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| Inflow | 1.1 To provide consistent and useable information to enable patients to make informed choices about when and how to access the most appropriate urgent and emergency care service | 1.1.1 - Targeted Patient Information campaigns | CCGs reviewing potential to increase flu vacc uptake; LC offering vaccination to patients with a BMI >40 and their care homes workforce WL / ELR to develop proposal for similar service | R Vyas (LC CCG) / I Potter (WL CCG) / D Eden (ELR CCG) | LC - Nov 2015 WL - 21/12/2015 ELR - 21/12/2015 | Reduced risk of major flu epidemic | Increase in uptake of flu vaccs in targeted groups. CCGs baselines @ 31/10/2015 for Over 65y (target 75%) / Under 65y (target to increase on 2014/15 of 49.6%); LC - 61.5% / 36.6% WL - 60.6% / 32.7% ELR - 62.3% / 33.8% | 3. Some delay – expected to be completed as planned | LC care homes workers initiative completed. Patients with a BMI >40 to commence (Rach to advise date) LC scheme details being reviewed by WL and ELR with a view to implementation |
| Inflow | 1.1 To provide consistent and useable information to enable patients to make informed choices about when and how to access the most appropriate urgent and emergency care service | 1.1.1 - Targeted Patient Information campaigns | To deliver Stay Well (inc Flu) outreach campaign across LLR targeting hard to reach and at risk groups, carers, parents of children 0-10y, Partnership with voluntary sector and GEM outreach - ways to stay well, appropriate attendance locally per CCG Series of local public events Dec 2015 - Feb 2016 | R Crabb (LLR Urgent Care) | Dec 2015 - Feb 2016 | Increase public awareness of alternatives available | Target cohorts for outreach campaign per CCG to include; Parents of 0-5y, patients 65+y, LTC, carers groups, Age UK contacts, multiple deprivations Niche voluntary sector groups will in-reach to moderate/frequent flyers who are low volume high impact users | 4. On track | LC have Patient Engagement event 10/12/2015 WL have Patient Engagement event Jan 2016 ELR to advise of any planned events Outreach campaign commenced in WL Nov 2015 To undertake cross-referencing exercise during December for the identified lists with the hard to reach moderate/frequent flyers |
| Inflow | 1.1 To provide consistent and useable information to enable patients to make informed choices about when and how to access the most appropriate urgent and emergency care service | 1.1.1 - Targeted Patient Information campaigns | To develop consistent patient information for each UCC, WIC, City Hubs, ED Streaming Service, CRT, AVS, OPU To be disseminated in leaflet format; Artwork confirmed 11/12/2015 Distribution of info w/c 14/12/2015 Implement PDSA for direct public engagement @ LRI campus | R Crabb (LLR Urgent Care) | w/c 14/12/2015 | All front line clinicians to hand to patients at the end of their clinical consultation Increase public awareness of alternatives available | No of leaflets handed out and patient contacts made @ LRI campus, UCC Lo, City Hubs, EMAS See & Treat calls and CRT/AVS visits Baseline - not currently monitored Aiming for 100% distribution rate Average distribution per week based on current activity circa; UCC Le - 2,000 UCC Lo - 700 EMAS S&T - TBA CRT - 600 AVS - 350 City Hubs - 850, to be 1,740 | 4. On track | Discussion with printers complete and artwork confirmed GEM comms staff to undertake direct public engagement |
| Inflow | 1.1 To provide consistent and useable information to enable patients to make informed choices about when and how to access the most appropriate urgent and emergency care service | 1.1.2 - Roll out Patient service navigation app 'NHS Now' | Pilot launch and refinement in EL&R | T Sacks (ELR CCG) | 30/11/15 | Increase awareness & utilisation of alternatives | ELR baseline 600 downloads in first 2w | 5. Complete | Completed - roll out and refinements |
| Inflow | 1.1 To provide consistent and useable information to enable patients to make informed choices about when and how to access the most appropriate urgent and emergency care service | 1.1.2 - Roll out Patient service navigation app 'NHS Now' | Roll out to LC and WL CCGs: Review information databases Develop marketing & comms Go live | R Vyas (LC CCG) / I Potter (WL CCG) | w/c 07/12/2015 w/c 14/12/2015 w/c 21/12/2015 | Increase awareness & utilisation of alternatives | Anticipating 1000 downloads per week across LLR over next four weeks | 3. Some delay – expected to be completed as planned | ELR to write analytics and advise of downloads as hosts of the app Delay in disseminating information for review Soft launch in WL CCG |
| Inflow | 1.1 To provide consistent and useable information to enable patients to make informed choices about when and how to access the most appropriate urgent and emergency care service | 1.1.2 - Roll out Patient service navigation app 'NHS Now' | Explore link to real time waiting information for ED/UCC services | S Smith (LLR Urgent Care) | 31/03/16 | Increase awareness & utilisation of alternatives | Monitoring on a weekly basis of hits per CCG | 1. Not yet commenced | To be added to Phase 2 as functionality not available for Phase 1 |
