation). Long term care – includes complex disabilities, long term support, enablement and vocational rehabilitation. Not in scope: A review of all risk factors or conditions that can contribute to people developing CVD or experiencing a trans-ischaemic attack (TIA) or stroke.
Engagement	The CVD to Stroke services review has been supported by an overarching Clinical Design Group of clinical professionals and social care representative in the ICS and a tailored CVD to Stroke steering group comprising of stakeholders and clinical experts from across the ICS. They have provided expert advice, guided, confirmed and challenged assumptions throughout the period of review and connected to other workstreams. These two groups have formed part of the development process along with the ICS Clinical and Community Services Strategy Programme Board consisting of senior leaders in the ICS who oversee the work. Three workshops have been held which enabled a wide breadth of stakeholders (Patients, Clinicians, AHP, Nurses, Stroke Association, Heads of Service, Social Care, Public Health, Commissioners, Academic Health Science Network and others) to be proactively involved in re-evaluating current service offers across the ICS in developing potential themes and agreeing transformational change for the future clinical and community services strategy. In addition two patient focus groups have been held in collaboration with the Stroke Association to enable them to confirm and challenge assumptions and play an active part in the co-design of any future service changes across the ICS .



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Strategy Development	This Strategy Document consists of five key elements. These have been developed through a process of design and iteration a three workshops and steering groups. The strategy has been developed with reference to the Evidence Review and the patient f groups that have been held.	
Priorities for Change	The work of the Steering Group and the first workshop identified four key areas of focus that need to change in the ICS for CVD-Stroke care. These were based on a review of the current issues facing the ICS and the views of the Steering Group and workshop 1 attendees.	
Proposed Future Care System	 Following the Evidence Review at workshop 2 attendees started to develop the future Care System for CVD-Stroke to address the Priorities for Change. The future care system is described against two dimensions Location split between - Home (usual place of residence) – Acute Hospital with 24/7 medical presence – Neighbourhood representing all community/primary care and ambulatory care settings. Urgency split between - Emergency/Crisis requiring a service provided 24/7 to avoid crisis or risk to life – Urgent requiring a service 7/7 but not 24/7 to meet urgent care needs – Scheduled reflecting any arrangement where an appointment is agreed between a professional and a citizen. The intention of the system model is to focus future care delivery closer to home and also with greater levels of scheduled care to best use the available resources and reduce demand on urgent and emergency care services. The new system to address the Priorities for Change is presented for each location and then summarised overall for the ICS. 	
 Transformation Proposal The Transformation proposal described the key initiatives or programmes that are required to deliver this new model. It so Priority – What is the priority of the initiative in the view of the steering group and workshop attendees. Alignment – At what level of the system should we aim to deliver each initiative. In most instances this is ICP le some where the recommendation is for delivery to be at ICS level where the greater value is perceived to be in an or For some it is PCN level where differential delivery would be of benefit to meet the needs of very local populations. Enabling Requirements – This indicates what is required from a range of enablers to support each Programme includes workforce, technology, estate or service configuration. There are also requirements of culture or finance an where a key change required is for the system to work together differently. Benefits and Costs – Where available the key benefits of the initiative at system level are summarised. 		
Bridge to the Future	The 'Bridge to the Future' was generated at Workshop 3 and with the Steering Group. It summarises the current challenges for the CVD- Stroke system in the ICS now (Priorities for Change), where we would like to be and how we plan to get there. Progress with the 'Bridge to the Future' and the partnering Vision can be returned to with Stakeholders as the work develops to ensure that it stays on track.	

CVD to Stroke Key Themes



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CVD to Stroke in the Nottingham and Nottinghamshire ICS

Average cost of stroke per person

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Societal cost £45,409 for first year (incident stroke) + £24,778pa (prevalent stroke). NHS & Personal Social Services (PSS) care first year severe stroke £24,003 & minor stroke £12,869.



