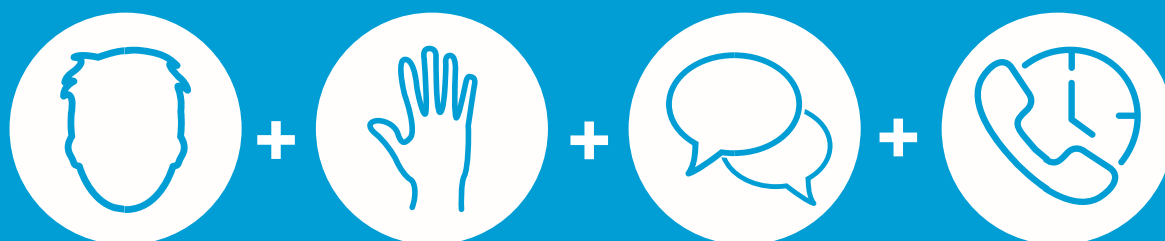




Stroke services in Coventry and Warwickshire

Public Consultation – easy read

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NHS Coventry and Rugby CCG, NHS South Warwickshire CCG
and NHS Warwickshire North CCG

About this booklet



Coventry and Rugby
Clinical Commissioning Group

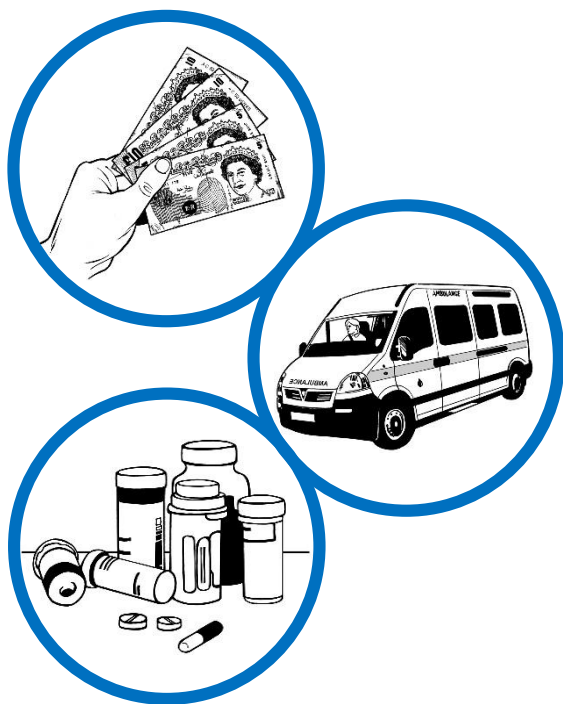


South Warwickshire
Clinical Commissioning Group



Warwickshire North
Clinical Commissioning Group

We are the 3 NHS clinical commissioning groups (CCGs) in Coventry and Warwickshire. We buy and plan health services for local people.



We want to make sure that patients get the best possible care from start to finish. We know we need to spend more money on stroke recovery care, ambulance services and medicines.



This booklet tells you about our ideas, how we developed our ideas and how you can have your say.

Tell us what you think



Patients, doctors and nurses have given us ideas of how to make stroke services better.



We want people to tell us what they think about our ideas. Please answer the questions at the end of this booklet.

You could also tell us your views by coming to one of our events. The event dates and places are on our website:

www.strokecovwarks.nhs.uk



Your opinion matters and will be used by the NHS to make local stroke services better for everyone.

What is a stroke?



A stroke is a problem with the brain that happens when the blood supply to part of the brain is cut off. Stroke is one of the main causes of death in the UK and the biggest cause of adult disability.



There are two types of stroke:

- An **ischaemic stroke** is caused by a blockage in one of the blood vessels leading to the brain.
- A **haemorrhagic stroke** is caused by a bleed in the brain.

A **transient ischaemic attack (TIA)** or 'mini-stroke' is a sign that a person is at risk of having a full stroke.



People of all ages can have strokes and be affected by them in the long term.

Why we need to change



We know that if a patient gets really good treatment in a special stroke unit, they have a greater chance of surviving and a lower risk of disability.



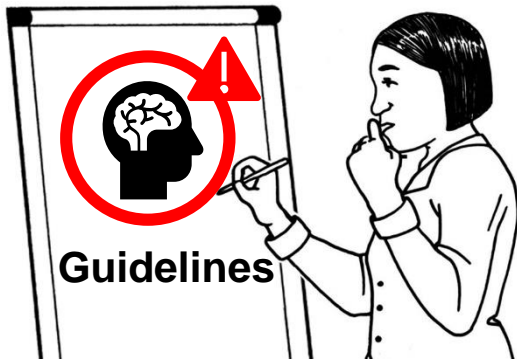
We also know that if we can improve local stroke services, patients could have a better chance of recovery.



