

Future model of intermediate care in Barking and Dagenham, Havering and Redbridge

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In recent years Barking and Dagenham, Havering and Redbridge (BHR) Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs) have been working together with local councils and North East London NHS Foundation Trust to improve intermediate care services for local people.

Today, 11 December, the governing bodies of the three CCGs agreed on the future model of intermediate care, which is to:

- permanently establish home-based services - Community Treatment Team (CTT) and Intensive Rehabilitation Service (IRS)
- reduce the number of community beds so bed numbers are in line with modelling, which shows that between 40-61 community rehabilitation beds are needed in the three boroughs
- locate these beds on one site at King George Hospital in Redbridge.

GPs led on the development of the proposals while the trial of the new services allowed the time to test the model and make sure it's effective. Evidence tells us it is. More people are being seen by the new services and more quickly, they are incredibly popular with patients and families, and people are getting care where they have told us they want to be – at home, with better outcomes and improved satisfaction.

The comprehensive decision-making business case sets out the evidence the governing bodies considered and is available on our websites:

www.barkingdagenhamccg.nhs.uk/intermediatecare

www.haveringccg.nhs.uk/intermediatecare

www.redbridgeccg.nhs.uk/intermediatecare

The decision-making business case followed a 14 week consultation 'Making intermediate care better'. The responses to the consultation saw support overall and in each borough for the preferred option: home-based services where possible and one community rehabilitation unit on the King George Hospital site.

The CCGs will look to implement these changes in the 2015/16 financial year and will keep you updated on work to make sure this happens smoothly and that care remains consistently of high quality.

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