Adult Social Care and the Long Term

Long Term Community: Ageing Well (65+)- Average of Weekly cost £213 Living Well (18-64)- Average of Weekly cost £310	These figures represent the average weekly cost of a social care package		NUH Stroke Rehabilitation 2018-19
Long Term Resi/nursing:	(County patients) for those patients currently in our system who are	Activity (bed days)	7,360
Ageing Well (65+)- Average of Weekly cost £627	eligible for social care, irrespective	Cost	£2,451,800
Living Well (18-64) - Average of Weekly cost £1,432	of their health condition.		



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The workshops identified 4 key themes and potential areas of change which include: prevention (detect, protect, perfect and review of citizens); pre-admission (ambulance assessment and emergency care facilities); acute (treatment and access to specialist stroke units); rehabilitation (different service provision across the ICS) (Slide 6). While prevention is embedded through the overarching clinical services strategy, specific prevention focus within the new CVD/Stroke services model will concentrate on the following high blood pressure (BP), abnormal heart beat called Atrial Fibrillation (AF) and high cholesterol.

 Health promoting environments: Prevention of cardiovascular disease begins with our environment. It is important that we ensure the environment and places people (of all ages) live, work, learn and play in enables to help people live healthy lives. This includes but is not limite to supporting people in having an active life with family and friends around; financial security; feeling safe in their neighbourhoods; access the health food and opportunities for active travel; and an increased health literacy. Detection and optimal management of risk factors: Large volumes of patients are unaware they have high BP or an irregular heart beak known as AF and those that are aware aren't always receiving the optimal treatment. PHE estimate the societal return on investment is £2.30 for every £1 spent on ensuring those individuals known to have AF receive optimat treatment. In the next 3 years optimising AF treatment in our ICS could prevent 260 strokes saving up to £4.6M. Inequalities in high bloo pressure exist with those in deprived areas 30% more likely to have high blood pressure. Reductions in blood pressure within our ICS could avert a further 240 strokes saving £3.3M. Smoking cessation services and weight management services are available across the ICS but differ in their offer and delivery. For example health checks are offered to the majority of eligible individuals (though not 100%), take-up is low; particularly in Nottingham City.
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Pre-Admission	The majority of suspected stroke patients arrive at hospital by ambulance. Ensuring ambulance clinicians recognise stroke symptoms and take patients to the correct hospital for their needs is paramount. Nottinghamshire ICS has two Hyper Acute Services Units (HASU) at Kings Mill and Nottingham City Hospital. At SFHFT the HASU and the A&E department are located on the same site. In Nottingham the HASU and A&E are on different sites (City and QMC respectively). In addition Mechanical Thrombectomy is only available at QMC in Nottingham and provides a regional service for all patients that have suffered a stroke and require this treatment. The required services for stroke patients being split across sites in Nottingham creates challenges for effective service delivery. Mechanical Thrombectomy is only suitable for large artery occlusion strokes. These patients will first visit a HASU for a CT angiography before being transferred. When patients are at the QMC for thrombectomy treatment they require access to specialists such as neuro-surgeons and there is no decicated stroke ward at the QMC. As such patients are tarsferred by ambulance to the City or Kings Mill HASU. Evidence suggests that there are better outcomes for these patients if they receive their next stage of care in a HASU. 18% of NUH patients who have suffered a stroke are not diagnosed by ambulance staff and are taken to A&E at the QMC instead of the Stroke Unit at the City Hospital causing delays to treatment and ongoing care in a HASU as it can take some time for the patient to transfer to the City Hospital. A further challenge to pre-admission care is access to patient records by the ambulance crew, as they have no awareness of previous medical history, recent admissions to A&E and are not made aware if actions are followed up when they refer patients onto GP practices as the 'task allocated' on the IT system feeds one way to the GP practices only. In a 2017 survey 87% of ambulance staff wished to have additional stroke training and anecdotal evidence
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6. Proposed Future Care System