We want to make sure that we use the latest treatments.

For example, removing blood clots with a machine could mean more people would not need further care after a stroke.

Current services



Stroke services in Coventry and Warwickshire offer good care but they do not meet the latest standards for the country or the local area. The services are different in each local area, and we want to make this better.

The main problems we have found are:

- Stroke patients are not always taken to the correct hospital unit.
- We do not have good services in every local area to help people after a stroke.
- We need more specialist stroke doctors and nurses.
- There are people with heart problems who could have their medicine changed to lower their risk of stroke. If we can find these people early, we may be able to stop them having a stroke.
- People want more information on how to stop a stroke from happening.
- We are not ready to follow the national NHS Long Term Plan for stroke services.

Developing our ideas



We have looked at services across England and worked with doctors and nurses to make a plan for making our services better.



We worked with the Stroke Association and a group of stroke patients and carers to hear their views.



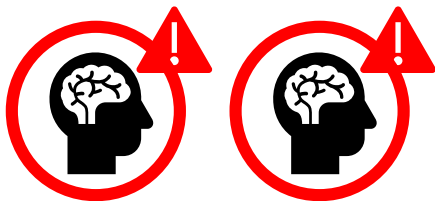
You can read more about our work with doctors, patients and carers in the full version of our public consultation document.

This work helped us make our plans and we would like to thank everyone who was involved.



**University Hospitals
Coventry and
Warwickshire**

NHS England is the organisation that leads health services in the country. They told us that the place that looks after people just after they've had a stroke had to be based at **University Hospitals Coventry and Warwickshire (UHCW)**. They also told us this place should be linked to the unit that takes care of patients after their first 3 days of having a stroke.



**University Hospitals
Coventry and
Warwickshire**

We looked at all the different ideas for where the stroke units could be. It was agreed that the best option was to have 2 stroke units at UHCW in Coventry.



All the feedback we were given helped us to think about how we could help people to lower their risk of having a stroke.

It also helped us to think about how we could provide better care for patients in hospital and when they're back at home.



We have thought about how people get to hospital if they have had a stroke or if they are visiting a family member and we want to make this easier.



Some people were worried about space for patients at UHCW, so we are thinking of having extra support services in and near their homes to help patients leave hospital faster.

Our ideas



For the last 4 years, we have worked with doctors, patients and the public to think how to make our stroke services better.



Our idea would make sure the services are the same across Coventry and Warwickshire, and would provide really good care for stroke patients from start to finish.



You can read more about our idea on our website:

[www.strokecovwarks.nhs.uk
/Documents/Documents](http://www.strokecovwarks.nhs.uk/Documents/Documents).

Acute or emergency stroke services



University Hospitals
Coventry and
Warwickshire

Our idea is that **acute, or emergency stroke services** for people who have just had a **stroke** would be at **University Hospitals Coventry and Warwickshire**.

Warwick Hospital

George Eliot Hospital

There would not be emergency stroke units at **Warwick Hospital** or the **George Eliot Hospital** in Nuneaton, because all patients would be treated at UHCW.

Rehabilitation stroke services



Our idea for **rehabilitation stroke services** is that there would be extra local services like physiotherapy to help people recover after they have left hospital.



Services to help patients get better would be based closer to their homes.

**Leamington Spa
Hospital**

George Eliot Hospital

Patients who need to continue to get better in hospital would go to the **Leamington Spa Hospital** or the **George Eliot Hospital** in Nuneaton.

Survey

1. Have you experienced a stroke or transient ischaemic attack (TIA)?

Please tick one box:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes, I have
<input type="checkbox"/>	No, I have not
<input type="checkbox"/>	I prefer not to say

2. Are you a carer, friend or relative of someone who has had a stroke or TIA?

Please tick one box:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes, I am
<input type="checkbox"/>	No, I am not
<input type="checkbox"/>	I prefer not to say

3. To what extent do you agree or disagree with our idea to have **all acute or emergency stroke services in Coventry**?

Please tick one box:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Strongly agree
<input type="checkbox"/>	Agree
<input type="checkbox"/>	Neither agree / disagree
<input type="checkbox"/>	Disagree
<input type="checkbox"/>	Strongly disagree
<input type="checkbox"/>	I prefer not to say

Please tell us the reason for your answer:

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4. Please tell us about the impact our idea to have all acute or emergency stroke services in Coventry would have on **you**:

Please tick one box:

<input type="checkbox"/>	No impact
<input type="checkbox"/>	Positive impact
<input type="checkbox"/>	Negative impact
<input type="checkbox"/>	I prefer not to say

Please tell us the reason for your answer:

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5. Please tell us about the impact our idea to have all acute or emergency stroke services in Coventry would have on **your family / friends / carer**:

Please tick one box:

<input type="checkbox"/>	No impact
<input type="checkbox"/>	Positive impact
<input type="checkbox"/>	Negative impact
<input type="checkbox"/>	I prefer not to say

Please tell us the reason for your answer:

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6. To what extent do you agree or disagree with patients who have had a stroke being given **support to leave hospital as soon as they are able to** (early supported discharge)?

