



# ACCOUNTABLE OFFICER'S UPDATE

## May 2021

Welcome to the Accountable Officer's Update for May 2021 with information on NHS programmes and service improvement across the city.

### Next Steps for the ICS

Progress on the next steps for the Humber, Coast and Vale Integrated Care System continues, as we currently look at resources and functions across the geographical partnerships, workforce profile and place arrangements. We await guidance from NHS England on senior management and future Board arrangements, however we know that integrated systems will require clinical leadership and it is important that this is retained.

From a Hull perspective, we have met with Hull City Council Chief Executive Matt Jukes and his corporate team to talk through what Place arrangements might potentially look like. We have had incredibly good buy-in from the council. They have been very willing partners and supportive of a joint approach towards making things work for Hull.

I will meet with Humber, Coast and Vale MPs at the end of May to update them on progress around the ICS developments. There has also been some very positive work recently with the Humber Partnership Board around provider collaboratives and role of Place within the ICS.

### Vaccination Programme

I'm proud to see we have now vaccinated over a million people in the Humber, Coast and Vale region, as we expand the programme to people aged 36 and over. The Hull vaccination programme has been successfully implemented through a massive partnership effort between the city's Primary Care



Networks, City Health Care Partnership CIC and other organisations.

They have kept up with the phenomenal pace of the programme and uptake has been extremely good. We are now focusing on the people who have not yet come forward for their vaccinations. Community engagement, including talking with people within neighbourhoods and local businesses, is under way to improve uptake.

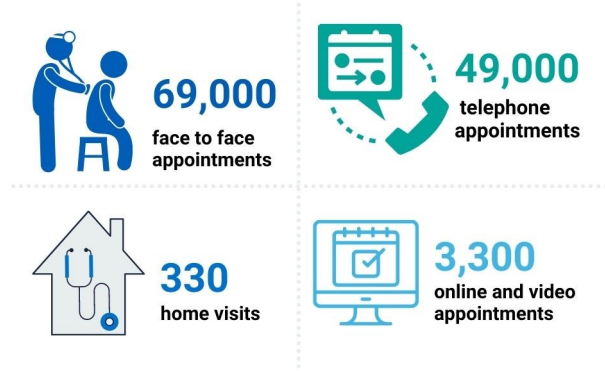
### Primary care

Although the UK is on course to emerge from lockdown measures in June, the NHS will still keep up its relentless focus on the recovery of services.

The demand for GP services remains high, and by continuing to offer digital solutions, practices are able to ensure patients are seen appropriately as quickly as possible. There's been a rise in digital consultations, but I thought it would be useful to share this graphic showing the level of activity during March 2021, where around 69,000 face to face appointments were delivered for patients in Hull.

### We're working hard to keep you well

In March 2021, Hull general practices offered:



GP practices have remained open throughout the COVID-19 pandemic and have been working hard to continue to see patients as needed. Like many NHS services across the country, practices have adapted and changed the way they see patients to

reduce the spread of the virus, and to keep patients and staff safe.

### People on the move

We have said goodbye to some longstanding staff members in the last two months including Rob Thompson, Nikki Dunlop, Jade Adams, Jess Lake, Rani Rooke and Matt Clarkson.

We have been fortunate to have had such a stable workforce over the last few years and I want to thank them all for their outstanding contribution to the work of Hull CCG. They have all moved to new permanent or seconded roles within the NHS, which is great to hear, and we wish them the very best for the future!

Clare Linley will be retiring from her position as Director of Nursing and Quality and her position on the Board from June. Although Clare has only been in Hull a short period of time she has made a huge difference to the Quality and Governance agenda. We have valued her experience, knowledge and kindness, and we are glad she will be able to continue with us on a part time basis as we transition towards the Integrated Care System.

I want to also pay tribute to Councillor Stephen Brady for his outstanding service to the city, as he steps down as Leader of Hull City Council after 10 years. Cllr Brady has always been a very supportive partner throughout many projects, most notably the City of Culture 2017. He should be personally very proud of what he has achieved and we wish him a happy and healthy retirement.

Councillor Daren Hale has been elected Leader and Councillor Hester Bridges has been elected as the new Deputy Leader of the city council. Hester will continue as Chair of the Hull Health and Wellbeing Board.

### Lung health checks are back!

I am delighted that Lung Health Checks in Hull are back following a temporary pause due to the coronavirus pandemic.

Thanks to the hard work and dedication of all those involved from Hull CCG, the Cancer Alliance and Hospital Trust, we have been able to resume the programme and introduce COVID-19 measures to ensure staff and patient safety.

Lung health checks will play a key role in improving outcomes for people in Hull at high risk of developing lung cancer, or other respiratory diseases—catching

things early when treatment can be simpler and more successful. We have seen the potential impact of this programme from its initial launch in January 2020, where it welcomed over 900 participants, helping to identify a number of cancers at an early stage and referred over 100 people to local stop smoking services.

If you receive a letter or phone call inviting you for a lung health check please attend the appointment. It could save your life!

[www.lunghealthcheck.org.uk](http://www.lunghealthcheck.org.uk)

### NHS Hull CCG's legacy

A significant amount of my time each week is taken up with process-driven work to support the ICS transition, so Jean Bishop's 99<sup>th</sup> birthday on 16 May was a great reminder of one of the legacy projects of the CCG.



The Jean Bishop Integrated Care Centre has continued to support frail, vulnerable people - adapting throughout the pandemic to support people in care homes and in the community. It is now also the base for the Humber-wide Long Covid Assessment Service that has already seen more than 100 referrals since March 2021.

The facility goes from strength to strength, truly resonating with the values that we want to embed in the Humber, Coast and Vale Integrated Care System.

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