Home

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Planned/Scheduled

Integrated

Care System

Rehabilitation

- Access to 45 minutes for each therapy 5 days per week (Occupational therapy, physiotherapy and speech and language therapy) over 7 days?
- One to one therapy
- Regular review of personal goals
- Health and social care review at 6 week, 6
 months and annually
- Access to Early Supported Discharge teams Personalised care plans and individual planned goals
- Access to voluntary sector support
- Carer support
- Access to Community Stroke Support services

Prevention

- Telemedicine advice links and access to tele care
- Assistive technology investment
- Carer support
- Provision of required respite/support at home within 24 hours to operate as a bridge to scheduled plan in place
- Making it normal to know your pulse and blood pressure as it is for your height and weight

Urgent – 24 hours

Urgent Care

Access to urgent care contacts to exacerbate concerns by carer or patient (call for care, 111, urgent care centres).

Provision of required respite/support at home within 24 hours to operate as a bridge to scheduled plan in place.

Use of RESPECT and provision of end of life support

Rehabilitation

All standard ESD and community stroke rehabilitation teams to provide 7 day service provision

Emergency/Crisis – 4 hours

Emergency Care

Access to 999, or crisis care numbers via one central contact line

Rehabilitation

Access by ambulance crew to book TIA OPA when assessing a patient at home and the patient not requiring admission to hospital.

Prevention

Access to information about symptoms of a stroke and post recovery of a TIA (provided by ambulance personnel)

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Neighbourhood

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Planned/Scheduled

Integrated

Care System

Rehabilitation

Access to 45 minutes for each therapy 5 days per week (Occupational therapy, physiotherapy and speech and language therapy)

One to one or group therapy Early Supported Discharge teams Personalised care plans Access to specialist stroke community rehabilitation beds Access to vocational training and support Social care assessment Psychological support to meet individual needs Access to voluntary services Peer support Access to specialist community teams

Annual review by GP (to include full assessment of personal health, social and psychological needs and medication review)

Patients wish for flexible access and self-referral to services after their stroke

Carer support and access to transport to enable access to respite care and day centres. Digital advice and training to carers remotely available.

Direct access or Telemedicine for GPs and rehabilitation teams; this would allow contact with a designated stroke physician

6 weeks before patients leave the ESD service; it is recommended that where there is a clinical need, patients should then enter Community Stroke Team (CST) without any delay

Following discharge from rehabilitation services stroke patients should have the opportunity for regular review, advice and support with the option of re-referral to stroke specific therapy if clinically appropriate; this could be provided by a range of NHS or third sector providers.

Whilst under the care of a stroke specific team or stroke rehabilitation team patients should be re-assessed in the community on a regular basis as per their clinical need by a stroke specialist, have therapeutic care plans and access the therapists.

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Urgent – 24 hours

Rehabilitation

Provision of required respite/support at home within 24 hours to operate as a bridge to scheduled plan in place.

Emergency/Crisis – 4 hours

Prevention

Access to information about their risk factors, surviving after a stroke and vocational support

Shared assessment tools to optimise detection, enable improved treatment and influence lifestyle choices



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Planned/Scheduled

Pre-admission/ acute care

Emergency access to 999 or crisis care teams

Prevention

- Risk assessment of health, social and psychological needs and providing advice/signposting

- Carer support
- Optimal treatment for health risks e.g.
- hypertensive, anticoagulation medication

Rehabilitation

- Access to 45 minutes for each therapy 7 days per week (Occupational therapy, physiotherapy and speech and language therapy)

- One to one or group therapy
- MDT support and decision making
- Early supported discharge transition
- Personalised goal setting and care plans
- Risk assessment of health, social and psychological needs and providing advice/signposting
- 6 Week review post stroke
- Availability of TIA appointments 7/7 across the ICS (particularly those assessed as high risk)
- In reach teams to support early supported

Urgent – 24 hours

Pre-admission/ acute care

Availability of TIA appointments 7/7 across the ICS (particularly those assessed as high risk)

Use of RESPECT and provision of required end of life support

Prevention

Provision of support for carers

Rehabilitation

90% of a patients stay as an inpatient should be within a stroke unit with experts caring for them.

