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GP Update

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First for Neurophysiology

Our Neurophysiology service is the first in the country to gain national accreditation from United Kingdom Accreditation Service – UKAS.

The team carries out diagnostic tests on the brain and nervous system. It recently embarked on a process of rigorous assessment and evaluation to achieve national IQIPs (Improving Quality in Physiological Diagnostic Services) accreditation.

Independent national assessors from UKAS have

visited the department several times over the past year to observe practice and view examples of evidence in order to prove that excellent standards of care are being achieved.

The domains assessed were:

- Patient experience
- Clinical standards
- Safety and effectiveness
- Facilities, resources and workforce

As a result, the department was granted formal national accreditation

on 5th June 2015 - the first Neurophysiology service in the country to achieve this status of excellence.

The service is led by Consultant Clinical Neurophysiologist Dr Shwe Tun supported by medical staff, a team of clinical physiologists and administrative staff.

Service manager, Chris Monaco, said: "This has truly been a huge team effort; everyone has worked really hard to achieve this award. The Neurophysiology service takes pride in its



The Neurophysiology team

achievement. We have worked together in order to provide the highest standard of care possible to our patients across

Calderdale and Huddersfield and in doing so have been recognised nationally as leaders in this field."

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CDS plans on show

Our Child Development Service (CDS) team hosted a drop-in engagement event on Saturday, June 6th. More than 30 children and family members attended.

Refurbishment plans for a single-site specialist centre at Calderdale Royal Hospital (CRH) were on show. Families were invited to comment on the plans, offer suggestions and ask questions.

General Manager, Gill Harries, said: "The event is a continuation of previous engagement work with service users and demonstrates our commitment to keeping families informed and involved in our future plans for the service."

Joanne Womack, Project Manager for the closure and relocation of



services provided from Princess Royal Community Health Centre added:

"Families told us that the event was informative, friendly and fun. The children happily played whilst their parents and carers talked to us about the plans and our vision for the service. We gathered some very useful feedback, and will continue to work with families as the plans progress."

Our Child Development Service team and families

The plans are on show at the Child Development Unit at the Ellerslie Unit at PRCHC.

The CDS at CRH closed on 20 July for three months for refurbishment. Staff have relocated to the Ellerslie Unit, PRCHC for this period (tel: 01484 344361).

Views invited on proposed changes to services

The views and experiences of services users, members of the public, NHS staff and stakeholders are being invited on proposed changes to Emergency Gynaecology and Early Pregnancy Assessment services.

Our Trust, in partnership NHS Greater Huddersfield CCG, has launched an engagement, or listening exercise on the proposals.

The Trust would like to centralise Emergency Gynaecology and Early Pregnancy Assessment services, currently provided from the Cedarwood Unit, HRI, with services provided from a purpose-built Gynaecology Assessment Unit at CRH.

The proposed changes would directly affect

women who live in Huddersfield and the surrounding areas.

Other outpatient services, such as Antenatal Clinics and Gynaecology Clinics, will continue to be provided from the Cedarwood Unit at HRI.

The engagement exercise is being overseen by NHS Greater Huddersfield CCG and will run from Monday 27 July until Wednesday 30 September 2015.

At the end of the engagement period, a report of the findings will be prepared and will be considered in any future planning that takes place.

Information about the services, proposed changes and a questionnaire is available online at www.cht.nhs.uk/epau.

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News Round-up

Organ donation training day

Staff at our Trust have taken part in the first simulation exercise to train them in the clinical side of organ donation and how to provide the best support for families involved.

They brought in real actresses, including an extra from Coronation Street to play family members.

In the scenario they played a mum and a sister of a 25 year old man who had been left brain dead after a devastating haemorrhage.

The scenario was devised by the Trust's specialist organ donation team to train colleagues in the process of providing



support to families and learning about the clinical process at such a difficult time.

Natalie Wilson played the deceased young man's sister.

She said: "It was really interesting to see

how the doctors and nurses interacted with the family members with such respect and professionalism. I found it very reassuring to see."

Tim Jackson, Consultant Anaesthetist, said: "Having

actors in brought an emotional side to the fore and was really powerful."

