

Core brief

Introduction

The Board of NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde met on Tuesday 22 October 2019. All the papers are available on our website at: www.nhsggc.org.uk. Here is a summary of the key items discussed at the meeting.

Moving Forward Together

Moving Forward Together is the Board's long-term strategic plan and vision for the future of health and care services in NHSGGC. By 2030 our vision is that services will be delivered through a tiered model of care, where care shall be delivered as close to home as possible, supported by a network of community services, with safe, effective and timely access to high quality specialist services for those whose needs cannot be met in the community. A whole system approach will be taken to achieve this in which services are delivered by a network of integrated teams across primary, community and specialist hospital-based care, working seamlessly around the needs of the person.

Board members received a detailed report on progress with Moving Forward Together. They were also advised of the challenges that require to be addressed in order to move from our current position to the new models of care set out in the Strategy, including the need to meet waiting times targets, address increasing demands on our Emergency Departments, increasing demand on care at home services and care home places and the need for further investment in both hospital and community infrastructure.

Given the limited availability of both capital and revenue funding, the Board agreed to a phased approach to the implementation of the Moving Forward Strategy with initial priorities to be delivered as follows:

- To address the increasing demand for unscheduled care services.
- To meet our elective waiting time commitments.
- To implement the GGC elements of the West of Scotland trauma network.

[The full paper can be read here.](#)

Winter Plan

The draft winter plan was considered by the Board. The Board noted the reduced availability of central funding this year to support winter and the sustained increase being experienced in demand for

emergency care, however acknowledged the whole-system approach to winter planning this year and were assured by the detail and preparedness of the plan.

The plan will now be submitted to the Scottish Government.

[To read the full paper click here.](#)

Research and Development Annual Report

Professor Julie Brittenden, Research and Development Director, attended the Board meeting to present the Research and Development Annual Report for 2018/19.

In the last year alone there were over 900 externally funded research studies ranging from observational to complex interventional studies across Greater Glasgow and Clyde.

These were led by approximately 500 clinicians and recruited over 9,000 patients, with many more patients attending for follow up visits.

A futuristic phone app which can help users and clinicians detect the onset of a psychotic episode, novel gene therapies, and new targets for cancer treatment and heart failure new drug trials are just some of the medical projects pioneered in Glasgow last year.

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