| Inflow | 1.2 To improve 7 day urgent access (same/next day) to primary care services | 1.2.1 - Extended GP services | Leicester City CCG: Hubs hours of operation M-F 18:30-22:00 S-S 09:00-22:00 Increasing utilisation of City Hubs; Continue application of comms strategy Implement remote booking by EDSS Implement remote booking by NHS111 | S Prema (LC CCG) | Weekly Weekly Live from 23/11/2015 | Decrease in ED attendance/Increased access primary care | Current baseline for LC w/e 06/12/2015 - 782 appts booked of the 1,700 available per week (45.2%) | 3. Some delay – expected to be completed as planned | Increase in weekly utilisation to be reported Sundays remain significantly more quiet than the rest of the week LC CCG to advise of EDSS remote booking functionality |
| Inflow | 1.2 To improve 7 day urgent access (same/next day) to primary care services | 1.2.1 - Extended GP services | West Leics CCG: Implement West Leics GP on the day access scheme | A Bright (WL CCG) | 07/12/15 | Increased availability of appointments | Expected 85% uptake by general practice which would give additional 367 appointments per day | 4. On track | Spec to all WL practices 03/12/2015 Confirmation of practice uptake by 14/12/2015 Current position @ 18/12/2015 40 of the 49 practices have confirmed participation, giving 1,079 additional appts per week |
| Inflow | 1.2 To improve 7 day urgent access (same/next day) to primary care services | 1.2.1 - Extended GP services | West Leics CCG: Hours of operation 08:00-22:00 Implement West Leics primary care weekend access scheme targeting 2% at risk / end of life / moderate-frequent flyer patients | A Bright (WL CCG) | 05/12/15 | Reduction in ED attendance and EA for at risk cohort | Expected 100 extra patient contacts per weekend Utilisation for the first weekend (without full participation) was 12 contacts | 4. On track | Federations all signed up Implemented service 05/12/2015 in conjunction with AVS |
| Inflow | 1.2 To improve 7 day urgent access (same/next day) to primary care services | 1.2.1 - Extended GP services | ELR CCG: Coverage of total ELR population increased from 10% to 30% (95,000 patients) in Dec 2015. This equates to 3%-5% (2,850 to 4,750) complex patients who have weekend access | T Sacks (ELR CCG) | 21/12/15 | Reduction in ED attendance and EA for at risk cohort | Supporting an anticipated 50 patient contacts per weekend day | | 5 GP practice hubs have signed up for roll out in December 2015 |
| Inflow | 1.3 To extend range and timing of alternative UCC services for immediate but non-life threatening conditions | 1.3.1 - Urgent home visiting service (Crisis Referral Team /Acute Visiting Service) including direct referrals from care homes | LC CCG & WL CCG: Optimise appropriateness of use of existing SSAFA CRT and AVS services by; ECPs to undertake daily audit of referrals SSAFA to inform CCGs weekly of any inappropriate use CCGs leads to contact practices directly to discuss WL to submit BCF request for funding of 1 WTE ECP for dedicated triage to allow extended daily coverage Extend AVS West Leics hours of operation at weekends | A Bright (WL CCG) / S Prema (LC CCG) | Monthly review 08/12/2015 05/12/2015 | Urgent home visit requests earlier in the day, reduction in care home calls to EMAS | Monthly monitoring Current utilisation as at 31/10/2015; LC - 611 visits per month of 502 contracted capacity WL - 340 visits per month of 350 capacity Additional appointments offered and utilised Linked to the WL Weekend Access Scheme to see 100 extra patients per weekend | 4. On track | Enhanced phone system and dedicated triage within CRT & AVS Address the highest and lowest GP practice users to target both inappropriate referrals and under-utilisation ELR SSAFA service commencement 11/01/2016 TBC |
| Inflow | 1.3 To extend range and timing of alternative UCC services for immediate but non-life threatening conditions | 1.3.1 - Urgent home visiting service (Crisis Referral Team /Acute Visiting Service) including direct referrals from care homes | ELR CCG: Establish ELR in-car visiting service by; Activity review to inform pilot area Identify level of funding to requested through BCF Identify workforce Implement for trial | T Sacks (ELR CCG) | 01/12/2015 08/12/2015 09/12/2015 18/01/2016 | Urgent home visit requests earlier in the day, reduction in care home calls to EMAS | Anticipated 100 patient contacts per month to Service | 4. On track | An initial area of Oadby/Wigston/Blaby/LFE identified Rob has approached SSAFA Board for sign off BCF funding application approved ELR SSAFA service commencement 11/01/2016 TBC |