Feedback was taken and the Trust plans to host more sessions in the Simulation Suite with local staff and colleagues across West Yorkshire.

Staff at the training day

The suite opened last year to provide real life situations as part of training for all doctors, nurses and healthcare professionals.

Bring your medicines to hospital

Our Trust has launched a poster campaign across the organisation and the wider community reminding patients of the importance of bringing all medicines bought over the counter, and prescribed, into hospital with them.

The campaign highlights the benefits to their care in doing this.

A second poster in the campaign reminds diabetic patients to bring insulin and associated equipment into hospital so that their condition can continue to be managed.

Could GPs and practice colleagues remind patients to bring their medicines to hospital.

It is very important that you remember to bring all the medicines that you take into hospital with you



When you do this:

- It will help us to know about all the medicines that you take so that we can give you the best care
- We will store your medicines safely at your bedside and ensure that you do not miss a dose of your medicine
- It will help you to stay in control of your medicines and health
- When you are ready to leave hospital it will help to speed up your discharge

Your invitation to our AGM

Our award-winning Acre Mills Outpatients Centre is the venue for our AGM and Members' Annual Public Meeting 2015, on Thursday, September 17th from 5pm.

There will be an opportunity to have a look around the state-of-the-art building and speak to representatives from each of our divisions, staff and Membership Council members.

The formal AGM will

start at 6pm and will be a chance to hear about achievements and challenges over the past year as well as planned developments.

Foundation Trust members, members of the public, staff and GP practice colleagues are welcome to attend.

Parking at Acre Mills for the AGM will be free for all our guests, who will be required to provide their



Acre Mills

vehicle registration number as part of the signing-in process at the event.

The Trust's full Annual Report and Accounts can be read online at www.cht.nhs.uk.

cht.nhs.uk. For more information, or to book a place, please email our [membership office membership@cht.nhs.uk](mailto:membership@cht.nhs.uk), or telephone 01484 347342.

Post-natal buggy walks to help mums

Health Visitors Sarah Maybury and Sue Jones have launched a post-natal buggy walks project which aims to encourage mums to meet people,

and at the same time, promote the physical and mental health benefits of walking.

The Health Visitors are promoting the walks, which are mainly around

the Rastrick area at the three/four month assessments, but are also open to families with children on the Health Visitor caseload. Health Visitor, Sarah

Maybury said: "The response from the mums has been very positive and we are currently looking at involving partner agencies in future programmes"

FOCUS ON... Neurophysiology

Clinical neurophysiology is a diagnostic specialty, which uses the investigations of electroencephalography (EEG), electromyography (EMG), nerve conduction studies (NCS), evoked potentials (EPs), sleep studies (polysomnogram and multiple sleep latency tests) and electroretinography (ERG) to assess function in the nervous system and assist in diagnosis, assessment of severity and monitoring of disease progression.

Clinical neurophysiologists have to be familiar with the whole range of neurological diseases, from the common to the very rare.

EEG is central to the management of epilepsy. Most investigations can be performed without overnight admission to hospital, but prolonged



inpatient EEG monitoring of seizures may be necessary, particularly before surgical treatment. NCS or EMG studies are frequently used for entrapment neuropathy, such as carpal tunnel syndrome and ulnar neuropathy at the elbow. Neurophysiologists regularly evaluate peripheral neuropathy and

Patient comment: "The team made me feel at ease all the time, and explained everything thoroughly"

less common disorders, including motor neurone disease and myasthenia gravis. EPs have a role

in the management of multiple sclerosis, diseases of the eye and intra operative monitoring of

nervous system function.

Clinical neurophysiologists work alongside clinicians, and have close clinical relationships with many other specialties that deal with diseases of the nervous system, particularly neurology and neurosurgery, orthopedics and rheumatology, general medicine and geriatrics.

Many General Practitioner colleagues refer to our Trust directly for advice on their patients' management which speeds up the process in treating patients with neurological conditions.



Bev Gedlek; back (left) Dr Khine Lwin and Dr Shwe Tun

International Clinical Trials Day

Our Trust recognised International Clinical Trials Day by promoting the message of #WhyWeDoResearch across the Trust.

