

## Stroke Programme Briefing and Key Messages

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*Welcome to the Healthier Lancashire and South Cumbria Stroke briefing which aims to keep stakeholders informed and up to date on the work of this programme and other related items of information. Please visit our website for further information:  
<https://www.healthierlsc.co.uk/stroke>*

### **Integrated Community Stroke Rehabilitation Services**

This service is an essential element of improving the stroke pathway for all patients and is referred to as such in the NHS Long Term Plan.

In order to secure a more effective end to end stroke pathway across Lancashire and South Cumbria, CCGs have been presenting business cases to support the development/commissioning of these services to their internal Governing Bodies for approval.

Greater Preston CCG, Chorley and South Ribble CCG, Morecambe Bay CCG, Fylde & Wyre CCG and Blackpool CCG have been successful with their business cases. The business case for East Lancashire CCG and Blackburn with Darwen CCG is being considered in September 2019.

### **Stroke Workforce Workshop 07 November 2018 Feedback**

Following the Stroke Workforce Workshop on 07 November 2018, we would like to share some of the main themes identified on the day with you and provide a progress update.

Please see attached progress and feedback briefing.



## Stroke Rehabilitation Task and Finish Groups

The Stroke Programme have held various task and finish groups over the last few months to support continuous improvement within rehabilitation services.

Thank you to everyone who has attended the task and finish groups so far. The discussion and information has been invaluable. The outputs have been shared with the attendees.

## Training Videos for Stroke Rehabilitation

A task and finish group is being arranged to produce training videos for stroke rehabilitation staff members across Lancashire and South Cumbria.

If you have any ideas or would like to be involved please email:  
[lsc.strokeprogramme@nhs.net](mailto:lsc.strokeprogramme@nhs.net)

## Fundraising

For the second year running the MBHT Speech and Language Therapy team have completed the Holme Howler 10k Obstacle Challenge.

They raised over £300 for the Stroke Association, well done to all involved!



## **Joint Diagnostic/Stroke Consultant Workshop 18 July 2019**

A joint Diagnostic/Stroke Consultant workshop took place on 18 July for stroke and radiology teams, along with ICS Digital team colleagues, to explore the use of artificial intelligence for reading of scans.

It was an extremely positive session and all agreed that a Lancashire and South Cumbria approach should be taken to implement artificial intelligence for imaging for stroke patients, with an appetite to do this at pace.

A task & finish group has been arranged for 23 September to progress next steps.

## **Training Opportunities**

**Assessment of the Person in Vocational Rehabilitation** Thursday 26 September 2019

09:00-16:30pm- Grasshoppers, Preston

**Rehabilitation in Acute Facial Paralysis** Thursday 31 October 2019 09:00-16:00pm- Royal Lancaster Infirmary- Clinical Skills Lab

**Orthoptists Training** 05 November 9:30am to 4:30pm, University of Liverpool- For Stroke Team Clinicians

This one-day CPD course is aimed at stroke team clinicians interested in improving their knowledge and skills in the topic of stroke-related visual impairment

**Stroke Masterclass** 09 October- Park Hall Hotel, Chorley

This is a multi-disciplinary day open to all staff working in Stroke services. The event will be an information and training day with several workshops.

For more information on any of the above please contact: [lsc.strokeprogramme@nhs.net](mailto:lsc.strokeprogramme@nhs.net)

## **Training Feedback**

On Thursday 14 August rehabilitation staff from across Lancashire and South Cumbria attended a one-day Introduction to Social and Therapeutic Horticulture course.

“I valued the opportunity to have time to complete activity analysis when looking at tasks specifically related to gardening tasks, having a go and seeing a therapeutic garden already set up”

“I really enjoyed the course and have come away feeling enthusiastic and having lots of ideas and resources to start our own therapeutic horticulture group.”

“The trainer answered all our questions and most importantly emphasised that it wasn't about the garden, (that is just the therapy tool) but how the patient feels and what they get out of it”

### **Question and Queries**

This briefing is for use within your own organisation and across your local system, for discussion and information. Please feel free to include it on meeting agendas and circulation lists as you see fit. If you have any questions or queries, please contact [lsc.strokeprogramme@nhs.net](mailto:lsc.strokeprogramme@nhs.net) and we will endeavour to respond as soon as possible.