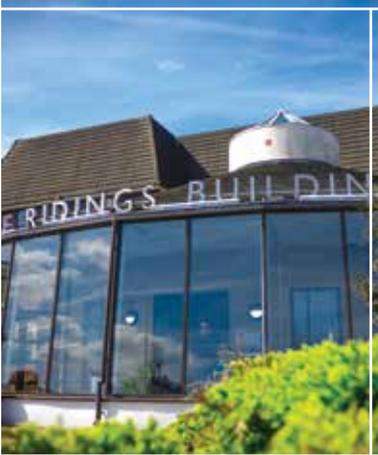


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FOREWORD



HEALTH CARE IN NORTH KIRKLEES AND WAKEFIELD IS CHANGING. WHEN ALL THE CHANGES ARE IN PLACE THIS IS WHAT LOCAL HEALTH CARE WILL LOOK LIKE:



- Pinderfields Hospital in Wakefield will be the main centre for people with very serious illness
- People who require an emergency ambulance will usually be taken to Pinderfields Hospital
- Dewsbury and Pontefract Hospitals will provide more planned care and will treat people who have less serious illness
- Dewsbury and Pontefract will still have open access to urgent care for people using their own transport
- Patients with long-term and more complex illness will have more of their care at home, looked after by teams of health and social care workers, meaning they are less likely to become an inpatient in hospital.

These changes mean people will be more likely to be able to stay at home and have a better experience. If they are seriously ill, they will be taken to Pinderfields and will be seen sooner. Pinderfields will have more senior and specialist clinical cover.

WHY CHANGE?

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WHY CHANGE?

- People will get faster access to specialist care when they need it
- People are living longer: this is a good thing but it means people have more complex needs and the money for NHS care has to go further
- We can make the best use of equipment and skills to improve care and safety.





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WHAT WILL EACH HOSPITAL HAVE WHEN THE CHANGES ARE IN PLACE?

DEWSBURY

- More planned surgery – 1,000 more inpatient operations and 5,000 day case operations a year
- 24/7 open access to urgent care
- Rapid access to tests and treatment to reduce the need for unplanned admission to hospital.
- Outpatient clinics – 20,000 more appointments a year
- A dedicated children's assessment service to reduce the time children spend in hospital
- Midwife led births
- Rehabilitation for people with neurological conditions and stroke.

PONTEFRACT

- Open access urgent care for less serious medical conditions
- Planned surgery & day surgery
- Outpatient clinics
- Rehabilitation for people who need round the clock care but do not need to be in an acute hospital bed
- Midwife led births.

PINDERFIELDS

- Emergency medical care and surgery for urgent and complex conditions
- Rapid access to tests and treatment to reduce the need for unplanned hospital admissions
- Intensive care and high dependency care
- Specialist medical care for people with heart, lung and gastro-intestinal problems
- Specialist care for older people
- Complex planned surgery
- Urgent and emergency surgery
- Planned short stay & day surgery
- Outpatient clinics
- Midwife led and consultant led births
- All inpatient care for children
- Neo-natal inpatient care
- Specialist burns and plastic surgery
- Specialist cancer unit
- Spinal injuries unit
- Rehabilitation.



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BUILDING BETTER HOSPITALS

We are making improvements to Dewsbury Hospital to provide:

- a new children's assessment unit
- a new midwife-led birth centre
- medical inpatient wards
- new surgical wards
- improved operating theatres
- more outpatient clinics
- new day case units
- pathology laboratory
- diagnostic equipment.

Investment at Pinderfields will provide:

- Extra inpatient beds
- A specialist eye centre (opened in April 2015)

- A new extra care unit to work alongside intensive care and critical care
- The emergency department is being extended
- A larger maternity unit with an extra theatre and a midwife led unit next to the labour ward
- A dedicated acute gynaecology unit.

We plan to put even more services into Pontefract Hospital to make the best use of the fantastic purpose built facilities, which include:

- Emergency department
- Operating theatres
- Inpatient wards
- Outpatients department.

WHAT DOES IT MEAN FOR SERVICES?

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WHAT DOES IT MEAN FOR SERVICES?

