



Humber, Coast and Vale Cancer Alliance

February 2020 Stakeholder Update

As part of our communications and stakeholder engagement plans, the Cancer Alliance would like to ensure that our stakeholders are kept informed on the latest news and developments across the Alliance.

A message from Phil Mettam, Chair

I am pleased to announce that Yvonne Elliott has been appointed as Managing Director for the Humber, Coast and Vale Cancer Alliance.

Yvonne, is an experienced Executive Director having spanned services across both primary and community care. She joins us from Primary Care Sheffield where she was Deputy Chief Executive and led on the development of new models for primary care at scale and is the Joint senior executive for the community mental health transformation national programme of change. Prior to this Yvonne was Deputy CEO for City Health Care Partnership in Hull and East Riding. During her career she has gained considerable experience of leading and mobilising large scale tenders and implementing complex organisational change at scale.

Yvonne will be starting with us on 27th March 2020 and will be spending time meeting with many of you, over the next few months, as she transitions in to her new role. I know that you will extend a warm welcome to Yvonne.

HCV CA Primary Care GP Cancer Lead

Humber, Coast and Vale CA, in partnership with CRUK, are funding a primary cancer GP role for 1 year. Expressions of Interest are being sought and the post advertised during March, with interviews during April.

The main purpose of this role is to:

- Provide strong primary care clinical leadership to the Cancer Alliance, ensuring primary care perspectives are integral to Cancer Alliance strategic planning, pathway development and cancer services transformation
- Be an effective influencer within the Alliance and across professional groups, like the clinical delivery groups developing excellent working relationships with individual stakeholders and their organisations
- Develop networks of primary care clinical leaders across the Alliance and be a conduit for broader engagement with primary care clinicians and wider primary care workforce

For more a discussion or for more information please contact Hayley.williams32@nhs.net or telephone 07923 209952

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Celebration Event 5th March 2020 11am to 4.30pm – York Racecourse

We are incredibly pleased to be hosting the first celebration conference on Wednesday 5th March at York Racecourse and thank you to everyone who has registered. If you have registered and can now not attend, please let us know at comms.hcvcanceralliance@nhs.net as all places have now gone and we would like to be able to offer spare places to those who would like them. An agenda for the day can be [click here](#).

Lung Health Check

The Lung Health Checks in Hull launched on Monday 27th January and an event to celebrate the start of the lung health check took place at the KCOM Stadium on 24th January where approximately 80 people attended.

The ceremony began with introductory speeches from Phil Mettam, Chair and Dr Stuart Baugh, Programme Director for the Lung Health Check programme. A short film explaining what the programme hoped to achieve was followed by addresses by the Deputy Director (Operations) for the NHS Cancer Programme, before those in attendance were invited to tour the Lung Health Check mobile unit, which is being used to carry out the lung health checks in various communities in Hull throughout 2020 and 2021.

The video from the Celebration event to mark the start of this new Service be viewed here.

To find out more about lung health checks in Hull, visit www.lunghealthcheck.org.uk or contact: trish.rawnsley@nhs.net

Diagnostics:

The team attended an imaging network leadership workshop in London providing an opportunity to share learning with other networks and to input into the development of expectations about what a good imaging network looks like. As the roll out of our workflow solutions moves closer to completion, additional working groups are being developed to take our collaborative ambitions forward and these will include specialty reporting groups and AI/innovation group and a group focussing on developing a coordinated workforce strategy.

We have expanded our thinking regarding the radiology SI event to include a wider range of case studies including discrepancies and complaints to maximise the opportunity for shared learning.

A meeting with colleagues from the YH genomics hub is planned, to discuss how developments in this field can support our patients and how we can coordinate the work of the hub and our local services.

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We continue to work with Health Education England to develop our aspirations for improved regional training facilities for endoscopy and other diagnostic services.

Rapid Diagnostic Centres (RDC)

We are pleased to confirm that the RDC at York is now live, with the first patient attending the service in January. Initial patient feedback has been positive. A draft five year proposal has been submitted to NHSE and we will now be working with our stakeholder groups to finalise the detail, particularly relating to the 2020-21 plans. A HCV wide stakeholder event is being planned for early in 2020-21 to develop our strategic approach to RDC delivery and ensure alignment across all related work streams within the partnership. Any enquiries, please contact Michaela.golodnitski@nhs.net

Treatment and Pathways

Colorectal Update

The Colorectal Clinical Delivery Group (CDG) meeting took place on 15th January 2020 at the Mercure Hotel, Willerby where the work plan for the year was agreed. The second CDG meeting is scheduled for 6th May 2020.

New Polyp Surveillance Guidelines have been published and will be implemented across the Humber, Coast and Vale area by 31st March 2020.

Additional NHSE funding is being provided to Alliances to support delivery of the polyp's surveillance guidance and the timed diagnostic pathways. [Here](#) is a link to the Joint Advisory Group (JAG) website and case study from St. Marks on implementation of the guidance.

All CDGs are also being asked to implement the MDT guidance that explores the Standards of Care work for each tumour site. This work is also being taken forward via the CDG. The guidance can be found [here](#).

FIT for low-risk symptomatic patients has been rolled out across the Humber, Coast and Vale area. For more information please contact hayley.williams32@nhs.net

Upper GI Update

The first Upper GI Clinical Delivery Group meeting took place on 31st January 2020 at the Mercure Hotel, Willerby where a work plan and membership for the year was agreed.

