

Core brief

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Introduction

A message from Jane Grant, Chief Executive to all staff.

Happy New year to you all, especially to the thousands of our staff who worked through Christmas and New Year to deliver and support care to our patients over the festive season.

Our acute hospitals are facing an extremely challenging period as significant patient numbers arrive at our emergency departments. In addition, a large number of those arriving for treatment are requiring to be admitted.

Despite our extra winter pressure measures, the increased demand on unscheduled care and inpatient admissions continues to present real challenges to staff and acute hospitals.

I am, however, very aware of the huge efforts from all staff to ensure patient services are delivered to the highest possible standard.

I am encouraged that the response from staff to address these challenges of growing demand at peak periods has been, and continues to be, very commendable.

I would personally like to thank each and every member of staff for their efforts over the last few weeks and your ongoing dedication to providing the best possible patient services.

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