



# Fife Health & Social Care Partnership

Supporting the people of Fife together

## Let's Connect with the Community Hospitals review - What does this mean for you

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Moving care closer to home is the desire of both public and staff. We know this through the Clinical Strategy and Strategic Plan consultations which have taken place over the last year.

With the clock ticking to transform services in the face of increasing demand, now is the time for Fife to take up this challenge and turn feedback into more than just words. This is where you and colleagues in Community Hospitals come in.

Lynn Barker, Primary Care Services Development Manager is leading a programme of work to look at how we use beds across all six Community Hospitals in Fife.



David Heaney, Divisional General Manager (East)

### Community Hospitals - your role in achieving Fife's ambitions

At any given time up to 70 people are in Community Hospitals who would be better supported at home or in their community.

As we do look to do more and more locally, we fully recognise that the practicalities of supporting more people and meeting their care needs will be at the forefront of your mind - asking 'where do I fit in?' What does this mean for me?

We are sharing the **briefing to Community Hospital colleagues** with you. In this you will see there are briefing and briefing sessions for Community Hospital colleagues. As we need to work closely with each of the Clinical Service Managers within Community Hospitals, so do we need to work closely with you and your colleagues.

Once the initial Community Hospital sessions are complete, we'll be coming to hear from you and will be holding briefing sessions for colleagues across community services.

You know how things work on the frontline and what is best for people - we need to do this together.

These dates are to be confirmed but we will keep you informed as soon we have the details arranged.

In the meantime, Lynn Barker is already in direct contact your Service Managers to get them involved. This will help inform and shape how services could work on a day to day, community level and your briefing sessions will form a key part of this overall picture of changing service delivery.

In the meantime, if you would like to speak to someone please contact:

- your Clinical Service Manager
- your local TU or Local Partnership Forum representative, or Simon [simon.fevre@nhs.net](mailto:simon.fevre@nhs.net)
- alternatively send comments to [Fife-uhb.CommunityServicesLetsConnect@nhs.net](mailto:Fife-uhb.CommunityServicesLetsConnect@nhs.net)
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