If initial swallowing assessment indicates problems a further assessment with a specialist Speech & Language Therapist should be provided within 24 hours (no longer than 72 hours) from admission.

MDT support and decision making

Carer and family support

Emergency/Crisis – 4 hours

Acute Care

Access to CT scanning within 1 hour Access to thrombolysis within 4.5 hours of onset of symptoms **Access to Mechanical thrombectomy 24/7** Admission to a stroke unit within 4hours (to be consistently available 24/7 Centralised hyper-acute services where patients are

assessed immediately by an expert in strokes (LTP) End of life support

Prevention

Provision of support for carers

Rehabilitation

Swallowing assessment within 4 hours of admission to hospital by appropriately trained staff

Carer and family support

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The **NHS Long Term Plan** aims to expand mechanical thrombectomy treatments from 1% to 10% of stroke patients, which will allow 1,600 more people to be independent after their stroke each year. During 2019 the plan commits to working with royal colleges to pilot a new programme for hospital consultants to be trained to provide mechanical thrombectomy. The procedure currently should only be carried out by appropriately trained specialists with regular experience in intracranial endovascular interventions, with appropriate facilities and neuroscience support.

24/7 access to specialist treatment (in particular thrombectomy) High Priority	Currently across the ICS this service is offered at the QMC and is a regional service across the East Midlands. Due to a shortage in expert staff groups the service is available 5 days per week from 08.00am to 4.00pm. SFHFT and NUH (City Hospital) send patients for this treatment if the patient is assessed to require it after having a CT scan as an emergency transfer and patients are repatriated within 3 days (1 day for NUH, City patients) of having the treatment. It is recognised that there is a need to develop and provide this treatment 24/7. With the development and projected growth of Mechanical Thrombectomy an indicative direction of travel for stroke services in Nottinghamshire is emerging, to move the Nottingham Hyper Acute Stroke Unit (HASU) from City Hospital to Nottingham QMC to align with A&E and develop 24/7 Mechanical Thrombectomy services. Under this emerging thinking HASU services would continue to operate at Kings Mill Hospital. This will impact on the stroke service provision at SFHFT with potential increase in patient numbers and the level of care that may be required. These recommendations would require further evaluation at the planning / implementation stage and be in line with the development of Integrated Stroke Delivery Networks (ISDNs) and the delivery commitments set out in the NHS Long Term Plan (LTP). Impact & Benefit Increased availability to treat patients at anytime. Equitable offer of service. Meet expected target of 10% of patients who experience a stroke. Reduce length of stay for patients in hospital. Improve the quality of life for patients and their families after suffering a stroke with reduced risk of more severe disability. Greater access to scaling technology: CT perfusion scans, improved access to MRI scans, artificial intelligence interpretation of scans. Alignment – This will be aligned at the ICS level as it will require additional input from specialised commissioning.
Develop appropriate levels of workforce skill mix 24/7 across the ICS High Priority	 Stroke care should be provided by an MDT in line with national best practice with a number of professionals as part of this team. Locally we know there are shortfalls in staff groups across health and social care that are available to support stroke survivors, particularly specialist stroke consultants (currently a shared Consultant rota covers both NUH and SFHFT services), nursing staff (mainly at NUH), physiotherapists, speech and language therapists, psychologists and occupational therapists. Within community services there are different levels of staff who support the stroke survivor and carers, which includes assistant practitioners and healthcare support workers. Within the service review it was recognised that the acute and community services could potentially look at new roles and possible integration of skills and staff groups across the service boundaries. This would require: Workforce mapping across the system focusing on stroke & TIA services and embedding the prevention agenda into roles. Coordination of a collaborative programme of work to address skill gaps across the system. Workforce development plans linked to education and skills. Benefits: Enables all staff groups to gain a level of knowledge and skills that will provide the best evidence practice within the constraints of limited resources. Alignment: Implementation should be led at an ICS level as it will require the support of National and Local workforce strategies, funding and adopting an integrated and sustainable long term approach across the system.