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| Inflow | 1.3 To extend range and timing of alternative UCC services for immediate but non-life threatening conditions | 1.3.2 - Implement Loughborough UCC extended care pathways | Maximise appropriate use of increased specialist medical cover 9am - 10pm Monday-Friday, 10am - 10pm at weekends to allow increased referrals from GPs, AVS and EMAS UCC Lo clinicians to ride with EMAS crews to promote referrals to UCCs during Dec-Jan | C Tierney-Reed (WL CCG) S Court (CNCS) / Tim Slater (EMAS) | 01/11/2015 31/01/2016 | Reduction in referrals to ED for ambulatory conditions | Number of referrals to extended pathways; Phased trajectory of avoidable emergency attends Nov 2015 - anticipated 130, actual 30 Cumulative total of extended pathways capacity at 31/03/2016 anticipated to be 850, of which 450 would be avoidable emergency attends No. of EMAS shifts attended by UCC clinicians Utilisation of UCC Lo for Oct 2015 was 3,604 appts vs capacity of 3,750 appts | 4. On track | Completed - implemented on time Updated EMAS Pathfinder and NHS111 DoS Additional GP comms to practices regarding no of cases seen during November, types of cases, case studies, match real time data during December to measure impact on acute care/999 conveyances Tim Slater has provided assurance that EMAS will provide insurance cover for CNCS staff riding with ambulances |
| Inflow | 1.3 To extend range and timing of alternative UCC services for immediate but non-life threatening conditions | 1.3.3 - Increase referrals from OOH GPs to alternative services | Communication to OOH GPs regarding UCC Lo enhanced GP pathways Weekly review of ED attendances following OOH contact within preceding 24h Reinforce all LLR non-ED options available to OOH GPs Improve internal tracking of referrals by OOH GPs | R Haines (CNCS) | 14/12/2015 15/12/2015 15/12/2015 14/12/2015 | Increased use of alternatives to admission by OOH GPs | Increased utilisation of alternatives to admission above current baseline position Current baseline TBC Weekly monitoring of final patient dispositions; telephone consult face to face consult referral to OOH clinic, UCC, ED, CRT, social care | 3. Some delay – expected to be completed as planned | Awaiting activity monitoring |
| Inflow | 1.3 To extend range and timing of alternative UCC services for immediate but non-life threatening conditions | 1.3.4 - ELR CCGs 4 Urgent Care Centres | Deliver increased utilisation of appts Winter 2015/16 compared to Winter 2014/15 | T Sacks (ELR CCG) | 18/12/15 | Reduction in referrals to ED | Utilisation of 3,200 additional appointments available 18/12/2015 - 31/01/2016 than last Winter Reduction in LLR and OOA ED attendances at peripheral hospitals over the Christmas & New Year period | 6. Complete and regular review | Weekly utilisation to be demonstrated within enhanced Inflow Dashboard ELR to scope potential for increased capacity @ Oadby site |
| Inflow | 1.3 To extend range and timing of alternative UCC services for immediate but non-life threatening conditions | 1.3.5 - Implementation of live waiting times data feeds for the public to access | Web page, with URL links available for other devices to use, showing the live waiting time at each LLR UCC/WIC | R Crabb (LLR Urgent Care) | 11.01.16 | Reduction in self-referrals to ED | Once service commenced, to monitor no. of hits | 1. Not yet commenced | Adastra feed available UHL feed available but still outstanding TPP not willing to commit to availability or timescale of information feed for SystmOne sites |
| Inflow | 1.4 To reduce EMAS conveyance to LRI | 1.4.1 - Implement mobile device (smartphone) with MDoS access | Rapid roll out across LLR crews with link to live waiting times web page, 400 front line staff to have use of devices. | T Slater (EMAS) | Jan-Mar 2016 | Awareness for crews of alternatives to admission | Increased utilisation of alternatives to admission above current baseline by front line staff | 3. Some delay – expected to be completed as planned | Pilot testing occurred to decide device of choice |
| Inflow | 1.4 To reduce EMAS conveyance to LRI | 1.4.2 - Increase use of alternatives to admission by EMAS crews by referral to UCC Lo and OPU, ELR UCCs, LC Hubs and use of Falls Pathway | EMAS CAT to be able to directly book into City Hubs All new services to align to Pathfinder outcomes ELR UCCs to confirm that they capture direct and indirect EMAS referrals | T Slater (EMAS) | weekly review 14/12/2015 | Increased use of alternatives to admission by EMAS crews | EMAS to develop own metric for reduction of conveyances to ED/UCCs Current baseline for use of alternatives by EMAS crews @ Oct 2015; UCC Le - 0 (not currently measured) WIC Le - 0 (not currently measured) UCC Lo - 33 (target 40) OPU - 4 (target 18) AVS - 1 (target 40) CRT - TBA LC Hubs - 0 (not currently measured) UCCs ELR - 0 (not currently measured) Falls Pathway - c50% (target up to 75%) | 3. Some delay – expected to be completed as planned | EMAS to develop own metric for reduction of conveyances to UHL ED. EMAS (WL) doing ground work on proposal to increase nursing capacity in CAT |
| Inflow | 1.4 To reduce EMAS conveyance to LRI | 1.4.3 - SSAFA to be reflected as a Pathfinder disposition | Include AVS/CRT as alternative service on version2 | T Slater (EMAS) | 14/12/15 | Referrals by EMAS to SSAFA | see above | 6. Complete and regular review | Pending the new Pathfinder booklet, we have provided our crews and clinicians with a local directory of services including AVS, CRT and back-office GP numbers. |
