

NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde	Paper No. 25/08
Paper Title:	East Renfrewshire Integration Joint Board Report
Meeting:	NHSGGC Board Meeting
Date of Meeting:	25 February 2025
Purpose of Paper:	For Assurance
Classification:	Board Official
Date of IJB	29 January 2025
Committee Chairperson:	IJB Vice Chair: Mehvish Ashraf

1. Purpose of Paper

The purpose of this paper is to inform the NHS Board on key items of discussion at the East Renfrewshire Integration Joint Board (IJB) which took place on [29 January 2025](#).

2. Recommendation

The Board is asked to note the key items of discussion at the recent meeting of the IJB as set out below and seek further information or assurance as required.

3. Key Items of Discussion

- **Rehab, Frailty and Unscheduled Care**

There was a presentation providing a deep dive into the rehab service and frailty pathways to give IJB members a more in-depth understanding of how the team works to improve lives and reduce hospital admissions.

The service has been reshaped to manage the increased demand that we have been seeing for some time and is tribute to the leadership of the manager who has developed the only integrated rehab service within GGC which allows individuals to have full holistic assessment and reduce handovers. The team also works closely with the leisure trust and other partners.

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IJB members found the presentation very useful and welcomed the sector leading approach, noting that it highlights integration does work. They suggested that it might be worthwhile having a campaign to increase awareness of future care planning within the community. There was also some discussion regarding the pressure on out of hours services and a recognition that there are future plans to review these.

- **Winter Planning 2024/2025**

Following on from Rehab, Frailty and Unscheduled Care presentation, there was an update on winter planning and the whole year planning approach around unscheduled care, avoiding admissions and timeous discharge which is undertaken in collaboration with partners, the third sector and fire service.

IJB members noted their thanks to staff who had been working during the red weather alert.

IJB members raised concerns around the cohorts for flu vaccination advising that by the time individuals were aware they would not be included many pharmacies had run out. It was noted that this is set nationally and that a pharmacy lead is speaking to Scottish Government about this as pharmacies are required to order prior to guidance being released.

- **Discharge with Delay Position**

The regular update shared the latest position and there was some discussion as to why we are seeing an increase in the number of AWI delays in under 65s. This still needs to be fully understood but is most likely due to degenerative conditions such as MS and Parkinsons. Once the data has been fully analysed we may undertake some targeted comms e.g. in relation to POA.

IJB members also appreciated the use of more positive language, both in terms of 'discharge without delay', and other examples within the earlier presentation.

- **Revenue Budget Monitoring**

The report highlighted the projected overspend for the financial year at £1.281 million which is a reduction of £0.503 million in projected costs since last reported.

It was noted that the projection by partner contribution shows an overspend of £2.164m against NHS funded activity and a projected underspend of £0.883m against Council funded activity. Prescribing remains the most significant overspend at just over £2.7m based on the month 8 projection (November), however the IJB was advised that the month 9 information is looking more positive and shows that projected costs should reduce by around £0.4m mainly from increased rebates and price reductions.

IJB members were happy to note the report and acknowledged that further discussion on prescribing would take place at the seminar on 5th February.

4. Issues for referral to Standing Committees of the Board or escalation to the NHS Board

There were no issues for referral or escalation to other Standing Committees or the NHS Board.

The HSCP continue to look at every opportunity to reduce costs, particularly within our NHS funded activity to try to balance, or at least mitigate our pressures come year end.

5. Approved Minutes from IJB Meeting held on 20 November 2024

At the January meeting, the minute of 20 November 2024 was approved. The minute from the January meeting will be discussed in 26 March 2025.

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6. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the East Renfrewshire IJB will take place on 26 March 2025.