



Chief Executive Report

Health Executive Group

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<b>Is your report for Approval / Consideration / Noting</b>		
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<b>Links to the ICS Five Year Plan (please tick)</b>		
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Understanding health in SYB including prevention, health inequalities and population health management	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Working with patients and the public	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Getting the best start in life	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Empowering our workforce	
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<b>Building a sustainable health and care system</b>	<b>Broadening and strengthening our partnerships to increase our opportunity</b>	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Delivering a new service model	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Partnership with the Sheffield City Region	
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<b>Are there any resource implications (including Financial, Staffing etc)?</b>		
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<b>Summary of key issues</b>		
This monthly paper from the System Lead of the South Yorkshire and Bassetlaw Integrated Care		

System provides a summary update on the work of the South Yorkshire and Bassetlaw health and care partners for the month of March 2021.

**Recommendations**

The SYB ICS Health Executive Group (HEG) partners are asked to note the update and Chief Executives and Accountable Officers are asked to share the paper with their individual Boards, Governing Bodies and Committees.

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### SOUTH YORKSHIRE AND BASSETLAW INTEGRATED CARE SYSTEM

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## 1. Purpose

This paper from the South Yorkshire and Bassetlaw Integrated Care System System Lead provides an update on the work of the South Yorkshire and Bassetlaw health and care partners for the month of March 2021.

## 2. Summary update for activity during March

### 2.1 Coronavirus (COVID-19): The South Yorkshire and Bassetlaw position

The South Yorkshire and Bassetlaw (SYB) vaccination programme continues to make good progress with efforts recently focused on encouraging people to take up the offer in cohorts 1-9 who have not yet been vaccinated. While the overall uptake is high (86 per cent across cohorts 1-9) teams continue to work incredibly hard to encourage as many people as possible to take up the offer.

Cases continue to fall across Yorkshire and the Humber region. Three months ago the regional seven-day rolling average was between 2000-2200 cases a day and it is now between 850-650. In SYB, the latest data (April 6<sup>th</sup>) shows a 90 per cent reduction in COVID-19 cases in over-70s age groups. The over-50s and 60s age-ranges, school and working age groups are also showing a similar steady decline in new cases.

As the lockdown restrictions ease, it remains vital that communities across SYB continue to follow the public safety guidance.

### 2.2 Regional update

The North East and Humber Regional ICS Leaders meet weekly with the NHS England and Improvement Regional Director. During March discussions focused on the ongoing COVID-19 response and vaccination programme, the planning guidance and operational priorities for 2021/22, ICS development and People Framework.

### 2.3 National update

The NHS 2021/22 priorities and operational planning guidance were published on 25th March. The guidance sets out six priority areas for the year ahead:

- Supporting the health and wellbeing of staff and taking action on recruitment and retention
- Delivering the NHS COVID-19 vaccination programme and continuing to meet the needs of patients with COVID-19
- Building on what we have learned during the pandemic to improve the delivery of services, provide elective and cancer care, manage the increasing demand on mental health services, and continue to improve maternity care

- Expanding primary care capacity to improve access, local health outcomes and address health inequalities
- Transforming community and urgent and emergency care
- Working collaboratively across systems to deliver on these priorities

In SYB ICS, partners are now coming together to develop a plan for SYB which puts these priorities into action, with final plans expected to be completed by early June.

## **2.4 Voluntary, Community and Social Enterprise SRO Update**

Following the departure of Catherine Burn as the Voluntary, Community and Social Enterprise Senior Responsible Officer (SRO, I am pleased to welcome Shafiq Hussein, as the new SRO. Shafiq, who is the CEO of Rotherham VCSE, was recommended by the SYB VSE Leaders Group as the new SRO.

Once again I would like to thank Catherine for her leadership and the instrumental role she has played throughout the last five years in establishing strategic partnerships both in the ICS and also in Bassetlaw.

## **2.5 Cancer Alliance: Supporting Rapid Diagnostics within the Lower Gastrointestinal (GI) Pathway and Lung Health Checks**

Faecal Immunochemical Testing (FIT) has been used over the last few years to help assess the risk of colorectal cancer and since the COVID-19 pandemic the use of FIT has been expanded. From Monday 8th March, across SYB and Chesterfield, the change adopted during the pandemic (to cover more high risk patient groups) was enhanced further. The SYB Cancer Alliance agreed that GPs should request that a patient completes a FIT before they are referred for further investigations.

The SYB Cancer Alliance is also helping to support efforts in Doncaster to detect lung cancer earlier, with COVID-19 secure mobile scanning trucks servicing the local population. The new Lung Health Check service started at the end of March and will run for 12 months until March 2022.

## **2.6 Academic Health Science Network (AHSN) update**

Richard Stubbs, Chief Executive Officer of Yorkshire and Humber Academic Health Science Network (AHSN), has taken on the role of Vice Chair of the AHSN Network. Richard will remain the CEO of the Yorkshire & Humber AHSN whilst in the new role and will be supporting Gary Ford who will take up the role of Chair. The Chair and Vice Chair remit is to lead and maintain the collective ambition of the Network's 15 AHSNs.

Richard has also recently published his reflections on the main findings that emerged from the AHSN's work to evaluate the impact of the rapid innovations adopted across health and care systems in North East and Yorkshire healthcare systems, including South Yorkshire and Bassetlaw. More information can be found here: <https://www.yhahsn.org.uk/news/understanding-covid-19/?ref=>

In addition, the national AHSN Network and LGBT Foundation have joined forces to launch a nationwide call for innovations to help address health inequalities facing lesbian, gay, bisexual and trans (LGBT+) communities. Examples of developments in this area will be showcased in a new report to be published later this year.

## **3. Finance update**

The system is still on track to achieve operating within the system revenue and capital envelopes. The latest forecast is to achieve an adjusted revenue surplus of £32.4m and an underspend against the capital envelope of £13.7m. The system has been notified of its funding envelope for

the first half of the year which is £1.45b and represents a 1.9% increase over the system funding for the second half of 20/21. Work is ongoing to develop draft system plans for submission to NHS England and Improvement by 6 May.

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