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Early supported discharge (ESD) is an intervention that allows people's care to be transferred from a hospital environment to a community.

	Early supported discharge (ESD) is an intervention that allows people's care to be transferred from a hospital environment to a community setting. It enables people to continue their rehabilitation therapy at home, with the same intensity and expertise that they would receive in hospital. Evidence based models of Early Supported Discharge (ESD) services have resulted in equivalent or better outcomes for mild to moderate stroke patients and their carers', and a significant reduction in hospital length of stay; that ESD accelerated the recovery of mild to moderate stroke survivors and those patients obtained a sharper recovery trajectory compared to non-ESD patients. Within the ICS there are currently two different models being provided, one is provided in an acute setting and one is provided by a community provider. The service review has identified the need for there to be an equitable ESD service provision across the ICS for patients assessed by the MDT as mild/moderate and moderate/severe strokes, currently Nottingham city and county provide a level of service and there is a gap in Mid-Nottinghamshire.
Standardise the Early supported discharge offer across the ICS	 Impact and Benefits - To provide rehabilitation in the patient's home environment at an intensity equivalent to national standards (45 minutes of each required therapy per day) where the patient can tolerate this. To reduce the risk of re-admission into hospital for stroke related problems. To increase patient independence To improve quality of life for the patient. To support the patient, carers and family
High Priority	Some research nationally and locally have identified that patients who have been identified with a moderate to severe stroke would benefit from Enhanced Early Supported Discharge (EESD). NHFT see some moderate to severe patients at home across the County and there is some evidence of effectiveness but there needs to be some further future research to agree an evidence based model of care across the ICS for patients who have been identified with a moderate to severe stroke. There is a potential for some stroke survivors if assessed as appropriate to have intensive rehabilitation at the new proposed Defence Medical Rehabilitation Centre at Stanford Hall for non-military patients.
	 Impact and Benefits - The predicted benefits of Enhanced Early Supported Discharge are: Patients with higher levels of dependency could be discharged from the acute hospital setting sooner, avoiding the potential complications of a long hospital stay. Patients would not necessarily achieve a discharge as early as those on an ESD pathway, but would potentially achieve a shorter length of stay than in current practice. Local data supports these assumptions. Reduce pressure on in-patient rehabilitation beds, improving patient flow and increased bed capacity Improve performance against key measures in SSNAP Clinical outcomes could be equal to or better than hospital based care due to provision of rehabilitation in the patient's familiar environment, but further research is required to support these assumptions. Alignment - this will be the responsibility of the Integrated Care Partnerships (ICP) within the ICS.
Implement an evidence based best practice model of rehabilitation	National standards state that following 6 weeks of ESD or EESD, patients requiring on-going stroke support should be discharged into Community Stroke Teams (CST) with no delay. Those patients who do not meet the criteria for ESD/EESD should have immediate access to specialist Community Stroke Teams (CST) on their discharge from hospital based rehabilitation. Currently there is a different offer across the ICS. The service review has identified the need for there to be an equitable CST service provision across the ICS for patients and carers.
across the ICS High Priority	Impact and Benefits - To reduce the risk of re-admission into hospital for stroke related problems; to increase patient independence; to improve quality of life for the patient; to support the patient, carers and family. Alignment - this will be the responsibility of the Integrated Care Partnerships (ICP) within the ICS.



