

Comments from Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland CCGs on NHS Rehabilitation Centre

The proposals for the NHS Rehabilitation Centre do not fit with the LLR Home First Strategy. We believe keeping patients in a hospital environment is not positive for their general health. In LLR we have heavily invested in outpatient rehabilitation and are looking to improve day case rehabilitation services, not inpatient services. Work is taking place to ensure that our community neuro rehab team is more joined up with the acute teams.

There is no trauma centre in LLR. Patients are sent to Nottingham or Coventry/Warwick. Therefore there is little need for LLR CCG to refer patients to a Rehabilitation Centre. Reviewing the data we have small numbers of neuro rehab patients who would require this type of facility. We currently have an eight bedded brain injury centre which functions well and there is no desire to close this facility. For stroke patients we have a cohesive acute and community team delivering rehab to this patient group. This pathway is currently being reviewed as part of specialty reviews. The service is based around outpatient / home visits. Therefore at this time LLR CCG does not feel it can support the inpatient model proposed for the National Rehabilitation Centre. Were the NHS Rehabilitation Centre to be based on a day case rather than inpatient model then Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland CCGs may be able to support it.

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