

HEREFORDSHIRE PRIMARY CARE TRUST

ACTION PLAN – STROKE SERVICES (March 2006)

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| Consultation | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Feedback to those who responded to the consultation document | P Sowerby | January 2006 | |
| 1. Stroke Prevention TIA assessment | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Determine from GPs their current referral patterns | T Jay | April 2006 | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete an analysis on how many patients should be identified on average for TIA clinics | Dr Colin Jenkins | April 2006 | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Determine a plan if required to increase the TIA service to meet demand | Dr Colin Jenkins/HHT Manager | June 2006 | |
| 2. Acute Stroke Care 2.1 Brain Imaging | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Agree with Radiology Department access to CT scanning at weekends and the process | Dr Colin Jenkins & Dr Peter Wilson | February 2006 | Meeting took place and informed this plan |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Determine how many patients GPs would want to directly refer for CT scans form home and why If appropriate develop a pathway where GPs could refer through the on-call physician for an urgent CT scan – enabling the patient to stay at home | T Jay Dr Jenkins/Dr Wilson | March – April 2006 | |
| 2.2 Holistic patient care | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Determine standard information and advice needed by patients. Provide information to this standard | Jenny Powell | April 2006 | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop training and workforce development plan for nurses, including dysphagia training | Helen Blanchard | April 2006 | |

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| 2.3 Direct Access to Stroke beds | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review the possibility of direct and rapid access to the stroke beds: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Including Ambulance protocols | Dr Colin Jenkins/HHT | July 2006 | |
| 2.4 Vision assessments | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Determine appropriate vision assessment for stroke patients • Share national requirements at Optometrist Stakeholder Day • Develop further action | Dr Colin Jenkins working with Ophth Clinical Imp Team | July 2006 | |
| 3. Stroke Rehabilitation: | | | | |
| 3.1 Development of proposals identifying Hillside as preferred option as inpatient rehab unit. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop proposal for Hillside to be identified as preferred option for acute stroke inpatient rehab and take to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Older Peoples Programme Board for agreement to go onto to further groups ○ Council discussions ○ Overview & Scrutiny Committee ○ Patient & Public Involvement Forum ○ Take proposal to Hillside Section 31 Board for discussion on the implications for the Section 31 agreement and approval to move forward | Trish Jay/Dr Jenkins/Peter Sowerby | January – February 2006 | <p>Feb 06 – Discussion re: stroke services at OP Board</p> <p>Paper to Cabinet member 6/2/06 & response</p> <p>Letter to OSC 24/2 & meeting on 23/3</p> <p>Letter 24/2 – awaiting response</p> <p>Paper to Section 31 Committee 13/3</p> |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Take proposal to the PCT Commissioning Committee for support and approval to move forward | | | Paper to Commissioning Committee on 21/3 |
| 3.2 Detailed work on the impacts of preferred option | Determine stroke bed utilisation usage (admissions/bed days) in the following categories: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acute • Rehabilitation • High dependency care in community hospitals for dense strokes | Trish Jay | January 2006 | Within the attached paper |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Determine impact of changes on patient flow in the wider health and care system and any changes in demand pattern. • Describe likely impact on performance measures (e.g. intermediate care targets) | Trish Jay, Chris Gill, Peter Sowerby, Graham Taylor, S Canham | February 2006 | Within the attached paper |
| | Determine numbers & develop proposals for alternative provision for Hillside Intermediate care users: | Trish Jay, Chris Gill, Peter Sowerby, Graham Taylor, S Canham | February 2006 | Within the attached paper |
| 3.2 If agreed through actions in 3.1 Planning a stroke service development at Hillside | Determine a Project Lead for the changes | Mike Thomas | March 2006 | |
| | Communicate with Hillside staff and manage staff changes including Liaise with staff and staff side representation | Graham Taylor & HR | March 2006 | |
| | Outline a project plan for the changes within a set timescale. | Graham Taylor, Jan Bruton & | April 2006 | |

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| | | Hillside Management Group | | |
| | Identify equipment, adaptations and associated costs | Jan Bruton | May 2006 | |
| | Review & determine future arrangements for medical responsibility for the unit | Dr Dalziel & Dr Jenkins | May 2006 | |
| | Review & determine future arrangements for pharmacy input | Julie Cohn | May 2006 | |
| | Identify workforce requirements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Staffing o Training and development o Changes to current patterns of work | Hillside Management Group | May 2006 | |
| 3.3 Implementation a stroke service development at Hillside | Implement project plan (Above Section 2) as agreed by Section 31 Committee | Graham Taylor | May – June 2006 | |
| | New service operational | | June 2006 | |
| 4. Longer Term Stroke care | Encourage Stroke patients to go onto the Expert Patient Programme. | EEP Co-ord | March 06 | |
| | Meeting between Stroke Association and PCT/HHT on developing a strategy for Longer Term Support | Trish Jay, Colin Jenkins, Peter Sowerby | January 2006 | Completed |
| | Develop proposal for developing Longer Term Support for patients who have had a stroke: Including outpatient clinics and outreach | Peter Sowerby Older people's wider reference | March - May 2006 | |

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| | therapy. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Consult on proposals | group | | |
| | Take the proposals for discussion and agreement to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Older Peoples Programme Board ○ PCT Commissioning Committee | Peter Sowerby | May 2006 | |
| 5 Other areas for development in the future | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Rehabilitation • Out-patient/Day Hospital Rehabilitation | | | |