Acute urgent and emergency care

The changes mainly affect emergency care services at Dewsbury Hospital.

Pinderfields will become the main centre for North Kirklees and Wakefield for people with serious and life threatening conditions. The emergency department will have senior doctors on duty 24/7. Emergency 999 ambulances will generally go to Pinderfields. People with the most serious or life threatening conditions will be treated at Pinderfields

Dewsbury will have a 24/7 emergency department with doctors on duty during the day and on call overnight. It will treat people who bring themselves to the hospital and some people who are brought by ambulance.

GPs, nurses and therapists, will work in the emergency department alongside specialist doctors to make sure people are seen by someone who has the rights skills to treat their condition.

There are three telephone numbers to remember if you have an unexpected health need:

CALL *your GP surgery to book an appointment*

111 *if you are not sure which service to use*

999 *for serious and life threatening emergencies*

If you call an ambulance, the paramedic will start treatment straight away and will take you to the hospital that will offer the best care.

Ambulatory emergency care

Pinderfields and Dewsbury Hospitals now have a service for people who need rapid assessment, tests and treatment but don't need to stay in hospital. Patients can be referred by their GP or from the emergency department.

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SURGERY, ANAESTHESIA AND CRITICAL CARE

Most planned surgery will be at Pontefract and Dewsbury

Day case surgery will be at all three hospitals

Emergency surgery and critical care will be at Pinderfields

All three hospitals will have outpatient clinics

People will go to Pinderfields for a planned operation if they might need intensive care or high dependency care afterwards.

There are many benefits of separating planned and emergency surgery:

- Operating theatres will be kept free for emergencies so people who are very ill can be treated more quickly
- Planned operations are less likely to have to be cancelled to make way for urgent cases
- Patients will have more choice of where to go for planned surgery
- There is less risk of infection because all patients having planned surgery are screened
- People will be able to be discharged sooner.



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MATERNITY SERVICES

Out-patient ante natal and post-natal care will be provided locally in the community and at all three hospital sites

From September 2016, there will be birth centres run by midwives at Dewsbury, Pinderfields and Pontefract. This gives women more choice about where to give birth.

Women who have a straight forward pregnancy will be able to choose to have their baby at home, in a local birth centre or in hospital

Women who are at higher risk will give birth at Pinderfields. The most appropriate site for delivery will be assessed throughout the pregnancy. The maternity unit will have ante natal and post-natal beds and a high dependency unit, as well as a special care baby unit. Consultants will be available for more hours on the labour ward at Pinderfields

Midwives assess women and their baby throughout pregnancy to help them decide the best place to give birth

A small number of women who plan to have their baby at a birth centre may need to be transferred to the consultant led unit during labour. The most common reason is for pain relief or because labour is not progressing. We have plans for transferring women in labour which we have been using at Pontefract safely for more than six years.

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CHILDREN'S SERVICES

A new children's assessment unit has opened at Dewsbury. This unit will be open from 10am to 10pm daily to care for children with less serious illness or injuries

From autumn 2016, children who need a longer time in hospital will be cared for at Pinderfields. All inpatient neonatal care will be at Pinderfields. Inpatient neonatal care will be centralised on the Pinderfields site. This will include a bigger neonatal unit at Pinderfields and a transitional care unit on the post-natal ward, which means specialist doctors and nurses will be available to care for very sick babies for more of the time

Community services for children with complex needs are being increased to reduce the need for children to go to hospital.

Benefits

- Better access to senior clinical assessment for the sickest children and babies
- Better chances of recovery and shorter stays in hospital
- Children will be cared for locally if possible
- Children with very complex needs will have more support at home.

Benefits of midwife led delivery:

- A calm and relaxed place to have a natural child birth
- One to one care during labour
- Support with breast feeding
- Partners and visitors are welcome during labour and after the baby is born.

Benefits of a specialist consultant labour ward

- Consultant and theatre teams to manage complex deliveries at any time of day or night
- Rapid access to specialist children's doctors (neonatologists) for higher-risk and premature births
- Better access for advice and support for junior doctors and midwives.

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Czy Potrzebuje Pan/Pani ulotki z informacjami dla pacjentów w języku polskim?

Dewsbury and District Hospital
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