

The East Midlands Cancer Alliance (EMCA) 12 February 2020

Briefing Note

For the attention of EMCA board members, accountable officers, CEOs, cancer managers and cancer leads in CCGs and trusts:

The East Midlands Cancer Alliance (EMCA) Board met on 20 December 2019 to review the work and progress of the partner organisations in the EMCA. The meeting was chaired by Richard Mitchell CEO Sherwood Forest Hospitals NHS FT. The Board has representation from the five East Midlands STPs from both commissioning and provider organisations. It also has representatives from specialised commissioning, primary care, Public Health England, Health Education England, Macmillan and CRUK.

Modern urology service – Urology Northampton General Hospital (NGH) One stop shop and rapid prostate pathway

Dr Hemant Nemade, Consultant Urologist Surgeon NGH gave a presentation on the “modern urology service” with an update on rapid prostate pathway.

MDT Streamlining Project – HPB at Nottingham University Hospitals (NUH)

Dr Suresh Vasan, Consultant Gastroenterologist gave a presentation on the multidisciplinary (MDT) streamlining project with regards to HPB at NUH.

National priority: personalised care living with and beyond cancer

A paper was presented highlighting the progress made in the East Midlands with implementing the ‘living with cancer/ personalised care’ programme of work. The paper highlighted the deliverables and expectations of this important transformation agenda. This includes implementing the risk stratified follow up pathways, personalised care and supported self-management.

National priority: cancer waiting times

Performance report – the interim managing director presented the latest performance report which is based on November 2019 published data. Kettering General Hospital consistently delivers the 62 day cancer standard and whilst the Alliance has been disseminating the learning/best practice from Frimley Park hospital it was agreed that we should be exploring and sharing the good practice that exists in our own region. To note operational performance, as well as compliance with the 28 faster diagnosis reporting and draft cancer waiting time document were agenda items at the cancer trust managers/lead nurses meeting held 29 January 2020.

Trust	Dec-18	Jan-19	Feb-19	Mar-19	Apr-19	May-19	Jun-19	Jul-19	Aug-19	Sep-19	Oct-19	Nov-19	Total Treatments Nov-19	% of Alliance Treatments	Total Treatments Oct 19
Chesterfield Royal Hospital NHS Foundation Trust	86.9%	79.4%	78.6%	89.0%	82.2%	81.4%	76.7%	91.4%	80.1%	79.3%	67.3%	76.4%	61.5	5.8%	99.5
Kettering General Hospital NHS Foundation Trust	86.5%	86.4%	85.3%	86.7%	85.3%	85.5%	85.5%	85.5%	86.0%	88.4%	85.2%	86.3%	47.5	4.5%	74.5
Sherwood Forest Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust	84.3%	84.5%	80.6%	86.4%	79.9%	77.6%	68.5%	76.4%	82.2%	77.2%	76.6%	74.0%	84.5	8.0%	98.5
Northampton General Hospital NHS Trust	82.1%	71.2%	74.0%	71.0%	70.4%	68.9%	77.5%	76.0%	76.7%	77.3%	73.4%	65.5%	110	10.5%	86.5
Nottingham University Hospitals NHS Trust	78.9%	78.0%	75.5%	73.4%	75.6%	68.7%	76.0%	70.2%	79.8%	78.1%	80.0%	78.0%	197.5	18.8%	232.5
University Hospitals of Derby and Burton NHS FT	78.3%	68.6%	76.1%	75.5%	80.7%	70.3%	72.7%	70.2%	72.1%	74.9%	75.8%	77.0%	178	16.9%	207
University Hospitals of Leicester NHS Trust	82.3%	75.6%	70.1%	74.0%	75.4%	75.2%	74.4%	76.4%	71.4%	74.4%	77.0%	72.2%	218	20.7%	252
United Lincolnshire Hospitals NHS Trust	69.6%	65.9%	61.5%	75.5%	77.4%	65.7%	79.1%	73.8%	66.6%	72.9%	65.7%	65.7%	154.5	14.7%	162
Total	80.6%	73.1%	72.3%	75.4%	75.5%	73.1%	74.4%	74.2%	73.3%	72.9%	73.1%	71.9%	1051.5	100%	1212.5

Feedback from STPs: implementation of best practice pathways

STP cancer leads were requested to present their reports highlighting the progress of implementing the best practice pathways for prostate, colorectal, upper gastrointestinal and lung cancer. It was identified that although some great work has been achieved, there is still a lot to do to ensure the pathways are configured to comply with the best practice pathway guidance in a timed and stepped way. STP cancer boards should have this on their agendas to ensure there is a focus on achieving implementation by March 2020.

National Priority: time to diagnosis**Targeted lung Health Checks (TLHC)**

East Midlands Cancer Alliance is part of Phase 1 of the national Targeted Lung Health Checks programme. There are two project sites within East Midlands: Mansfield & Ashfield and Corby. An update was provided by the project lead from both sites. Both are due to start seeing patients in April 2020.

Rapid diagnostic centres (RDC)

Progress on implementation was given highlighting that significant funding is available over the next five years for RDC's (£23m in the East Midlands), with planning currently taking place across all five STPs. Concerns have been noted regarding lack of capital funding which has been fed back to the national team. Issues around workforce to deliver this national priority were also noted.

28-day faster diagnosis

A paper was presented on 28 day faster diagnosis. Overall data compliance in the East Midlands is good. There are two pilot sites involved with the clinical review of standards i.e. Northampton General Hospital and Chesterfield Royal Hospital.

PHE

Two papers were presented by PHE. The first an update regarding the EMCA tobacco control programme and the second paper related to the Midlands non-communicable disease incident control unit, specifically requesting £150,000 to fund three cancer survival investigation projects within Northamptonshire, Derbyshire and Lincolnshire, noting that Nottinghamshire and Leicestershire have already reviewed survival outcomes. The Board agreed to review this proposal alongside other initiatives at the next meeting.

Any other business**Imaging networks**

With the publication of the new guidance this will be an agenda item at the next meeting.

Guidance on multidisciplinary working

This was tabled. A lot of work is taking place both nationally and in Alliances to develop the standards of care to support implementation of this guidance.

Workforce

A meeting has now taken place on 5 February 2020 between Alliances and HEE to review our approach in supporting STPs to develop their workforce plans for cancer.

Terms of reference for the EMCA board

The terms of reference of the Board will be refreshed and reviewed by the next meeting. Richard Mitchell has written to trust CEOs asking for the name of their representative and

deputy. Richard would also like to meet colleagues to talk through what is working well with the EMCA and where we can make improvements.

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Date of next Board Meeting

27 April 2020 between 1-5pm in Kegworth

Please find below a table showing you who your EMCA STP leads are:

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