



South Tees Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust and Sanofi Joint Working Project – A Multidisciplinary team approach to optimising Diabetes care through the South Tees ‘Diabetes Service’

Executive Summary

South Tees Hospitals Foundation Trust is the largest Trust in Tees Valley, with two Acute Hospitals and a number of Community Hospitals. The Trust serves a population of 435,000 and they have highlighted the need for a Multi-Disciplinary Team approach to enhance patient care for those patients with Diabetes and obesity.

In order to deliver this service, South Tees Hospitals Foundation trust and Sanofi are undertaking joint working with the aim of delivering improved care for this patient population. This will involve a balance of contributions with the pooling of skills, experience and resources from all parties involved. The key aim of the project is to deliver “A high standard multi-disciplinary specialist weight management service “created within the CCG, functioning with clinics in the community. This will be a unique service which will identify and support patients with obesity and diabetes through intense medical and multidisciplinary support supported by Consultant Diabetologists, obesity specialist, specialist obesity dietician, clinical psychologists, physiotherapists and health trainers working as a dedicated team.

Progress will be tracked by the project team which will consist of members both from South Tees Hospitals Foundation Trust, the multi-disciplinary teams and Sanofi. The overall project delivery will be overseen by a project manager.

Initially, the project will run until March 2018.

Intended Benefits

For the Patient

- Delivery of optimised care in line with local guidelines (and in line with nationally accepted guidance)
- Improved patient outcomes which will include measures around HbA1c, Weight management, medication adherence and unplanned attendances to hospital
- A more convenient service model which will improve patient support and enhance the patient experience

For the NHS

- Successfully develop a new multi-disciplinary service which will act as a ‘one stop shop’ which will deliver improved patient care and a better patient experience
- Reduce variance in terms of Diabetes care across the locality
- Reduce fragmentation and duplication of care
- Reduce unplanned hospital admissions

For Sanofi

- Appropriate use of medicines, which many include Sanofi medicines

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