

Manchester Partnership Board	
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Recommendations:	The board is asked to note the contents of the report



1.0 Introduction

- 1.1 This paper gives an update on winter planning for 2023/24.
- 1.2 In line with previous years, the Manchester and Trafford System Resilience Team will lead and co-ordinate on all aspects of winter planning and the lessons learnt from winter 2022/23 have been incorporated into the organisational delivery plans.

2.0 System Winter Plan

- 2.1 The system winter plan has been developed in collaboration with system partners, highlighting key areas of delivery and focus into the winter period. These include delivery of Hospital at Home model, acute rollout of Back to Basics, and the bespoke Tier 1 support from national teams and Newton Europe.
- 2.2 Development of the plan has been led through the Manchester and Trafford Operational Delivery Group (ODG), a system wide group with representation from operational leads across the Manchester and Trafford footprint.
- 2.3 Details of the plan have been shared through Provider Collaborative Board on 19th October, and a check and challenge on winter preparedness was conducted through the Manchester and Trafford Urgent Care Board on 20th October.
- 2.4 Further work has been identified to describe how the Voluntary, Community and Social Enterprise (VCSE) sector will support the urgent care system through Winter.
- 2.3 A first version of the plan has been shared with locality system partners and GM Integrated Care System (GM ICS), with a further iteration of the plan expected in November.

3.0 Urgent and Emergency Care Recovery Funds

- 3.1 In March 2023, GM ICS informed localities of capacity/recovery funding available for 2023/24 to help plan in a more coordinated way. This funding allocation sits across several separate workstreams supporting virtual wards, discharge and securing additional capacity.
- 3.2 At the request of Manchester Partnership Board, the Provider Collaborative Board discussed a proposal on which winter schemes are to be funded and allocations, from the capacity/recovery funding. An agreement was reached with system partners on the allocations on an organisational basis, with further work underway on the specifics of delivery.



3.3 This agreement will allow Primary Care to start an immediate implementation of Winter schemes in support of Urgent Care. Specifically, implementation of the Manchester Acute Respiratory Infection Service (MARIS), providing a high volume of additional same day respiratory capacity at times of surges in demand, and additional clinical and non-clinical sessions. These schemes will help to release capacity in general practice, and reduce pressures on secondary care through emergency department attendance avoidance and admission avoidance.

4.0 **Recommedation**

The board is asked to note the content of the report.