| Inflow | 1.4 To reduce EMAS conveyance to LRI | 1.4.4 - Develop process to enable EMAS access to GP medical opinion and prescriptions; In hours Out of hours Circulate Service description to all front line staff (daily to ensure all EMAS shifts covered) | In hours via UCC Lo enhanced GP resource as a pilot (assuming CNCS CG approval) Out of hours via the CNCS HCP line | T Slater (EMAS) / S Court (CNCS) | 14/12/15 | Non conveyance and increased use of alternatives to admission | EMAS use of OOH HCP line TBA No of consults to UCC Lo to be advised once commenced | 3. Some delay – expected to be completed as planned | Simon Court at CNCS mtg 10/12/2015 to discuss and sign off Tim Slater to advise of current EMAS contact levels with CNCS OOH HCP line |
| Inflow | 1.4 To reduce EMAS conveyance to LRI | 1.4.5 - Dedicated GP patients transport as pilot extension to existing service where transport is provided for a range of clinics | Implement additional service via Bed Bureau for appropriate GP urgent transport for patients not requiring a clinical chaperone Rapid testing in Leic City with focus on LE2, LE3, LE5 to inform roll out Comms to GP practices to promote default of self-transportation where a clinical chaperone is not required | R Vyas (LC CCG) | w/c 14/12/2015 | Freeing up EMAS capacity/reduction in batching | No of patients transported by dedicated transport crews | 2. Significant delay – unlikely to be completed as planned | RVS now unable to deliver to required specification and timetable In contact with TMAS and CNCS OOH for an immediate solution CNCS have provided costing Julie Dixon provide Trust Medical costing 10/12/2015 Comms to Bed Bureau / GPs and implementation w/c 14/12/2015 |
| Inflow | 1.4 To reduce EMAS conveyance to LRI | 1.4.6 - Reduce referrals to EMAS from NHS111 and OOH | Review referral activity to identify scope for alternative dispositions to LRI ED | Will Legg (EMAS) | TBC | | | | New action identified through UNIPART exercise |
| Inflow | 1.5 To minimise the need for GP initiated/related admission to acute hospital | 1.5.2 - Improve process by which GPs refer to UHL for specialist opinion/admission | Review early experience in November of Pathway Coordinators in Bed Bureau | Sarah Smith (LLR Urgent Care) | 10/12/15 | Review has informed a discontinuation of this service | Review has informed a discontinuation of this service | 7. Closed | Changes in UHL pathways have resulted in no need for clinical navigator roles. Bed Bureau Call Assessment Frameworks being written for each patient pathway to inform a gap analysis of breakdowns in patient flow |
| Inflow | 1.5 To minimise the need for GP initiated/related admission to acute hospital | 1.5.2 - Improve process by which GPs refer to UHL for specialist opinion/admission | Implementation of 'Consultant Connect' telephone advice for respiratory and gastro patients who are at risk of admission | Julie Dixon (UHL) | 14/12/15 | Reductions in inappropriate emergency attends where there are suitable alternatives available | Collate nos of contacts for advice by GPs | 2. Significant delay – unlikely to be completed as planned | UHL liaising with Consultant Connect to develop consultant hunt groups and agree implementation date Further update required at next EQSG |
| Inflow | 1.5 To minimise the need for GP initiated/related admission to acute hospital | 1.5.2 - Improve process by which GPs refer to UHL for specialist opinion/admission | Understanding remit and current specification of ambulatory clinics to understand appt timeframes | Catherine Free | 10/12/15 | Ensure 'rapid' clinics are in fact rapid Increase utilisation of clinics by GPs and EDSS | All rapid access pathways accessible within intended timeframes. Improved utilisation of ambulatory clinics capacity by GPs and EDSS | 6. Complete and regular review | New Action - GPs to advise of clinics they are experiencing difficulties with Update on 22/12: Timeframes have been checked with each service and added to front of directory to facilitate feedback if issues arise with slot availability |
| Inflow | 1.5 To minimise the need for GP initiated/related admission to acute hospital | 1.5.2 - Improve process by which GPs refer to UHL for specialist opinion/admission | Implement rapid cycle testing by placing a GP in ED to observe the assessment and decision making process by ED clinicians, producing recommendations for community-based alternatives and the role of the care plan in supporting decision making | C Tierney-Reed (WL CCG) | 10/12/15 | Increased utilisation of care plans to inform treatment pathway Feedback to GPs where care plans are not available for at risk patients | No of primary care records accessed, to include care plans and medications | 6. Complete and regular review | Visit has been done Report produced Recommendations to be actioned |
