

WEST NORTHAMPTONSHIRE HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD

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Report Title	NHS Northamptonshire ICB Urgent and Emergency Care Strategy – Engagement
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Appendix A – UEC Strategy Slides HWBB

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1. This presentation is made to the Health and Wellbeing Board as part of the engagement process that is being undertaken as our Urgent and Emergency Care (UEC) strategy is finalised.

2. Executive Summary

- 2.1 The UEC Strategy proposes six key strands of work that will deliver revised pathways for patients who access unscheduled care in Northamptonshire. This is a strategy that underpins the Five Year Forward Plan that has already been approved for NHS Northamptonshire ICB and in particular the Recovering Independence multi-impact intervention.
- 2.2 The initial focus of the strategy is to support patients who have been diagnosed with a long term condition to live independently for as long as possible (“Maintaining Independence”). It then describes five further pillars of work that spans the continuum of urgent care services from community, primary, secondary and rehabilitative care all of which are aimed at supporting patients through their journey.
- 2.3 It ends with a detailed focus on pillar 6 which is aimed solely at “Recovering Independence” for those patients who need care post-hospital.

- 2.4 The UEC system in Northamptonshire is under increasing pressure and it is widely acknowledged that we must find alternative methods to support patients and in so doing, to support our services to provide care who are most at need. This strategy is aimed at commencing our journey in this regard.

3. Recommendations

- 3.1 The Health and Wellbeing Board is invited to discuss this proposed strategy and to offer any comments as it is finalised.

4. Report Background

- 4.1 This document is presented to consult and engage with the HWBB on the future direction for UEC services. It supports Live Your Best Life ambition 9 and the ICBs 5-year strategy.

5. Issues and Choices

- 5.1 The aim is to address the current gap between demand and capacity for UEC services and in particular to support citizens to live independently where possible in their own homes and where necessary to recover their independence following a period of ill-health.

6. Implications (including financial implications)

6.1 Resources and Financial

None at this time; all proposals will be subject to business cases that will need to be supported by individual organisations. At the present time these are in development for services that are included in the strategy such as Ageing Well, Dementia and Delirium and P2 bed re-provision.

6.2 Legal

None

6.3 Risk

There are no significant risks arising from the proposed recommendations in this report.

6.4 Consultation

- 6.4.1 This paper is presented as part of a consultative process

6.5 Consideration by Overview and Scrutiny

6.5.1 To date; the Overview and Scrutiny Committee has received proposals for the reprovision of some community bed provision overseen by Northamptonshire Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust. These aims are included in the overall direction of the strategy. There are no other elements that have been before the Committee.

6.6 Climate Impact

6.6.1 None foreseen

6.7 Community Impact

6.7.1 None foreseen other than an increase in LAP work to provide support and preventative services.

7. Background Papers

7.1 None