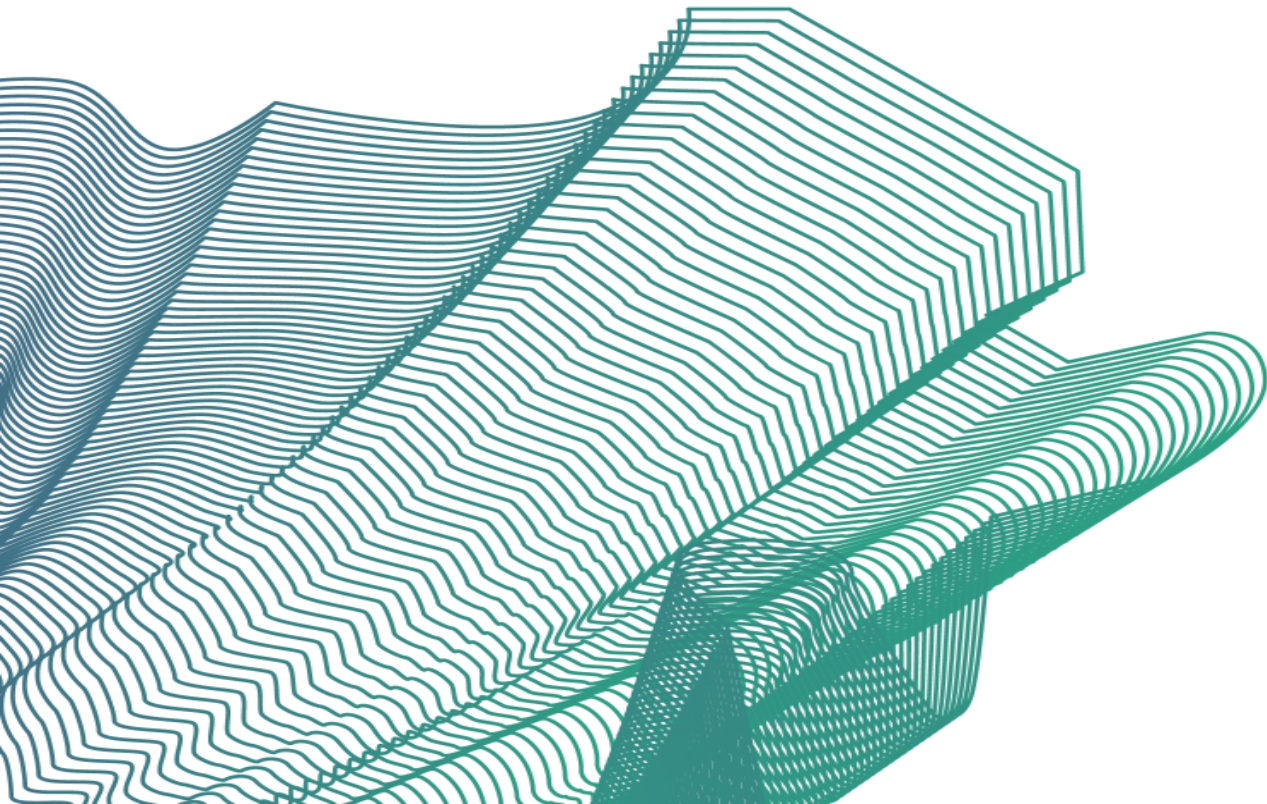


# Health and Well Being Board Rotherham High Impact Frailty Update

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# The Brief

- One of Rotherham's 4 high impact change projects along with ambulatory care, respiratory and diabetes
- Rotherham has an extensive, but disparate falls and frailty offer
- There are opportunities to review our offer including learning from good practice elsewhere to provide a more holistic and integrated approach

Informed by:

- National policy including NHS Long Term Plan, Frailty and SDEC national strategies, Rotherham Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy
- Shared examples of good practice
  - The Jean Bishop Integrated Care Centre, Hull – Hull CCG
  - [Resilience-and-Independent-Living-in-Greater-Manchester.pdf \(england.nhs.uk\)](#)
  - British Geriatrics Society Blue Print
  - GIRFT and BGS: Six Steps to better care for older people in hospital [www.bgs.org.uk/sixsteps](http://www.bgs.org.uk/sixsteps)
  - [NHS England » Proactive care: providing care and support for people living at home with moderate or severe frailty](#)
- Workshops held to map as is/to be including a falls workshop

# High Level Summary of Falls and Frailty Services

## High Level Summary of services that support frailty and falls – January 2024



# What's working well

- Shared commitment to supporting people to live independently for longer, home first and delivering care closer to home.
- Good partnership working across Rotherham Place at all levels, including VCS, with a willingness work together to improve frailty care
- Acute offer includes MDT approach with frailty consultant, frailty nurses, therapy (CHAT and inpatients) in SDEC/AMU
- Out of hospital pathways for all levels of acuity eg virtual ward, urgent community response, CHAT /social care deflection at the front door, VCS.
- Transfer of Care Hub provides an integrated gateway/contact point
- Emergency care paramedics / specialist paramedics to focus on community-based assessment and management (admission avoidance)



# Challenges

## Overarching

- Ageing population, increased demand/complexity
- Rotherham health demographic/health inequalities
- Diverse range of services, but largely siloed, doesn't address the holistic needs of the individual/ageing process
- Reactive rather than preventative

## Access to information

- To navigate /access the offer
- Access to shared patient/client records

## Identifying and supporting frailty

- No single, consistent, frailty assessment tool is used consistently in Rotherham
- We do not have a shared caseload or frailty MDT

# Opportunities

- Develop a person centred, integrated/holistic offer focussed on prevention
- Review universal offer and identify key cohorts based on vulnerable groups/health inequalities data eg learning disabilities
- Co-production with citizens and across health, care, VCS

## Emergent priorities

1. Review and develop the preventative physical activity offer
2. Conduct a proof of concept trial of a proactive care (previously known as anticipatory care) model for frailty
  - a. a person-centred, proactive “thinking ahead” approach whereby health, social care and the voluntary & community sector support and encourage individuals, their families and carers to plan ahead of any changes in their health or care needs.
  - b. The aim is to increase peoples healthy years by up to 5 more years
  - c. The approach encourages people to make positive choices about what they should do themselves, and from whom they should seek support, in the event of a flare up or deterioration in their condition, or in the event of a carer crisis
3. Review the acute frailty offer including front door, acute frailty unit and hot clinics
  - Recommendations to be drafted for approval March 2024

# References/Resources |

1. [NHS England » NHS Long Term Plan](#)
2. [Prevention in social care \(scie.org.uk\)](#)
3. [NHS England » Delivery plan for recovering urgent and emergency care services – January 2023](#)
4. [Intermediate care framework for rehabilitation, reablement and recovery following hospital discharge \(england.nhs.uk\)](#)
5. [Chief Medical Officer's annual report 2023: health in an ageing society - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#)
6. [Health Wellbeing Strategy 2018 New branding.pdf \(rotherham.gov.uk\)](#)
7. [The Way Forward for Acute Frailty Same Day Emergency Care \(SDEC\) \(1\) - SDEC Collaboration Platform - FutureNHS Collaboration Platform](#)

## **Frailty Specific:**

[NHS England » FRAIL strategy](#)

<http://www.bgs.org.uk/FrailtyHub>

<http://www.bgs.org.uk/Blueprint> (Frailty Blueprint – 7 touchpoints & 12 recommendations)

<http://www.bgs.org.uk/elearning/2023-frailty-identification-and-interventions>

<http://www.england.nhs.uk/ourwork/clinical-policy/older-people/frailty/frailty-resources>

<http://www.acutefrailtynetwork.org.uk/>

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