

PICTURE OF HEALTH : PROGRESS REPORT

INTRODUCTION

Following the public consultation exercise regarding 'A Picture of Health', NHS Lanarkshire considered a range of proposals at the Board meeting held on 27th June 2006. These proposals were submitted to the Scottish Executive and subsequently received approval from the Deputy Health Minister, Lewis MacDonald, on 21st August 2006.

At the meeting of 27th June 2006, it was considered that there were a number of services where further clarification and discussion was required with staff and patients to agree an appropriate configuration of identified clinical services. It was agreed that a progress report was to be provided to the October Board meeting of NHS Lanarkshire. Over the past few months, further discussions with clinical staff, stakeholders and patients have taken place in respect of:

- The establishment of a Lanarkshire Cancer Centre
- Provision of Rheumatology inpatient services
- Provision of Dermatology inpatient services
- Continuing Care beds for older people
- Palliative Care Services

This paper outlines the progress made to date and requests the NHS Lanarkshire Board to note the current position and approve the specific recommendations for Cancer and Dermatology Services.

Continuing Care For Older People, Rheumatology Inpatient Beds and Palliative Care Services:

Since the June meeting, further discussions have been undertaken with staff, stakeholders and patient representatives regarding the clinical design and service delivery of each of these three services which will take account of the criteria used for the configuration of other services, principally quality of care, costs and access.

At present there have been no firm conclusions to enable proposals to be presented to the Board and work will therefore continue to refine the development of a planned way forward. The Board is therefore requested to note that work is continuing and firm proposals will be brought forward for each of these care groups at a future meeting.

Establishment of a Lanarkshire Cancer Centre

Within 'A Picture of Health', it was intended that a new Lanarkshire Cancer Centre would be established as part of the reconfiguration of acute hospital services. At the Board meeting in June, it was noted that further discussions with clinicians, key stakeholders and patient representatives, along with the West of Scotland Cancer Centre (Beatson Oncology Centre) and the Cancer Clinical Networks was required to ensure that these highly specialised services are delivered and available when patients require them in the most appropriate location.

Appendix 1 outlines the work undertaken during the past few months to develop a clinical model that is supported by clinical staff, key stakeholders and patients groups, which has been translated into the establishment of a service model and which describes how services are to be organised for cancer services. The way forward described in Appendix 1 has the support of senior clinical staff within the Division, the NHS Lanarkshire Cancer Group, the Lanarkshire Cancer Nurse Specialist Group, patients representatives who attended the workshop and the Beatson Oncology Centre. In summary, the NHS Lanarkshire Board is requested to:

- Note the content of the progress report.
- Approve the establishment of the new Lanarkshire Cancer Centre based at Monklands Hospital which will consist of a purpose designed facility for the treatment of the great majority of cancer patients within Lanarkshire. The centre will include:
 - Specialist outpatient facilities for all consultant led Oncology and the majority of consultant led Haematology
 - The daycase facility for Oncology and the major daycase facility for Haematology
 - A five day inpatient Oncology ward
- Note that:
 - Nurse led chemotherapy clinics for appropriate treatments will be extended to all three sites to maximise local access
 - Non-malignant Haematology outpatients and daycases will continue to be seen on all three sites
 - Haematology inpatient beds will be at Hairmyres Hospital in view of the highly dependent nature of that small group of patients and a small satellite day case unit will be provided in association
- Note that 70% of breast surgery for cancer will be undertaken at Monklands Hospital
- Approve the establishment of the Maggie's Cancer Caring Centre at Monklands Hospital.

The above framework will provide a clear way forward and enable the commencement of planning work with all appropriate clinical staff, patients and public, to create the new cancer centre in accordance with the outlined service model.

Dermatology Services

Like the other services outlined above it was agreed that further work should be undertaken to clarify the way forward for the provision of Dermatology Services within Lanarkshire. The paper shown in Appendix 2 outlines the work undertaken to develop an outline clinical model and a framework for the service model. The exercise has involved clinical staff working within the current Dermatology services, key stakeholders and the involvement of patients and patient representatives in developing these models.

In summary the NHS Lanarkshire Board is requested to:

- Note the contents of the progress made to date outlined in Appendix 2.
- Approve the outline service model described in Appendix 2 which will provide inpatient beds on the planned care hospital site (Monklands Hospital) with the continuation of the current service model of outpatients and daycases on all three Acute hospital sites.

Approval of the above by the NHS Board will allow detailed planning to commence to develop in further detail the development of Dermatology services in parallel with the other planned changes in Acute hospital service provision.

Next Steps

In accordance with the response received from the Deputy Minister for Health and Community Care on 21st August 2006 it will be necessary to submit the decision of the NHS Board to the Scottish Executive to request formal approval of these proposals.

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