

Health & Social Care Moray

Delivering Home First for Moray



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Discharge to Assess ready for launch

Discharge to Assess (D2A) launches on Monday 5th October as an initial six month project.

Kick-start funding has been secured from the partnership to support the secondment of Occupational Therapy staff to provide leadership and for Occupational Therapy and Physiotherapy Support Workers.

The project has also been able to second two redeployed Therapy Support Workers to assist for the duration of the project which will run until 31st March 2021.

There will also be Geriatric Advanced Nurse Practitioner input to add to the comprehensive geriatric assessment of patients at home as part of the multi-disciplinary team.

Performance management and evaluation of D2A is being supported through the Moray Home First Delivery Group and at a Grampian level. This will enable the project

to consider the higher-level measures of improvement as well as the granular detail of patient-focused outcomes.

Colleagues are asked to be supportive as D2A finds its feet.

Dawn Duncan, work stream lead, said: “Please bear with us - this service is not funded in its entirety and we have moved resource to provide this trial and seconded staff with a great enthusiasm to make this work.

“The D2A team leads will be spending the next week focusing on communicating with the medical and nursing staff within DGH. Referrals will come from therapy staff who have assessed patients who meet the criteria drawn up in draft for the pilot. It is hoped that through effective communication on each of the wards and Emergency Department, we will be able to identify patients early for D2A.”

Hospital at Home

Health Improvement Scotland led on a pathway mapping/Hospital at Home session earlier this week for NHS Grampian and the three health and social care partnerships.

Participants were presented with an overview of the national model for Home for Hospital as a service that provides acute, hospital-level care by healthcare professionals in a home context for a condition that would otherwise require acute hospital inpatient care.

The session compared current models across Grampian and how closely they reflected the national consultant-led model before identifying opportunities, challenges and enablers to developing the model across Grampian, before rounding off with potential next steps.