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Provide an improved long term condition support network across the ICS (includes vocational rehabilitation) Medium Priority	There are some patients not suitable for ESD, but who require access to rehabilitation beds, remain in hospital or may be referred to a care home without therapy, specialist home or their own home at risk. Patients with highly complex needs after stroke require access to stroke specific but highly specialist services. Within the ICS it is unclear if there is an equitable offer of service provision. It is the recommendation of the service review that this is mapped out further and this may be a potential area for future collaborative research as there appears to be no national model for this group of patients. Patient focus groups were held with stroke survivors and their families and carers as part of the service review process and they describe freeling abandoned' in areas where community service are not commissioned for greater than six weeks and many of them access additional support by privately funding themselves. They describe wishing for longer periods of rehabilitation, improved reviews and personalised goal setting. They would like this to have a flexible approach accessing support services based on self-referral as their circumstances often change and disability caused by suffering a stroke is a life time experience with differing challenges. Across the ICS there is inconsistency in the recommended level of personal reviews which should be at 6 weeks (consultant review), 6 months (community review) and then annually (normally GP). The process needs to be agreed across the ICS. Adults may have significant disabilities that prevent them from returning to work and where they would benefits, and can improve their quality of life and reduce ill health. NICE recommends that adults who have had a stroke are offered active management to return to work if they wish to do so. Within the ICS there is a level of inconsistency in the support provided for stroke survivors entering back into employment. In Nottingham there is a four year LINK research trial that is taking place to look at whether extra rehabilitatio
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8. Enabling Requirements

Workforce	 The following are key areas that need to be considered to enhance the future health and social care CVD / Stroke services: Workforce mapping across the system focusing on stroke & TIA services and embedding the prevention agenda into roles. Coordination of a collaborative programme of work to address skill gaps across the system. Workforce development plans linked to education and skills.
Technology	 The following are key enablers to ensure the sustainability of the proposed transformational opportunities and will aid all themes identified, particularly in prevention, identification and management of frailty across the ICS: One electronic shared care health record that is 'readable' and 'writable' across the system Shared assessment tools to optimise detection, enable improved treatment and influence lifestyle choices To have the ability to update assessments and Advanced Care Plans Telemedicine advice links and access to tele care Assistive technology investment Pilot one single point of access for all referrals e.g. stroke hub where GP's and self-referrals can be accepted and co-ordinated with other support services.
Estate	 It is recognised that the A&E departments at QMC and KMH are fixed points in the Strategy. There are a number of areas where there may be additional estates required or integration of services using existing estates across the ICS: There is a requirement to extend the thrombectomy service at the QMC from being 5/7 to 24/7 over the next five years. This requires additional theatre space, access to ITU beds and access to appropriate levels of specialist staff. QMC to provide a regional thrombectomy service with the expectation that 10% of patients will receive this treatment in the future, which will place greater demand on future service provision. There is also a requirement for specialist services to be accessible such as neuro-surgery for patients requiring thrombectomy. With the development and projected growth of Mechanical Thrombectomy and the requirement for this to be provided at the location of Interventional Radiology centres and A&E for optimal and timely treatment, it is recommended that the Nottingham HASU moves from City Hospital Nottingham to QMC Hospital Nottingham subject to the required estate development.
Culture	To drive a culture change we need shared and integrated use of workforce across organisations will enable the sharing of resources as there are limited staff groups and expertise, particularly with the introduction of MDT's and care coordinators. Organisational trust and changes in how future services are commissioned will provide the greatest influence on the future of integrated service provision and how best evidence can influence the future Stroke service offer across the ICS.



