



Addressing the Challenge of Long Term Conditions

Project

The project brief is to deliver clinical intelligence that helps healthcare professionals and clinical commissioners design and deliver innovative and cost effective care services.

The project focuses primarily on improving patient health outcomes. Part of the solution here is the better use of community care nurses and case managers.

The project is a partnership between Sollis, NHS South West London Cluster, Johns Hopkins University, The Nelson Commissioning Group and the IPCC (Integrated Primary Care Commissioning LLP).

The challenge of Long Term Conditions requires innovative new ways of thinking and doing. In this regard, the partnership is a perfect example of how collaborative ventures – in this case between the public, private and academia – can make a real difference to healthcare outcomes.

Systems

At the heart of the technical solution are Sollis's Clarity Commissioning software and the Johns Hopkins Adjusted Clinical Groups® (ACG®) system. These systems bring together primary, secondary care and prescribing data. Clarity business intelligence delivers reports in support of risk stratification, predictive modelling, performance management and quality of care metrics.

The integration of the Johns Hopkins ACG® grouper into Sollis Clarity Commissioning provides a single point of reference for clinical, financial and activity information for clinicians and managers.

Long Term Conditions

The Johns Hopkins ACG® system supports the emerging clinical commissioning agenda by identifying and reporting on the morbidity burden of a population. Long Term Conditions are a key component of the stratified cohort, enabling clinical commissioners to find innovative ways of managing multi-morbidity patients, redesigning primary and community services and developing pathways to improve outcomes.

Summary

Clarity Commissioning supports cooperative working between GPs, case managers and community nurses. Where this has worked well is when GPs and community nurses review patients together to identify those that could benefit from early intervention, preventing more expensive acute interventions.

Clarity Commissioning allows clinical commissioners to consider the needs of a whole population when commissioning services whilst at the same time ensuring that the individual is cared for appropriately through effective case management.

"This is so powerful because it provides us with evidence. Decisions can be based on hard intelligence and not anecdotes and fairy tales."

Dr Vasa Gnanapragasam, Stonecot Surgery, Cheam, Surrey



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