

## NHS HIGHLAND

### MAKI UPDATE REPORT TO MAKI AREA COMMITTEE MEETING ON 8 APRIL 2015 RENAL SERVICES AND OBSTETRIC SCANNING SERVICE

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#### RENAL SERVICES

The proposal for a Hub and Spoke model of Dialysis within the CHP was presented to the CHP Core Management Team in September 2014, and after considerable deliberation a decision was made to undertake the pilot within Campbeltown. The pilot will ascertain if this kind of model can be established, sustained and supported “remotely” by the specialist renal team from NHS GG&C to ensure a high quality and safe local community dialysis service.

It is acknowledged that there are other areas within the CHP where travel is still required. It is important to highlight that this new Unit in Campbeltown is a pilot for Argyll and Bute and we will evaluate the service after one year from when it commences (Summer 2015). The evaluation will consider the clinical outcomes for patients, accessibility, demand and utilisation and ongoing financial implications.

**Nurse training** - The Nurses from Campbeltown Hospital have commenced their training programme at Stobhill Hospital in Glasgow. The training comprises of 4 weeks intense training in Stobhill Unit and then continued training in the Vale of Leven Hospital where the Campbeltown patients currently dialyse.

This training is being funded by the British Kidney Patient Association up to £45,000.

**Location of the Unit** – As the project developed it was realised that the initial proposed location, within the small Dayroom on the ward, would not be big enough or suitable to meet all the clinical and operational specifications for the Unit. This change was driven from infection control guidelines about spacing between the machines and chairs and separation of patients from the general ward.

A new location at the bottom of the Ward was then identified as an ideal location for the unit to be situated. This required the conversion of the 2 side rooms which has increased the costs of the project. The new location will mean that patients can be separated from the rest of the ward in the event of an outbreak of infection, they will have an exclusive entrance into the Unit, reducing infection risks to these patients who have reduced immunity.

**Timescales** - The anticipated timescales are as follows:

- **19/01/15:** - 4 weeks for drawings, tender package and lodgement of Building Warrant. This period also includes sign off from NHS Fire Officer, Infection Control and Stobhill.
- **16/02/15:** - 3 weeks tender period.
- **9/03/15:** - 1 week for tender report and client acceptance
- **16/03/15:** - 2 weeks CDM preparation by Contractor (Health and safety Preparation)
- **30/03/15:** - 10 weeks on site build

A total of 20 weeks to completion. Estimated time of completion early June

With the identification of an alternative location within the hospital, and the increased size and specification for the unit, particularly in relation to infection control, the cost has increased from the original estimate.

For reference the Infection control alterations for the Unit have been costed and come to £20,000. It has been agreed that £20,000 can be given from the CHP budget next year to cover these additional costs.

The CHP has also committed to meeting the revenue costs of the Dialysis Unit. The CHP acknowledges the contribution local donations and fundraising has made to this project initiation.

## **OBSTETRIC SCANNING SERVICE**

Work has been underway over the past year by the CHP to explore options for delivering an expanded scanning service for women during pregnancy. This work needed to address the requirements laid down by the National Screening programme and to support the delivery of local services where possible.

The CHP has agreed to:

- Work with NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde to develop clear pathways, guidelines and governance framework for delivery of obstetric sonography services in Argyll and Bute
- Recruit 3 midwives to undertake training as midwife sonographers
- Implement training, supervision and mentorship for each midwife
- Replace scanning equipment as required
- Plan to deliver new model of service in Argyll and Bute from autumn 2016

The CHP will establish a project team to progress this, to full implementation by autumn 2016.