| Inflow | 1.5 To minimise the need for GP initiated/related admission to acute hospital | 1.5.2 - Improve process by which GPs refer to UHL for specialist opinion/admission | Deploy LHIS support to; Access GP care plans for ED clinicians and upskill ED ward clerks in accessing primary care information Reinstate dedicated IT support to ED | C Tierney-Reed (WL CCG) John Clarke (UHL) | 14/12/2015 TBC | Increased utilisation of care plans to inform treatment pathway Feedback to GPs where care plans are not available for at risk patients | No of care plans accessed | 4. On track | See above Dr Ffion Davies contacted John Clarke to request support - awaiting update Action plan developed and ongoing monitoring now required |

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| Inflow | 1.6 To continuously review activity data to identify patients/groups potentially amenable to alternative care plans/services | 1.6.1 - Regular attenders picked up and management plans agreed across agencies | WL to develop SOP based on current process for weekly review of real time data to share with ELR & LC Utilise review of real time data to target moderate/frequent flyers, paed (particularly 0-10y) CCG leads to contact individual GP practices directly to discuss alternative services ELR and LC to circulate and adopt WL SOP | C Tierney-Reed (WL CCG) / D Eden (ELR CCG) / R Vyas (LC CCG) | 11/12/2015 14/12/2015 14/12/2015 | Reduction in frequency of attendance/admission for target patients | Target cohort is ED attends via ambulance to be reviewed Nos of patients who died in the department (consider presence of care plan) Nos of frequent attenders Nos of patients admitted where an alternative service could have been considered (UCC, OPU, AVS) Baselines per CCG; WL - circa 250 records reviewed every week with circa 110 reviewed in more detail, circa 5 GP practices contacted per week | 3. Some delay – expected to be completed as planned | SOP shared WL CCG system fully operational LC CCG and ELR CCG to advise of progress to date |
| Inflow | | 1.6.2 - Short stay admissions | Specific review of ED attends / Em Adms for Paeds & Gynae LCCG to Organise Patient info sessions in high usage areas; undertake a book bag drop in every city school 'when should I worry' booklet; To Assess viability of providing community pathway at Westcotes Health Centre WL to develop targeted comms campaign as part of outreach campaign (see 1.1) re: use of UCC Lo by parents / carers ELR conducting deep dive analysis of all Em Adms | R Vyas (LC CCG) / R Mitchell (UHL) S Venables (WL CCG) / R Crabb (LLR Urgent Care) D Eden (ELR CCG) | 21/12/2015 11/12/2015 14/12/2015 | Detailed understanding of short stay presentations | Reductions in Paeds and Gynae short stay activity Increase in Paeds presentations to UCC Lo | 3. Some delay – expected to be completed as planned | LCCG - Data analysis complete to understand activity flow and Leaflets ordered, Book bag drop in place before by 18.12.15 GP's representatives from across the CCGs to observe in both ED and GAU/UAU/CAU to understand what primary care can do differently on Thurs 17th and w/c 21st Dec Previously written SOP for gynae community pathway being re-assessed WLCCG - Plan in place to target Surestart, Mother and Toddler groups and similar with winter messages. |
| Inflow | | 1.6.3 - UHL admission variance YTD by CCG and condition | UHL to identify key variances YTD by CCG and condition to inform development of further targeted plans | R Mitchell (UHL) | 18/12/15 | Detailed understanding of presentations | Review commenced, analysis to be shared with CCG colleagues w/c 21.12.15 | 2. Significant delay – unlikely to be completed as planned | We are further analysing the information presented at UCB in October to identify where the greatest increases have occurred by age, presenting condition and CCG. The aim is to complete by 18th December. This has been delayed because of recent CQC requests. |
| Flow | 2.1 To reduce delays in ambulance handover times at the LRI site | 2.1.2 - Learning from best practice elsewhere | Look at QMC systems and processes | Richard Mitchell | w/c 30/11/15 | | Overall improvement in key KPIs | 2. Significant delay – unlikely to be completed as planned | QMC has been contacted and planning a visit w/c 21st |
| Flow | 2.1 To reduce delays in ambulance handover times at the LRI site | 2.1.3 - Pre-admission space | Transition area protocol and staffing arrangements | Richard Mitchell | w/c 30/11/15 | EMAS crews freed up to respond to incoming calls in the community | Fewer lost hours and zero 2 Hr+ delays | 6. Complete and regular review | Transition area protocol signed off. We are trying to staff facility every shift and this has been used 3 times in the last 14 days. |
| Flow | 2.1 To reduce delays in ambulance handover times at the LRI site | 2.1.5 - To complete SOP supporting the streaming of patients from EMAS to the streaming service and implement | | Sam Leak | 31/12/15 | | Increase in ambulance streaming to UCC | 4. On track | Update on 16/12: SOPs in place. Updates needing following latest changes. |
