Hyper Acute Stroke Services

Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee

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For Noting

Are there any resource implications (including Financial, Staffing etc)?

N/A

Summary of key issues

- The enclosed brief update was provided at the Joint Committee of Clinical Commissioning Groups (JCCC) meeting in June 2017.
- The review of hyper acute stroke services across South Yorkshire, Bassetlaw and North Derbyshire is complex. It brings together many partners and we are in the process of analysing all potential impacts of changing services.
- Further work is being undertaken to ensure that the Joint Committee can make a
 fully informed decision. Further detailed work with the region's hospital trusts is
 ongoing, with a decision likely to be made in the autumn.

Recommendations

The Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee members are asked to note the current progress with the hyper acute stroke services transformation.

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1. Purpose

The purpose of this brief is to update the Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee on the progress to review hyper acute stroke services across South Yorkshire, Bassetlaw and North Derbyshire and the development of the decision making business case.

2. Summary

The review of hyper acute stroke services across South Yorkshire, Bassetlaw and North Derbyshire is complex. It brings together many partners and we are in the process of analysing all potential impacts of changing services. Therefore to ensure the Joint Committee of Clinical Commissioning Groups (JCCC) can make a fully informed decision, further detailed work with the region's hospital trusts is ongoing, with a decision likely to be made in the autumn.

3. Current Position

All partners continue to support the clinical case for change to hyper acute stroke services, but further work is needed to understand the overall cost implications for all our partners on changing services, how staff could work in different ways and how our ambulance services could work differently to transfer patients.

To be able to make an informed decision on the future of services, the joint committee needs to fully understand all aspects of the proposed changes and how they would impact on all partners, staff and patients and have therefore decided to spend more time developing the decision making business case to ensure any changes are possible, affordable and providing the best and safest care for all patients. This will enable us to ensure that we are proposing the most clinically and cost effective new service model that is clinically and financially sustainable for the future.

4. Next Steps

Work is ongoing to further develop the decision making business case and we are working together with all partners to understand the joint impact and work needed to manage the implications should proposals go ahead. We are planning to finalise the decision making business case for discussion in the autumn.

It is acknowledged that there are potential risks with deferring the decision to reconfigure hyper acute stroke services and we will continue to work with our provider partners to operationally manage these as we have to date to ensure that existing services are supported to deliver whilst we progress the development of the decision making business case.