Please tick one box:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Strongly agree
<input type="checkbox"/>	Agree
<input type="checkbox"/>	Neither agree / disagree
<input type="checkbox"/>	Disagree
<input type="checkbox"/>	Strongly disagree
<input type="checkbox"/>	I prefer not to say

Please tell us the reason for your answer:

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7. Please tell us about the impact that early supported discharge services would have on **you**:

Please tick one box:

<input type="checkbox"/>	No impact
<input type="checkbox"/>	Positive impact
<input type="checkbox"/>	Negative impact
<input type="checkbox"/>	I prefer not to say

Please tell us the reason for your answer:

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8. Please tell us about the impact that early supported discharge services would have on **your family / friends / carer**:

Please tick one box:

<input type="checkbox"/>	No impact
<input type="checkbox"/>	Positive impact
<input type="checkbox"/>	Negative impact
<input type="checkbox"/>	I prefer not to say

Please tell us the reason for your answer:

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9. To what extent do you agree or disagree with rehabilitation being available in hospital at **Leamington Spa Hospital and the George Eliot Hospital in Nuneaton?**

Please tick one box:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Strongly agree
<input type="checkbox"/>	Agree
<input type="checkbox"/>	Neither agree / disagree
<input type="checkbox"/>	Disagree
<input type="checkbox"/>	Strongly disagree
<input type="checkbox"/>	I prefer not to say

Please tell us the reason for your answer:

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10. Please tell us about the impact that having hospital rehabilitation at Leamington Spa Hospital and the George Eliot Hospital in Nuneaton would have on **you**:

Please tick one box:

<input type="checkbox"/>	No impact
<input type="checkbox"/>	Positive impact
<input type="checkbox"/>	Negative impact
<input type="checkbox"/>	I prefer not to say

Please tell us the reason for your answer:

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11. Please tell us about the impact that having hospital rehabilitation at Leamington Spa Hospital and the George Eliot Hospital in Nuneaton would have on **your family / friends / carer**:

Please tick one box:

<input type="checkbox"/>	No impact
<input type="checkbox"/>	Positive impact
<input type="checkbox"/>	Negative impact
<input type="checkbox"/>	I prefer not to say

Please tell us the reason for your answer:

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(For example, can you suggest another option?)

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Equalities survey – optional

We recognise and actively promote the benefits of diversity and we are committed to treating everyone with dignity and respect regardless of age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex (gender) or sexual orientation. To ensure that our services are designed for the population we serve, we would like you to complete the short monitoring section below. The information provided is optional and will only be used for the purpose it has been collected for and will not be passed on to any third parties.

13. Which area of Coventry or Warwickshire do you live in?

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14. What is your postcode?

**Please use all capital letters
e.g. CV34 4DE**

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15. What is your gender?

Please tick one box:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Male
<input type="checkbox"/>	Female
<input type="checkbox"/>	I prefer not to say
<input type="checkbox"/>	I prefer to self-define:

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16. If female, are you currently pregnant or have you given birth within the last 12 months?

Please tick one box:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes
<input type="checkbox"/>	No
<input type="checkbox"/>	I prefer not to say

17. What is your age?

Please tick one box:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Under 16
<input type="checkbox"/>	16-24
<input type="checkbox"/>	25-34
<input type="checkbox"/>	35-59
<input type="checkbox"/>	60-74
<input type="checkbox"/>	75+
<input type="checkbox"/>	I prefer not to say

18. What is your ethnic group?

Please tick one box:

White

<input type="checkbox"/>	English/Welsh/Scottish/ Northern Irish/British Irish
<input type="checkbox"/>	Gypsy or Irish Traveller
<input type="checkbox"/>	Any other White background:

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Mixed/Multiple ethnic groups

<input type="checkbox"/>	White and Black Caribbean
<input type="checkbox"/>	White and Black African
<input type="checkbox"/>	White and Asian
<input type="checkbox"/>	Any other Mixed/Multiple ethnic background:

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Asian/Asian British

<input type="checkbox"/>	Indian
<input type="checkbox"/>	Pakistani
<input type="checkbox"/>	Bangladeshi
<input type="checkbox"/>	Chinese
<input type="checkbox"/>	Any other Asian background:

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**Black/African/Caribbean/
Black British**

<input type="checkbox"/>	African
<input type="checkbox"/>	Caribbean
<input type="checkbox"/>	Any other Black/African /Caribbean background:

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Other ethnic groups

<input type="checkbox"/>	Arab
<input type="checkbox"/>	Any other ethnic group:

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19. Do you look after, or give any help or support to family members, friends, neighbours or others because of either:
Please tick as many boxes as you need to:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Long-term physical or mental ill-health/ disability
<input type="checkbox"/>	Problems related to old age
<input type="checkbox"/>	No
<input type="checkbox"/>	I prefer not to say
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other:

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20. Are your day-to-day activities limited because of a health condition or illness which has lasted, or is expected to last, at least 12 months? **Please tick as many boxes as you need to:**

<input type="checkbox"/>	Vision (such as due to blindness or partial sight)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mobility (such a difficulty walking short distances, climbing stairs)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Ability to concentrate, learn or understand (Learning Disability/ Difficulty)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mental ill-health
<input type="checkbox"/>	Social or behavioural issues (such as due to neuro diverse conditions like autism, attention deficit disorder or Asperger syndrome)

<input type="checkbox"/>	Hearing (such as due to deafness or partial hearing)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Dexterity (such as lifting and carrying objects, using a keyboard)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Memory
<input type="checkbox"/>	Stamina, breathing difficulty or fatigue
<input type="checkbox"/>	No
<input type="checkbox"/>	I prefer not to say
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other:

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21. What is your sexual orientation?

Please tick one box:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Bisexual (both sexes)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Heterosexual (straight)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Gay/lesbian (same sex)
<input type="checkbox"/>	I prefer not to say
<input type="checkbox"/>	I don't know / not sure
<input type="checkbox"/>	I prefer to self-define:

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22. Are you:

Please tick one box:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Single (never married or partnered)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Married/civil partnership
<input type="checkbox"/>	Co-habiting (living with someone)
<input type="checkbox"/>	I prefer not to say

<input type="checkbox"/>	Married (but not living with husband/wife/civil partner)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Separated (still married or in a civil partnership)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Divorced/dissolved civil partnership
<input type="checkbox"/>	Widowed/surviving partner/civil partner
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other:

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23. What is your religion or belief? **Please tick one box:**

<input type="checkbox"/>	No religion
<input type="checkbox"/>	Bada'i
<input type="checkbox"/>	Buddhist
<input type="checkbox"/>	Christian (Church of England/Catholic/Protestant and all other Christian denominations)

<input type="checkbox"/>	Hindu
<input type="checkbox"/>	Jain
<input type="checkbox"/>	Jewish
<input type="checkbox"/>	Muslim
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sikh
<input type="checkbox"/>	I prefer not to say
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other:

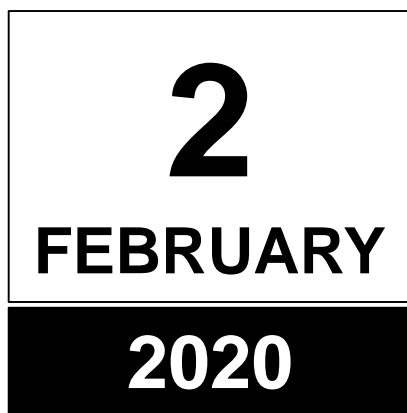
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What happens next?



Please post your completed survey to Freepost
NHS QUESTIONNAIRE RESPONSES.

Please make sure you use capital letters as shown in the address, so the Post Office machines can scan the address. There is no need to include a stamp.



The survey closes on **2 February 2020.**



We will look at all of the comments before we decide what to do.

Thank you

Thank you to our partners:

- University Hospitals Coventry and Warwickshire NHS Trust
- South Warwickshire NHS Foundation Trust
- George Eliot Hospital NHS Trust
- Coventry and Warwickshire Partnership NHS Trust
- Warwickshire County Council
- Coventry City Council
- West Midlands Ambulance NHS Foundation Trust.

Thank you for taking the time to complete this survey.

Your feedback is really valuable and will be used to help us make decisions about stroke services in our area for the future.

This booklet tells you about our ideas for stroke services in Coventry and Warwickshire, how we developed our ideas and how you can have your say.

For more information, or if you need this document in another format, please contact us:



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