| Flow | 2.2 To ensure walk in patients at the LRI campus are assessed and streamed direct to the most clinically appropriate service | 2.2.3 - Consider extension of current service to 12am | | Richard Mitchell | Lead in time once funding has been confirmed | Reduction in number of patients attending main ED and therefore a reduction in ED occupancy | Further decrease in referral rate from UCC to ED | 4. On track | RM, Julie Dixon and Lakeside have met to discuss this. Lakeside would like to extend the hours per day that the service is provided but are cautious because of challenges in fully staffing the current 0900 – 2100 rota. If authorised by the CCGs we believe we can deliver an extension to midnight noting an extension will cost more money. A three hour extension will cost circa £87,000 per month. RM has already authorised Lakeside to look at extending the scope of their service eg increased interaction with UCC and minors and are working up a proposal at the moment. |
| Flow | 2.2 To ensure walk in patients at the LRI campus are assessed and streamed direct to the most clinically appropriate service | 2.2.4 - To increase the number of patients redirected by the streaming service to community alternatives/ambulatory clinics | | Julie Dixon | 31/01/16 | Reduction in number of patients attending main ED and therefore a reduction in ED occupancy | Increased proportion of patients diverted to alternative services | 1. Not yet commenced | Julie and Stuart Maitland- Knibb will explore this |
| Flow | 2.2 To ensure walk in patients at the LRI campus are assessed and streamed direct to the most clinically appropriate service | 2.2.5 - To relocate OOH service from clinic 4 to the UCC | | Julie Dixon | 31/01/16 | better flow within UCC | N/A | 1. Not yet commenced | Julie and Stuart Maitland- Knibb will explore this |
| Flow | 2.2 To ensure walk in patients at the LRI campus are assessed and streamed direct to the most clinically appropriate service | 2.2.6 - To increase the range of near patient testing within the UCC | | Julie Dixon | 31/01/16 | Reduction in number of patients attending main ED and therefore a reduction in ED occupancy | Further decrease in referral rate from UCC to ED | 1. Not yet commenced | New action |
| Flow | 2.2 To ensure walk in patients at the LRI campus are assessed and streamed direct to the most clinically appropriate service | 2.2.7 - To establish pathway in UCC to assess ambulatory patients from GPs | | Julie Dixon | 31/01/16 | Reduction in number of patients attending main ED and therefore a reduction in ED occupancy + reduction in admissions | Reduction in volume of GP referrals needing to access ED | 1. Not yet commenced | |
| Flow | 2.2 To ensure walk in patients at the LRI campus are assessed and streamed direct to the most clinically appropriate service | 2.2.8 - To establish pathway to direct OOH patients through the streaming service | | Julie Dixon | 31/01/16 | Reduced demand on OOH service | Reduction in OOH attendances | 1. Not yet commenced | New action |
| Flow | 2.2 To ensure walk in patients at the LRI campus are assessed and streamed direct to the most clinically appropriate service | 2.2.9 - To establish observation room in UCC to both reduce admissions and if appropriate enable direct admissions by passing ED | | Julie Dixon | 31/01/16 | Reduction in number of patients attending main ED and therefore a reduction in ED occupancy + reduction in admissions | Reduction in ED attendances and in majors congestion | 1. Not yet commenced | New action |
| Flow | 2.2 To ensure walk in patients at the LRI campus are assessed and streamed direct to the most clinically appropriate service | 2.2.10 - To route all GP urgents through bed bureau including those with a GP letter currently presenting to minors | | Lee Walker | 31/01/16 | Reduction in number of patients attending main ED and therefore a reduction in ED occupancy + reduction in admissions | Improvement in GP referrals via ED metric | 1. Not yet commenced | New action |
| Flow | 2.3 To ensure adequate ED nurse staffing levels to maintain 5/6 assessment bays | 2.3.1 - Increase ED nursing establishment to 28 plus 2/3 for transition area | Agency 'long lines' increased through to 11 Jan | Julie Smith | Complete | ED assessment bays operating at full capacity | No. assessment bays and resus bays operational | 6. Complete and regular review | Authorisation to long line agreed w/c 23 November. Fill rate has been marginal although has increased ability to fill the baseline staff levels. |
| Flow | 2.3 To ensure adequate ED nurse staffing levels to maintain 5/6 assessment bays | 2.3.2 - ED establishment and skill mix review | Review skill mix, numbers of staff and roles in place and refresh if indicated | Julie Smith | 31/01/16 | Balance of staffing and skill mix to demand | No. assessment bays and resus bays operational | 4. On track | Julie Smith and Maria McAuley are working on this as part of the establishment review process that is taking place on all wards and departments. |

