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Pulmonary Rehab Services

1) Who commissions the Pulmonary Rehab services your patients have access to and who provides these services?

Core Pulmonary Rehab is commissioned by the Health and Social Care Board, provided by the respiratory team for patients with an MRC 3 or above for chronic respiratory disease which include COPD, bronchiectasis, pulmonary fibrosis.

New short term commissioning for post Covid pulmonary rehab started in November 2021 for six months. Currently no long term commissioning in place for this new service.

2) When did the services first commence?

Core Pulmonary Rehab has been running in the Trust for >15 years

3) How many patients have been referred to the service in the last 12 months and 24 months of data held?

Core Pulmonary Rehab - 883 for 24 months.
Post Covid pulmonary rehab 195 (From November 21 – March 22)

4) Of these being referred how many have actually attended the service in these same time periods?

We have 1167 new and review attendances for the Core Pulmonary Rehab service in 2020/2021, and 2471 new and review attendances in 2021/2022.

Post Covid pulmonary rehab has had 107 new and review attendances from (November 2021 - March 2022)

5) How long does the average patient stay within the services?

Both Programs are 6 weeks long.

6) What is the current waiting list size for the service?

Core Pulmonary Rehab – 179 Total Waiting at 30 April 2022

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Post Covid Pulmonary Rehab – 38 Total Waiting at 30 April 2022

7) What is the current remaining contract durations for these services?

Core Pulmonary Rehab is recurrently funded. The Trust is awaiting approval from DoH re extending post Covid pulmonary rehab.

8) Has the CCG ever commissioned Digital Respiratory Services?

No, clinicians moved to virtual classes and telephone calls over Covid but no digital respiratory services have been commissioned.

If so were these for Pulmonary Rehab?

Post Covid pulmonary rehab was delivered virtually and commissioned short term but Core Pulmonary Rehab was not.

If so who were the providers?

BHSCT moved to virtual pulmonary rehab classes during the pandemic but this was not commissioned and was as a result of clinicians' problem solving and innovating to deliver services during the pandemic. We have now adopted a hybrid model of virtual and face to face classes all delivered by BHSCT for Core Pulmonary Rehab.

For post Covid pulmonary rehab, we work in partnership with Greenwich Leisure Limited (GLL) to deliver the programme through virtual and face to face programmes.

If so how many patients have utilised this digital element?

Core Pulmonary rehab virtual contact is 356 during 2020/2021 and 1080 for 2021/2022 (9 March 20 – March 2022) Post Covid pulmonary rehab virtual contacts is 81 (November 2021 – March 2022)