

HOSC/Plastics at SRH – For consideration

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Proposal

Repatriation of elective Plastic Surgery activity from St Richard's Hospital Chichester

Context:

Portsmouth Hospitals NHS Trust (PHT) currently provides a Plastic Surgery service to out of area West Sussex patients at St Richards's Hospital Chichester (SRH).

The service consists of a weekly Out Patient clinic and a GA Day Case theatre session on alternate weeks for both adult and paediatrics. However, as this service is led by a Military Consultant the service is not available when that Consultant is on leave. There is also provision for the more complex In-Patient surgical procedures to be undertaken at PHT.

PHT does have accountability for the delivery of the activity within RTT targets.

Objectives:

- To maintain the provision of a Plastic Surgery Out-Patient service to out of area patients in the West Sussex area.
- To repatriate the theatre GA Day Case list to PHT.
- To improve the patient pathway by ensuring that all patients are seen and treated within appropriate timescales.
- To provide greater flexibility in the Plastic Surgery Department, to maximise capacity and provide greater opportunities to expand the service to West Sussex out of area patients.
- To provide a long term cost effective service delivery model which ensures patients are treated within target.
- SRH are currently experiencing theatre capacity pressures and view this as a win: win for both Trusts.

Impact:

Currently Coastal Sussex CCG (formally Western Sussex) patients account for 85% of the SRH GA activity. This equates to 127 patients per annum. The remaining 15% of patients are private patients plus 1 Hampshire patient.

HOSC are asked to consider this repatriation of service for the benefit of the patient and in the best interest of the Trusts involved.