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| Flow | 2.4 To accelerate the admissions process from ED to base wards | 2.4.1 - Scope feasibility of introducing movement of patients from ED to base wards earlier in bed identification process to streamline admission | Development of protocol for consideration by UCB and discussion with CQC | Richard Mitchell | 10/12/15 | Improved flow out of the ED | Reduced time from decision to admit to patients leaving ED | 6. Complete and regular review | Draft SOP completed and signed off at EQSG. Tried last week on Wards 37 and 38. Feedback coming to EQSG this week. Sharron Hotson discussed with CQC in November. Update on 16/12: Julie S, Julie D and Gill to develop short paper with summary of trial, updated protocol and next steps |
| Flow | 2.4 To accelerate the admissions process from ED to base wards | 2.4.2 - To consider Relocation of bed bureau to enable expansion of service.. | | Julie Dixon | End of January | More efficient working | Reduced time to bed allocation and improvement in GP refs via ED metrics | 1. Not yet commenced | New action |
| Flow | 2.4 To accelerate the admissions process from ED to base wards | 2.4.3 - To develop patient facing script for bed bureau service re mode of transport to reduce EMAS dispatch /late arrivals | | Julie Dixon | End of January | Reduction in patient transport demand | Reduction in number of transports booked | 1. Not yet commenced | New action |
| Flow | 2.5 To maximise availability/flexibility of safely staffed bed capacity | 2.5.1 - Reschedule some elective activity from Monday's to weekends | Reduce elective work for 2-3 weeks in January 2016 in anticipation of the predicted spike in non-elective activity | Richard Mitchell | 01/01/16 | Surgical ward capacity freed up to support medicine | Additional medical bed capacity during January | 4. On track | Plans to reduce elective work between Christmas and the third week in January. However, in reality this is already taking place due to the very high cancellation rate. This means that we will not see a further benefit from this action. |
| Flow | 2.5 To maximise availability/flexibility of safely staffed bed capacity | 2.5.2 - Identify opportunities to deliver UHL activity away from the 3 acute sites | Scope feasibility of creating cardio-respiratory ward capacity at Loughborough | Kate Shields | TBA | Freed up acute ward capacity | No. acute hospital beds operational | 7. Closed | This will not take place due to clinical suitability, however further actions are being explored. |
| Flow | 2.5 To maximise availability/flexibility of safely staffed bed capacity | 2.5.2 - Identify opportunities to deliver UHL activity away from the 3 acute sites | Review potential for re-commissioning space on wards used for non-clinical purposes | Darryn Kerr | 04/12/15 | Physical potential to create additional bed capacity | Number of acute hospital beds | 6. Complete and regular review | In the last month additional gastro, oncology and paediatric beds have been opened. A further piece of work is taking place to open additional beds and we are also confirming required bed capacity for 16/17. It is worth noting that ability to open additional beds is dependent on access to increased staffing levels. |
| Flow | 2.5 To maximise availability/flexibility of safely staffed bed capacity | 2.5.3 - Improve utilisation of all available and appropriate beds | Improve process for early outlying by sending out an early outlying plan with the bed state on Friday afternoon (4:30/6pm) | Julie Dixon | 11/11/15 | Improved flow out of the ED | Reduced time from decision to admit to patients leaving ED | 6. Complete and regular review | Outlying plan is circulated every Friday. Work is ongoing to improve process. Data request made to confirm effectiveness of process and to monitor impact on patient outcomes and surgical activity. |
| Flow | 2.6 To speed up and bring forward (time of day) the discharge process | 2.6.1 - Additional assistant capacity to support Drs in non-clinical activity | Advanced HCAs x7 on wards with highest daily discharges to support flow, admin and junior Drs in making patients ready | Julie Dixon | w/c 07/12/2015 | Reduced time from decision to discharge to patients being made ready | Patients discharged by time of day | 6. Complete and regular review | Trialling additional discharge coordinator on base wards with highest turnover. There is little evidence atm discharges have increased as a result. |
| Flow | 2.6 To speed up and bring forward (time of day) the discharge process | 2.6.2 - Improve utilisation of the discharge lounge between 8am and 12pm. | Review current processes and approach to utilisation of the discharge lounge | Julie Dixon | 18/12/15 | Increased utilisation of the discharge lounge between 8am and 12pm Freed up acute ward capacity | Increased utilisation of the discharge lounge Patients discharged by time of day | 6. Complete and regular review | Driven increased discharges to the discharge lounge on oncology and day wards by visiting outlying patients, and encouraging staff to use the discharge lounge Designed a 'meet me in the discharge lounge' project for patients. Data not available to ascertain benefit of project - awaiting information before deciding to pursue additional initiatives |