Phase 1 – Rapid pathway 28 days Faster Diagnosis standard, MDT standardisation. Phase 2 – sight specific groups

- MDT Standardisation - SoC currently under development
- Currently recruiting deputies for each provider

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Oncology

Changes to oncology services at Scarborough Hospital, Bridlington Hospital, Scunthorpe General Hospital and Diana, Princess of Wales Hospital, Grimsby took place at the end of January. The changes are in relation to consultant outpatient oncology appointments at Scunthorpe General Hospital which are now being delivered at Diana, Princess of Wales Hospital, Grimsby and consultant outpatient oncology appointments at Scarborough and Bridlington hospitals which are now being delivered at The Queen's Centre, Castle Hill Hospital. These are temporary changes being made on the basis of patient safety.

This is a short term measure which is necessary to continue to deliver quality and safe services across Northern Lincolnshire, Goole and the East Yorkshire coast. A review will take place three months after these changes. A long term strategy for the future provision of oncology services is currently underway as part of the Humber Acute Services Review, led by the Humber, Coast and Vale Health and Care Partnership.

Any patients who are impacted by these changes and have any questions regarding their care should contact the relevant trust in the first instance. Patients who are affected by changes to Scarborough Hospital or Bridlington Hospital can contact York Teaching Hospital NHS Foundation Trust by telephoning 01904 726262 or emailing pals@york.nhs.net those affected by changes at Scunthorpe General Hospital or Diana, Princess of Wales Hospital can contact Northern Lincolnshire and Goole NHS Foundation Trust on 03033 306301.

A brief paper detailing all the changes can be found [here](#)

A first meeting took place with South Yorkshire and Bassetlaw, West Yorkshire and Harrogate and HCV CAs met to discuss Oncology good practice. The overall aim is to develop a Yorkshire and Humber Alliance solution to deliver an equitable, high quality, outcome driven Oncology service to the Yorkshire & Humber population. Humber, Coast and Vale Cancer Alliance will commence this work and link in with the appropriate leads.

Living With and Beyond Cancer

Welcome to Karen Lindley who has joined the Cancer Alliance as the Macmillan Living With and Beyond Cancer Project Officer. While supporting the programme generally, she will particularly focus on developing an online directory of support and activities for those Living With and Beyond Cancer, and developing an audit tool to look at how Cancer Care Reviews are conducted and benefits to patients and any support required by primary care.

Breast Cancer Clinical Delivery Group meeting

The Breast Cancer Clinical Delivery Group meeting met for the first time on 31st January to network and receive updates on diagnosis and treatment options and personalised stratified follow up. Forty-five delegates attended with representatives from all three hospital trusts

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in Humber, Coast and Vale Cancer Alliance. Feedback was very positive and the next meeting will take place on Friday 3rd July 2020. Future areas of work for the group include ensuring there is better support for patients with metastatic breast cancer and developing and sharing joint guidelines.

Increase in the provision of personalised core care interventions offered to patients Data shows that more patients across Humber, Coast and Vale Cancer Alliance are being offered personalised core care interventions by hospital trusts including:

- More than twice the number of Holistic Needs Assessments were recorded as being offered to patients with breast, colorectal, prostate and lung cancers in quarters 1 and 2 of 2019/2020 than in the whole of 2018/19.
- The roll out of treatment summaries has begun in Hull University Hospital Trust and York Teaching Hospital NHS Foundation Trust. These give details of the cancer the patient has had, treatment given and its possible side effects, “red flag” signs and symptoms and who to contact if they have concerns.

For more information please contact Alison.cockerill@nhs.net

HCV Cancer Alliance Quarterly Newsletter

We are pleased to have produced our first quarterly newsletter which can be found [here](#).

The first newsletter is introduced by Phil Mettam, Chair of the Cancer Alliance. The first edition focuses on work taking place across the Alliance, including the introduction of Digital Pathology, launch of Lung Health Checks in Hull and Treatment Summaries at York Teaching Hospital NHS Foundation Trust. The newsletter also introduced two new Cancer Alliance Project Officers who are helping to increase cancer awareness and uptake of screening across our area and learn more about 5k Your Way, a national initiative that is helping those affected by cancer get active and build friendships.

If you would like to feature in a future edition, please email comms.hcvcanceralliance@nhs.net

Cervical Cancer Prevention Week

The 20th – 20th January was Cervical Cancer Prevention Week (CCPW), an initiative set-up by Jo’s Cervical Cancer Trust.

We used the Week as an opportunity to raise awareness of the signs and symptoms of cervical cancer across many community settings, talking to people about the importance of



taking up cervical screening invitations and booking their smear test at their GPs. We were also keen to understand the reason why women don't always take up their appointments.

Our Cancer Champion team delivered awareness sessions at a number of schools and colleges and also visited community venues to talk about cervical cancer and HPC. We also ran a week long social media campaign to #endsmearfear and #smearforfear providing information and advice for those worried about making an appointment and breaking the myths about cervical cancer and screening.

We were delighted that three employers across our area signed up to Jo's Trust's Time to Test pledge – Vale of York CCG, Unity Health and Photo My Product which encourages employees to attend their cervical screening appointment by giving them *time to test*.

All three organisations extended the *time to test* pledge to bowel and breast screening and we thank Jo's Cervical Trust for allowing us to incorporate these two other incredibly important screening programmes. For more information on *time to test* please [click here](#).

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