HRI and CRH entrances had stands with members of staff to offer information and guidance about what

clinical trials do for the public and for the Trust.

There are currently 46 clinical trials out of 105 research studies ongoing at the current time.

Research Co-Ordinator Jon Todd said: "Clinical research enables us to prepare for the future."

EPR now live in maternity

The Electronic Patient Records (EPR) system has gone live across maternity services.

There will be a period of transition from paper to electronic records as those women with a new pregnancy move through the antenatal

period to intrapartum and then postnatal.

Maternity Electronic Patient record is a system that maps the entire pathway from the initial booking of the pregnancy through to the completion of postnatal care. Health professionals

can access information during appointments in either the hospital or community setting.

Moving forwards, we will be working more closely with multidisciplinary teams to enhance our working practices.

Acre Mills wins international environmental award

Our new outpatients centre has won an international award from Green Apple. Acre Mills beat off stiff competition from around the world and won the NHS and Health Sector National Silver Winner 2015.

The Green Apple Environment Awards were established in 1994 as an annual campaign to recognise, reward and

promote environmental best practice around the world.

This is a second top award for Acre Mills. The former wire mill recently won the Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors (RICS) Conservation Project of the Year Award and has also been shortlisted for the Constructing Excellence Award.



Our Estates team receiving the Green Apple award

Starters and leavers

New Starters

● Mr Ahmad Orabi,
Otolaryngology, 1.4.15
● Dr Sumeet Tuteja,
Obstetrics and
Gynaecology, 6.4.15

● Dr Sarah Bishop,
Paediatrics, 13.4.15
● Miss Sucheta
Jindal, Obstetrics and
Gynaecology, 28.4.15
● Dr Abida Naem,

Haematology, 6.7.15

Trust Leavers

● Dr Nyein Maw, Diabetes/
Endocrinology, 12..6.15
● Dr Pratima Chandatre,

Anaesthetics, 14.6.15

● Dr Adnan Muhamed,
Paediatrics, 30.6.15
● Dr Surendra Raizada,
Anaesthetics, 30.6.15
● Dr Vighu Banumkala,

Oncology, 3.7.15

● Dr Theodoros
Giannopoulos,
Ophthalmology, 8.7.15
● Dr Sally Wilson,
A&E, 13.7.15

Waiting times update

Waiting Times Snapshot as at 30 June 2015

SPECIALTY	FIRST O/P	DAY CASE	ELECTIVE I/P
General Surgery	12	8	8
Urology	10	12	7
Trauma and Orthopaedics	10	10	11
Ear, nose and throat	10	10	14
Ophthalmology	12	9	7
Oral Surgery	13	9	–
Plastic Surgery	7	11	–
Pain Management	11	13	–
Gen.Med inc (Diabetes)	7	6	
Respiratory Med	8	Bronch's – 9	
Gastroenterology	9	6	
Haematology	5		
Cardiology	8	Angiography – 6 Pacemaker – 8	
Dermatology	11		
Nephrology	7		
Medical Oncology	1		
Neurology	9		
Rheumatology	9		
Elderly Medicine	5		
Paediatrics	6		
Gynaecology	6	6	9

Radiology waiting times as at 30 June 2015

	Cross Site	CRH	HRI
MRI	4	4	4
CT	2	2	2
Ultrasound	3	3	3
Ultrasound - Musculoskeletal	2	2	2
Ultrasound - Vascular	2	2	2
Fluoroscopy - Upper GI	4	N/A	4
Fluoroscopy - Enemas	N/A	N/A	N/A
Nuclear Medicine- Bones	3	N/A	3
Nuclear Medicine- Cardiac	4	N/A	4
Nuclear Medicine- Others	6	N/A	6
Mammography	0	0	0
DEXA Scans	1	N/A	1

Key to main waiting times update

FIRST OP = GP referred (routine) first outpatient attendance. Times shown are maximum wait times (in weeks) as at end of June 2015.

DAY CASE AND ELECTIVE INPATIENT

Times shown are average wait times (in weeks) from referral to treatment (i.e. they include the outpatient wait time within them) for the end of June 2015 admissions.

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