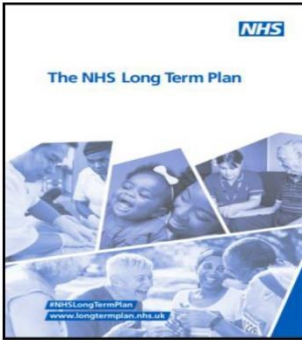


## Stroke Programme Briefing and Key Messages

### Issue 1: February 2019

*Welcome to the first edition of 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.*



#### NHS Long Term Plan

We were pleased to see that Stroke was included as one of the priorities in the NHS Long Term Plan which was published on the 7th January 2019. In addition, we were particularly pleased that the priorities we have been working on are aligned with the national direction of travel and priorities as outlined in the Plan.

For the full briefing please see attached. *(Document attached on page 4)*

### Programme Aims and Objectives

Following feedback from the Stroke Programme Board the aims and objectives of the programme have recently been refreshed to reflect the direction of travel and priorities.

#### Aim:

*To work with the population of Lancashire and South Cumbria on improving awareness of stroke, and the lifestyle choices that can reduce the risks of experiencing stroke.*

*To deliver high quality, safe, evidence-based treatment and care to those who have experienced stroke or are at increased risk of experiencing stroke in the future.*

For the full aims and objectives please see attached. *(Document attached on page 4)*

### Staff Engagement

We have been engaging with staff from all trusts in the footprint who work both directly in the trust and in the community. Information was shared on the progress being made to make improvements to the stroke pathway for patients and carers.

Staff were also given the opportunity to feedback and input on the work currently underway to develop an alternative ambulatory model.



## Patient Engagement

Throughout February and March, we will be continuing to visit stroke patients across Lancashire and South Cumbria to involve them in the work taking place to make sure that everyone has high quality, safe, evidence-based treatment and care for stroke.

To support the engagement activities, we have produced an easy read publication. (*Document attached on page 4*) which has been tested with a group of service users working with the Stroke Association.

Two wider patient events will be arranged in Spring 2019, details will be shared in the next briefing.



## Lancashire and South Cumbria GIRFT Event- Friday 01 March 2019

The National Getting It Right First Time (GiRFT) Regional Stroke Visit is taking place on 01 March 2019. National Clinical Lead Dr Deb Lowe will be facilitating the event with Dr David Hargreaves. Stroke teams from each of our acute sites will be in attendance.

The aim of the National GIRFT event is to run a quality improvement day to look at the entire stroke pathway across Lancashire and South Cumbria to help inform areas where quality improvement and partnership working, in collaboration, will deliver rapid improvements to patients' prognosis. This day will be supported by quality performance and outcome data, national recommendations and a report will be developed as an outcome of the day. Each stroke team will have the opportunity to discuss this with the National Clinical Leads.



## Stroke System Event- Tuesday 05 March 2019

A system wide event has been organised to share a regional update in relation to the Lancashire and South Cumbria Stroke Programme, share the National update in relation to Stroke, confirm financial elements and impact of the work and agree next steps.

The event will aim to ensure that there is a clear understanding of regional and local work and alignment with the National Long-Term Plan, financial elements and impacts, key decisions and responsibilities in terms of system decision making and provide clarity on next steps.

For more information and to secure a place please contact [katiawaugh@nhs.net](mailto:katiawaugh@nhs.net)

## Key Messages from the January 2019 Stroke Programme Board Meeting

### Good news!



£50,000 has been awarded from the Local Workforce Action Board for therapy-based training for Stroke staff across Lancashire and South Cumbria.

Details of training events will be shared in the next briefing.

£30,000 has also been awarded from the Local Workforce Action Board for NetSmart Advanced and Junior training.

### Life After Stroke Awards

We are pleased to announce that Elaine Day our Stroke Programme Lead won the Professional Excellence Award at the Life After Stroke Award ceremony at Manchester in January 2019.

Well done Elaine!



### End to end pathway

The end to end pathway for Stroke was endorsed at the Care Professionals Board on 25<sup>th</sup> January and at the Lancashire County Council Health Scrutiny Committee on the 5<sup>th</sup> February.

## Patient Focused

As well as an extensive patient/carer engagement programme we have a patient representative on our Stroke Programme Board, Clinical Reference Group and Clinical Pathways group and they have a standing agenda item at every meeting. We place great importance on the role our patient representative has within our programme and the views of the patients/carers we meet during our engagement activities.



## Poem from Jean Sherrington- Patient Representative

Please read our Patient Representative Jean Sherrington's poem. (*document attached below*)

## Documents



NHS Long Term Plan  
Briefing



Stroke Prog Aims  
Objectives Final Jan20



Healthier Lancs Easy  
Read 22.01.19.pdf



Jean's Poem  
2019.pptx

### 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.