



Health & Social Care North Lanarkshire

COATBRIDGE LOCALITY

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1. NHS Scotland & Lanarkshire Wide Update:

New National Cancer Services Strategy launched

Beating Cancer: Ambition and Action, a new strategy to tackle cancer by improving prevention, detection, diagnosis, treatment and after care, has been launched by Health Secretary Shona Robison. It is intended to serve as the blueprint for cancer care in Scotland over the next five to ten years and is backed by £100m worth of funding.

The plan contains more than 50 actions, including:

- £50 million for radiotherapy equipment and to support radiotherapy recruitment and training
- £9 million over five years to ensure better support for people with cancer and their families, for example, through Link Workers and other initiatives like Macmillan's Improving the Cancer Journey
- £5 million to target reducing inequalities in screening up-take
- £7.5 million to support improvements in surgical treatments
- An additional £10 million to support swift access to diagnostics for people with suspected cancer
- £3.5 million to drive improvements across the palliative care sector and to support targeted action on training and education
- £5 million to support waiting times performance.

Ms Robison said, "Cancer services have come a long way over the past ten years, with cancer mortality rates down 11 per cent, however, we know more needs to be done. Through this strategy we are aiming to reduce health inequalities and improve the experience of and outcomes for people with cancer across Scotland. A cancer diagnosis is a daunting prospect for those affected and their families, which is why it is vital that we support people throughout their journey, right from detection through to aftercare.

"This strategy sets out our actions on detecting cancer early, with a particular focus on reducing inequalities in screening. It also sets out how we will invest in the provision of good quality, sustainable treatment and support for people to live well with and beyond cancer.

Our ambition is that through this strategy we will work with people with cancer, clinicians, service providers and third sector colleagues to reduce the impact of cancer and achieve world-class cancer outcomes for the people of Scotland.”

Training will also take place to ensure that by 2021 people with cancer in Scotland who need it will have access to a specialist nurse during treatment and after.

<http://www.gov.scot/Resource/0049/00496709.pdf>

Setting Out the Vision for Integration

Health and Social Care Integration in North Lanarkshire is in the national spotlight this month following the publication of a blog by Janice Hewitt, chief accountable officer. Writing for The Scottish Government’s Chief Officer’s Spotlight, Janice reflects on her - and the Joint Integration Board’s - integration journey so far. Janice looks ahead to the formal implementation of integration and what that will mean. Crucially, she sets out the vision for integration in North Lanarkshire, which is:

Citizens of North Lanarkshire will achieve their full potential through:

- Living safe, healthy and independent lives in their communities
- Receiving the information, advice, support or care they need, at the right time, every time, efficiently and effectively.

2. Locality Update

NHS Lanarkshire Starts Planning For Major New Hospital Development

NHS Lanarkshire is planning a major new development to replace the existing Monklands Hospital. The Scottish Government has welcomed the proposal from NHS Lanarkshire to embark on the process of seeking funding for the redevelopment of the hospital. The options, which will be evaluated, include redevelopment of the hospital on the existing Monklands site, or a complete replacement facility at an alternative location.

Redevelopment of the current site could include a new ward block, new day surgery unit and an expanded outpatient department. Dr Rory MacKenzie, Chief of Medical Services, Monklands Hospital, said: “It is fantastic news for our patients and staff that NHS Lanarkshire is starting to make plans for this development. Our staff work tremendously hard to provide an excellent standard of care at Monklands Hospital and these options open up exciting opportunities to further enhance this.” Calum Campbell, Chief Executive, NHS Lanarkshire, said: “To ensure we best meet future population needs in Lanarkshire there is no doubt that we will continue to require a high-quality acute hospital with 450-500 beds.

The initial agreement will take around six months to develop. It will include an assessment of all factors relating to the options including potential locations and will identify a preferred option.

NHS Lanarkshire will involve patients, staff, the local authorities and other stakeholders in the planning process. Following the initial agreement, NHS Lanarkshire will develop an outline business case and then a full business case, both of which would require Scottish Government approval. This will take two to three years to complete before building work can start.

It is estimated that the period from starting the initial agreement to completing the new hospital, would be around seven years.

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Swim Time with Jenny's Bear Programme for Early Years

NHSL Health Improvement team, in partnership with NLL, is piloting a series of 6 week swim-time programme with parents/carers. Two programmes are being delivered in Coatbridge Locality between January and April. A key element of the programme is to work with parents to reduce children and families exposure to second hand smoke by raising awareness of the dangers and encouraging a positive change in parents and families smoking behaviours within the home. The aims of the programme are to:

- Reduce children's exposure to Second Hand Smoke (SHS) in line with national guidelines
- 100% of families within the Swim-time programme in Coatbridge Locality will put into practice 2 of the 5 key tobacco prevention messages to reduce exposure of SHS in home & car.

5 key messages on Second Hand Smoke:

- Second hand smoke affects other people and is a real health risk, especially for children.
- Second hand smoke travels through the air and the home, and most of it is invisible.
- Parents and carers want to protect their children from second hand smoke and should be encouraged to do so
- To make homes and cars smoke-free, smokers should go outside and close the door behind them.
- In any environment smokers should ensure that their decision to smoke does not impact on other people.

The programme uses music, rhythm and rhyme to deliver key messages. Other benefits of the programme include supporting children and parents to become more involved in physical activity and to improve parenting skills by building parental confidence and safer, secure relationships for children.

3. Conclusions:

The LAP members are asked to note the content of this report for information.