

Seeking Sustainable Health Services for the People of Huntingdonshire

Proposed Investment in Community Services

Short Briefing Paper for the Overview & Scrutiny Committee

1. Introduction

Following the meeting held on 2nd April 2007, the Committee requested details of how the proposed investment in community services would be made. This short briefing paper sets out this information.

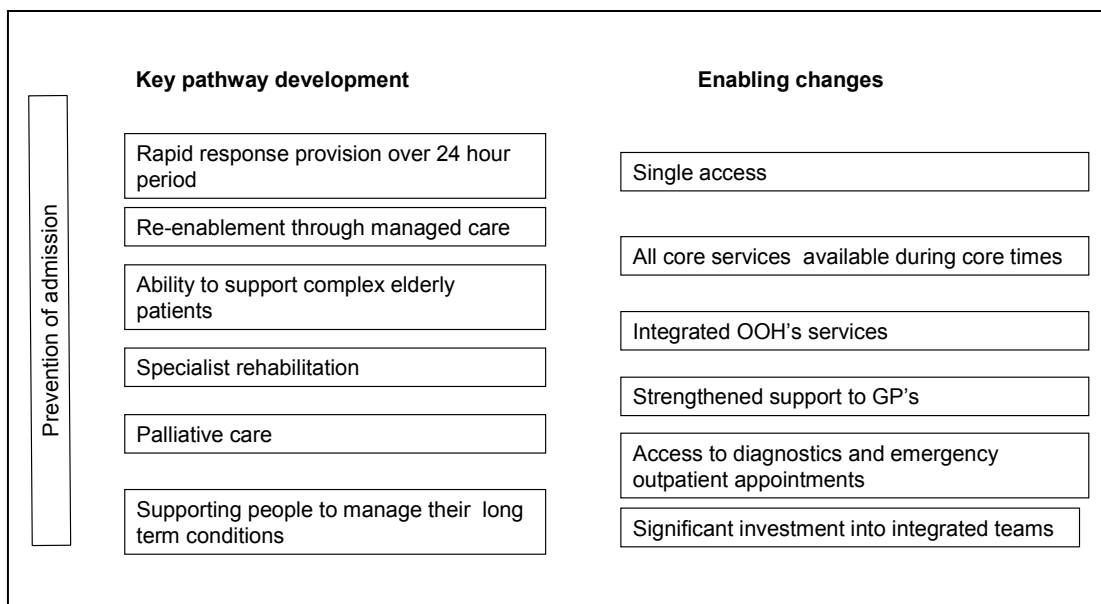
2. Proposed Investment

The Committee were advised at their last meeting on 2nd April that the model of care for community services was being considered and that discussions between the PCTs commissioning and provider services leads were well underway.

2.1 Model of Care

At that meeting, the new model of care was presented and is replicated in Figure 1 below.

Figure 1: Model of Care for Community Services



2.2 Investment Available

Page 67 of the Full Consultation Paper states a proposed investment of up to £2.3 million in integrated services for older people and £250k in additional medical input over 2007/8 and 2008/9.

The revised investment in additional medical input was included in the PCTs response to OSC for the 2nd April meeting and currently stands at £299k (response number 13). This leaves £2.201 million available for investment in integrated services for older people.

The following section maps the £2.201 million investment to the key pathway development areas described in Figure 1.

Key Pathway Development Area	Proposed Investment £	Notes
Rapid Response 24 hrs	700,000	
Re-enablement through Managed Care Specialist rehabilitation Palliative Care Supporting People to manage LTCs	901,000	Allocation of £901k to cover all four key pathway development areas
Complex Elderly Patients	600,000	
TOTAL	2,201,000	

The funding will be used to cover the cost of:

- Additional staff e.g. Senior Daily Living Assistants, District Nurses, Therapists
- Backfill to current teams
- Care Managers
- Limited administrative support (one post)
- Non pay and overheads
- Equipment
- Spot purchase nursing home beds as required

2.3 Current Position

Discussions are continuing regarding the details of the investment and its proposed phasing and the figures above may change but the total investment amount will remain unchanged.