| Flow | 2.7 To ensure that the hospital responds appropriately to capacity pressures in ED | 2.7.1 - Co-ordinated escalation response between ED, AMU and CDU to share risk appropriately across the areas in the safest possible way | Design and implement an escalation policy for CDU as part of the whole hospital response to improve flow through department | Sam Leak | 01/09/2015 31/01/2016 | Reduced number of diverts from AMU/CDU Reduced occupancy in CDU/ED | Evidence of escalation plans being enacted in line with policy | 2. Significant delay – unlikely to be completed as planned | Initial meeting between CDU and ED has taken place. AMU and ED meeting being scheduled. Existing escalation plans on CDU and AMU are being reviewed. |
| Flow | 2.7 To ensure that the hospital responds appropriately to capacity pressures in ED | 2.7.1 - Co-ordinated escalation response between ED, AMU and CDU to share risk appropriately across the areas in the safest possible way | Coordinated escalation process to be implemented in the ED | Richard Mitchell | 19/12/15 | | | 3. Some delay – expected to be completed as planned | |
| Flow | 2.7 To ensure that the hospital responds appropriately to capacity pressures in ED | 2.7.1 - Co-ordinated escalation response between ED, AMU and CDU to share risk appropriately across the areas in the safest possible way | Agree and implement escalation response between AMU and ED | Richard Mitchell | 19/12/15 | | | 2. Significant delay – unlikely to be completed as planned | |
| Flow | 2.8 To ensure that patients who do not require an admission are directed to ambulatory services where possible | 2.8.1 - Implement RCT of acute physicians reviewing ED admitting decisions | Agree process for trialling + expected benefits | Ian Lawrence | 16/12/2015 25/12/2015 | Reduction in admissions | Reduced admission rate from ED | 2. Significant delay – unlikely to be completed as planned | Finalising plans Update on 16/12: Ian to action |
| Flow | 2.8 To ensure that patients who do not require an admission are directed to ambulatory services where possible | 2.8.2 - Increase capacity on AMU for GP access | Utilise space on UCC for ambulatory patients to increase capacity for GP direct admissions | Lee Walker | 16/01/15 | Reduced occupancy in ED | Increased number of patients going through AAU | 4. On track | Steering group set up, IT and Estates work scoped. Business Case for temporary additional staff completed. |
| Flow | 2.8 To ensure that patients who do not require an admission are directed to ambulatory services where possible | 2.8.3 - Work with CDU to develop ambulatory clinic to streamline flow through department | Stream patients at triage who are likely to be ambulatory into separate area to facilitate rapid turnaround | Sam Leak | 14/12/15 | Reduced CDU Occupancy | Increased proportion of patients with LoS on CDU of > 6 hours CDU Occupancy | 6. Complete and regular review | Streaming service launched on 14/12 with comms to all CDU staff and patient information posters. Full implementation will be complete by March once all staff in post. |
| Outflow | 3.1 To increase community 'step-down' capacity | 3.1.1 - Phased increase of Intensive Community Support (ICS) capacity | Implement additional 16 ICS beds; Oct 16 Dec 16 Jan 8 Feb 40 (subject to successful staffing recruitment) Mar 50 (subject to successful staffing recruitment) | Rachel Bilsborough (LPT) | w/c 30/11/2015 | Increase of alternatives to acute hospital admission | No. ICS beds operational | | Additional December capacity opened in line with plan |
| Outflow | 3.2 To optimise use of existing community services capacity | 3.2.3 - Additional Primary Care Co-ordinators to expedite identification of patients suitable for discharge to community services | LRI x2 additional to start by 21 Dec | Nikki Beacher (LPT) | 21/12/15 | More patients identified as suitable for discharge to community services earlier in LOS | No. patients identified for earlier discharge | | Recruitment commenced |
| Outflow | 3.2 To optimise use of existing community services capacity | 3.2.4- Additional Primary Care Co-ordinators to expedite identification of patients suitable for discharge to community services | Additional recruitment to take full complement to 7 (inc. Glenfield) | Nikki Beacher (LPT) | 31/01/16 | More patients identified as suitable for discharge to community services earlier in LOS | | | |
| Outflow | 3.3 To maintain DTOC rates at current low levels | 3.3.1 - Maintaining daily multi-disciplinary partnership approach | Maintaining daily bed management and DTOC calls | Sarah Prema (City CCG) /Tracy Yole (LLR Urgent Care) | Ongoing | DTOC not being rate limiting factor in discharge flow | DTOC rate to be maintained <2% | | Current DTOC position remains low at 1.72% |