

CARDIOVASCULAR CARE INITIATIVE OF THE YEAR

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WEST YORKSHIRE AND HARROGATE HEALTH AND CARE PARTNERSHIP AND YORKSHIRE AND HUMBER AHSN WEST YORKSHIRE AND HARROGATE HEALTHY HEARTS PROJECT

The West Yorkshire & Harrogate Health and Care Partnership has commissioned Yorkshire & Humber AHSN to deliver a Healthy Hearts project on behalf of the nine local NHS Clinical Commissioning Groups.

This is a large scale quality improvement project, across a population of 2.6 million people. The aim is to reduce the number of people affected by CVD by 10%, consisting of an estimated reduction of 800 heart attacks and 350 strokes over the course of the project by addressing the risk factors of hypertension, cholesterol and diabetes.

JUDGES COMMENTS

The judges found this to be an inspiring programme to prevent heart attacks and strokes at scale, with a systematic approach to optimising detection and management of high blood pressure and high cholesterol. The team showcased impressive results in improving care in large numbers of patients and demonstrated an improved use of primary care services alongside a wider range of allied healthcare professionals. This ultimately helped achieve significantly improved health outcomes alongside cost benefits. Overall, the programme brings a lot of added value across a system that will have undoubted patient benefit.



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HIGHLY COMMENDED



The Leeds Teaching Hospitals Trust Combined Heart Failure And Device services

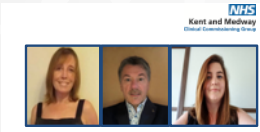
The Combined Heart Failure And Device (CHAD) clinic integrates numerous heart failure services in a single appointment to optimise cardiac device and medical therapy. Our novel clinic, led by heart failure nursing and healthcare science specialists adopts a preventative culture towards patient care to improve patient survival and quality of life, and reduce their risk of hospitalisation.

Each patient is assessed holistically by experienced professionals working collaboratively utilising device technology to detect early deterioration and initiate evidence-based therapy promptly. We offer tailored care promoting self-management while reducing the appointment burden of people living with heart failure and a cardiac device.

JUDGES COMMENTS

The judges felt that this entry demonstrated a clear commitment to improving service design to positively impact the outcomes for service users with heart failure. It is a truly innovative service designed around the needs of the patient rather than the needs of the service. The project also shows good dissemination of learning nationally through the wider networks and the opportunity to engage proactively in preventative care.

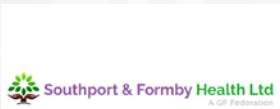
FINALISTS



Medway CCG Clinical Variation - Tackling Cardiovascular Disease in Primary Care

• Detect undiagnosed high risk patients

- Ensure patients receive all of their annual checks
- Work with partner organisations
- Increase the number of patients being offered healthy lifestyle options
- Reduce Clinical Variation for patients living with CVD conditions
- Detect patients in need of a medication review
- Introduce new detection methods in Clinical systems
- Engage with Community and National Healthy living providers
- Reduction in the number of Cardiovascular patients presented and admitted through A&E
- Reduction in Clinical Variation for patients living with long term conditions
- Increase in the number of annual checks
- Increase in the number of medication reviews



Southport & Formby Health Southport & Formby Community Cardiology Service

Southport and Formby Health (GP Federation) flagship service is a Community Cardiology Service which commenced on 1st April 2017

as a pilot scheme operating out of a local GP practice. The service is available to 120,000 patients in Southport and Formby. The service has been hugely successful and nearly three years on the Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) are looking to formally commission the service as the blueprint for all community cardiology services.

The service is clinically led by Dr Clare Hammond who is a consultant cardiologist and Dr Stuart Bennett who is a GP with a specialist interest in cardiology.



Tameside and Glossop CCG, Health Innovation Manchester and Interface Clinical Services Stroke/Atrial Fibrillation Project

Tameside and Glossop Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) identified a 'case for change' involving the management of Atrial Fibrillation (AF) in primary care and mobilised a collaborative project to prevent stroke incidence within the AF population.

The service was designed to improve all aspects of patient care from the correct identification and diagnosis of AF, to ensuring patients with AF are optimally anticoagulated. This was achieved through clinical system interrogation, virtual patient notes review and patient-facing clinics. This programme of work supported a 22% reduction in stroke admissions within the CCG in the period before the project commenced and post completion.



University Hospitals Plymouth Trust Piloting specialist heart failure nurse intervention in acute admissions and emergency care

As a small nurse led heart failure team currently set up to review inpatients, we felt more could be done in an emergency care setting to provide specialist nurse input for patients with heart failure/atrial fibrillation and other cardiac condition with an aim for same day emergency care. We identified that some heart failure patients do not need to have an acute admission but are admitted for symptom control, diagnostic tests and on-going treatment.

We embedded a heart failure specialist nurse service working through the emergency department and the Acute Assessment units to provide early intervention, management enabling patients to return home, achieving same day emergency care.