

Date: 6 October 2020

Title: Buckinghamshire Integrated Care System Winter Plan

Author and/or contact officer: Caroline Capell, Director of Urgent and Emergency Care

Report Sponsor: Integrated Care Partnership

Report for information/decision or approval: *For information and support from members to help deliver the aims of the Winter Plan*

Recommendations:

The Health and Wellbeing Board is invited to receive and note the updates and presentation at the meeting and consider its role in supporting identified areas and recommendations included in the report, including a commitment to:

- Ensuring the safety of patients during the Winter Period and during the Covid Pandemic:
- Supporting staff
- Working together as a Buckinghamshire System to provide the best care in the right setting for our population
- Engaging and communicating with our population and key stakeholders in a timely, supportive and safe way

Summary

- 1.1 The Winter Plan is part of an annual planning process in collaboration with Buckinghamshire Integrated Care Partnership led by the Urgent Care Board.
- 1.2 The Winter Plan this year has been developed alongside the Covid Second Surge Plan and Flu Plan, recognising the additional pressures within the Buckinghamshire System, as we are entering into winter whilst remaining in the COVID Pandemic.
- 1.3 Buckinghamshire ICP have initiated the Recovery Programme as an opportunity to undertake a wider Transformation Programme for all Urgent and Emergency Care Services. The winter surge and flu plans have been developed within the context of this wider plan.
- 1.4 The presentation will highlight the plans, strategy and objectives that will help support the Buckinghamshire system and population around Winter 20/21.
- 1.5 An update will also be provided on the government policy paper *Adult Social Care: Covid-19 winter plan 2020-2021* published on 18 September 2020.

Consultation and communication

- 1.6 The Winter Plan is supported by a Communications Strategy to insure that the media and residents are informed about NHS and Council preparations for winter and to encourage residents to self-care wherever possible and reduce unnecessary admissions to A&E.

Background papers

N/A