

STROKE PERFORMANCE REPORT

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1. Summary

- 1.1. Hyperacute stroke services (providing the immediate diagnosis and treatment for stroke) are provided at Taunton and Somerset NHS Foundation Trust and Yeovil District Hospital NHS Foundation Trust.
- 1.2. During the period April 2017 to March 2018, performance against the key stroke performance indicators is outlined below:

Stroke Measures by Provider		YTD 2016/17	YTD 2017/18
Taunton & Somerset NHS Foundation Trust	Number of Stroke Admissions	614	643
	Number of Ischaemic Stroke Patients	529	560
	Number of eligible Ischaemic Stroke Patients Thrombolysed	61	↑ 69
	% Ischaemic Patients Thrombolysed	11.8%	↓ 12.3%
	% Patients scanned within 1 hour of hospital arrival	60.6%	↑ 64.9%
	% of Patients Admitted to an Acute Stroke Ward - First Admission	-	↑ 67.8%
	% Patients Admitted To An Acute Stroke Unit Within 4 Hours Of Hospital Arrival	-	↓ 65.7%
	% care in a Stroke Unit (90%)	-	↑ 80.0%
Yeovil District Hospital NHS Foundation Trust	Number of Stroke Admissions	379	459
	Number of Ischaemic Stroke Patients	338	402
	Number of eligible Ischaemic Stroke Patients Thrombolysed	76	↑ 91
	% Ischaemic Patients Thrombolysed	22.9%	↑ 22.6%
	% Patients scanned within 1 hour of hospital arrival	53.3%	↑ 55.2%
	% of Patients Admitted to an Acute Stroke Ward - First Admission	-	↑ 81.3%
	% Patients Admitted To An Acute Stroke Unit Within 4 Hours Of Hospital Arrival	-	↑ 67.4%
	% care in a Stroke Unit (90%)	-	↑ 74.0%
Somerset System	% Patients supported by a stroke skilled Early Supported Discharge team	-	↓ 37.8%

Performance is reported on a Trust-wide basis

- 1.3. Stroke services in Somerset have continued to maintain good quality care during 2017-18.

2. Issues for consideration / Recommendations

- 2.1. This report outlines the current position for stroke care in the county and the CCG are continuing to work with providers to improve the quality of care. As part of the 'Fit for My Future' programme, Stroke care will be reviewed to ensure that we continue to improve care for patients who have had a stroke and develop sustainable, high quality services.

3. Background

- 3.1. The data in this Stroke Report is a combination of local Trust-wide reporting from Taunton and Somerset NHS Foundation Trust and Yeovil District Hospital NHS Foundation Trust for the period April 2017 to March 2018 together with data sourced from the national Sentinel Stroke National Audit Programme (SSNAP). SSNAP collects information from the point that a patient arrives in hospital to 6 months after their stroke reporting 3 times a year; the reported position in this report is for the period August 2017 to November 2017.
- 3.2. A total of 1102 patients were admitted to hospital following an acute stroke in during the period April 2017 to March 2018 and this represents an 11% increase upon the previous year.
- 3.3. During 2017-18, 160 patients received thrombolysis of which 69 were at Taunton and Somerset NHS Foundation Trust (12.3%) and 91 at Yeovil District Hospital NHS Foundation Trust (22.6%). The national Sentinel Stroke National Audit Programme (SSNAP) attainment for the latest reported period (August to November 2017) was 11.1% and Somerset CCG's attainment was 10.6%, however not all ischaemic patients are eligible for thrombolysis treatment.
- 3.4. The percentage of patients scanned within 1 hour of arrival at hospital was achieved at both Taunton and Somerset NHS Foundation Trust and Yeovil District Hospital NHS Foundation Trust during 2017-18 with performance of 64.9% and 55.2% respectively, against the locally set target of 50%.
- 3.5. In respect of patients admitted to a stroke unit within four hours of arrival to hospital, neither Taunton and Somerset NHS Foundation Trust or Yeovil District Hospital NHS Foundation Trust met the 80% operational standard during the period April 2017 to March 2018. Performance at Taunton and Somerset NHS Foundation Trust was 65.7% and at Yeovil District Hospital NHS Foundation Trust 67.4%. In comparison, the national SSNAP achievement for the latest reported period (August to November 2017) was 59.5% and Somerset CCG was 67.3%.
- 3.6. During the period April 2017 to March 2018 the percentage of patients admitted to a stroke ward as their first ward was 67.8% at Taunton and Somerset NHS Foundation Trust with patients admitted on average within 2

hours 42 mins (range 38 minutes – 6 hours 48 minutes). Performance at Yeovil District Hospital NHS Foundation Trust was 81.3% with patients on average admitted within 3 hours 52 mins (range 2 hours 59 minutes – 4 hours 56 minutes). In comparison, the national SSNAP achievement for the latest reported period (August to November 2017) was 79.1%

- 3.7. During the period April 2017 to March 2018 neither Taunton and Somerset NHS Foundation Trust or Yeovil District Hospital NHS Foundation Trust met the standard whereby 90% of acute stroke patients spend 90% or more of their stay on a stroke unit; 80.0% of patients at Taunton and Somerset NHS Foundation Trust and 74.0% of patients at Yeovil District Hospital NHS Foundation Trust met this standard compared to national performance of 85.1% (as sourced from national SSNAP audit for the period August 2017 to November 2017).
- 3.8. In March 2018 the percentage of Somerset patients who were supported by The Early Supported Discharge (ESD) Team was 34.9% (and for the cumulative period April 2017 to March 2018) 37.8% against the 40% operational standard. It should be noted that there will be swings in percentage performance given the small numbers reported.
- 3.9. The SSNAP CCG dashboard for the period of August 2017 to August 2017 shows that Somerset continues to perform well against the national average.
- 3.10. Both Trusts have a strong focus and priority on improving stroke services, and have mechanisms in place to address challenges in performance. Key actions include strong director ownership, monthly review of performance including breach analyses to identify issues or areas for improvement.
- 3.11. The Stroke Clinical Programme Group is a Somerset clinical network, with the purpose to provide strategic and advisory guidance and meets bi-monthly. The group is responsible for: advising on the development of clinically effective patient pathways; service review and redesign; providing advice on the emerging technologies and clinical/ professional developments that may transform patient and service user experiences; operating within an appropriate evidence base for informing strategic service changes.

4. Consultations undertaken

- 4.1. Not applicable

5. Implications

- 5.1. Any proposals that emerge through the 'Fit for My Future' programme will be subject to comprehensive impact assessments, and will be brought to future Overview and Scrutiny Committees and will be subject to significant public engagement and formal consultation as required.

6. Background papers

6.1. Not applicable

Note For sight of individual background papers please contact the report author