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10. Conclusions and Next Steps

Conclusions	The review of CVD/Stroke services as part of the development of a Clinical and Community Services Strategy for Nottingham and Nottinghamshire has been undertaken using a co-design model where patients, families, cares, key stakeholders and the Stroke Association have collaboratively worked together to shape a vision for a future care system for CVD and Stroke in Nottingham and Nottinghamshire. The four key themes for improvement identified were: prevention (detect, protect, perfect and review of clitzens); pre- admission (ambulance assessment and emergency care facilities); acute (treatment and access to specialist stroke units); and rehabilitation (different service provision across the ICS). The review describes a future care system in different care settings and with care provided at different levels of urgency and envisages 5 high priority and 2 medium priority programmes to transform care • High – Undertake a consistent programme of prevention work to promote healthy lifestyles and reduce avoidable serious health conditions and admissions focused on high blood pressure, high cholesterol and AF. • High – Develop appropriate levels of workforce skill mix 24/7 across the ICS • High – Develop appropriate levels of workforce skill mix 24/7 across the ICS • High – Standardise the Early supported discharge offer across the ICS • High – Implement an evidence based best practice model of rehabilitation across the ICS • Med - Identify more at risk patients by improved access & shared communication about patients past medical history by paramedics attending as an emergency • Med – Provide an improved long term condition support network across workforce, estate, technology, culture and financial systems. These include the long term ambition to move Nottingham stroke services from City Hospital to QMC to align with A&E services and the development of 24/7 mechanical thrombectomy at QMC. Collectively these initiatives can transform and provide long term health improvement and sustainability in the areas of
Next Steps	 This strategy sets the future direction of development for CVD-Stroke Care in the ICS and it is proposed it will shape future work of the ICS in a number of ways The identified priorities and programmes should be used to inform commissioning, ICS, ICP and PCN activity The enabling activities require development and inclusion in the relevant ICS workstreams to inform their work programmes and areas of focus The estate and configuration changes proposed require inclusion in a programme of pre-consultation business case development alongside the service changes recommended from other reviews The aggregate impact of the collective suite of service reviews should be used to shape focus of future service provision in acute and community settings in the ICS.

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11. List of Abbreviations

1°, 2° Care	Primary, Secondary Care	MECC	Make Every Contact Count
A&E	Accident and Emergency	NHFT	Nottinghamshire Healthcare Foundation Trust
AF	Atrial Fibrilation	NHS	National Health Service
ANP	Advanced Nurse Practitioner	NHSE	National Health Service England
BP	Blood Pressure	NHSI	National Health Service Improvement
COPD	Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease	NICE	National Institute for Health and Care Excellence
ECG	Electrocardiogram	NRCP	National Register of Certified Professionals
ESD	Early Supportive Discharge	NRT	Nicotine Replacement Therapy
ESDT	Early Supportive Discharge Teams	NUH	Nottingham University Hospitals
EMRAD	East Midlands Ambulance Radiography	NRC	National Rehabilitation Centre
ED	Emergency Department	PN	Practitioner Nurse
EMAS	East Midlands Ambulance Service	PCN	Primary Care Network
EoL	End of Life	РН	Public Health
eSCR	Electronic Shared Care Record	PHE	Public Health England
GP	General Practitioner	РНМ	Population Health Management
HCA	Healthcare Assistant	PID	Project Initiation Document
НСР	Healthcare Professional	QALY	Quality Adjusted Life Years
HES	Hospital Episode Statistics	QIPP	Quality, Innovation, Productivity and Prevention
ICP	Integrated Care Partnership	QMC	Queen's Medical Centre
ICS	Integrated Care System	SALT	Speech and Language Therapy
IT	Information Technology	SEND	Special Educational Needs and Disabilities
LTC	Long Term Conditions	SFH	Sherwood Forest Hospitals
LTP	Long Term Plan	TIA	Trans-Ischaemic Attack
MDT	Multi-Disciplinary Team		

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	NHS Long Term Plan SSNAP – Sentinel Stroke National Audit Programme Local Data from NUH, SFHFT, CCGs and GPRCC NICE guidelines Public Health England NHS RightCare NHS England Office of National Statistics Poppi – Projecting Older People Population Information System Stroke Association Healthier Lancashire and East Cumbria
Data Sources	

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