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Chronic Conditions Management and Telehealth

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Outline

- Background
- CCM Framework
- Service Improvement Plan
- Setting the Direction
- Virtual Ward Concept
- Telehealth
- Lessons Learnt

Evidence suggests that people with chronic conditions:

- Account for up to **80%** GP consultations
 - **60%** of hospital bed days are for patients with chronic disease or related complications
 - **Two thirds** of patients admitted as medical emergencies have exacerbation of chronic disease, or have chronic disease
 - **10%** of inpatients account for 55% of inpatient days
- DoH 2004

In Wales:

- Wales has a higher proportion of reported limiting long-term illness (**23%**) compared with England (**18%**), Scotland and Northern Ireland (**20%**)
- **1/3** of adults report having at least one chronic condition
- **2/3** of over 65 year olds report having at least one chronic condition with **1/3** having multiple chronic conditions
- **3/4** of over 85 year olds report having a limiting long-term illness

- The most commonly reported chronic condition treated in Wales is arthritis (**14%**), followed by respiratory (**13%**) and chronic heart condition (**9%**)
- Intensive users of in patient services have on average **3** chronic conditions
- It is estimated that by **2014** there will be a **12%** increase in adults with at least one chronic condition and **20%** increase in those over 65

National Strategy

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Social Care for Wales
Century

Making the Connections -
Delivering Beyond Boundaries

Transforming Public Services in Wales



November 2006

Designed to Improve
Health and the Management of
Chronic Conditions in Wales

W. Rhys Iwan Jones

February 2007

Designed for People with
Chronic Conditions

Service Improvement Unit
Commissioning Directorate

Chronic Respiratory Conditions

October 2007



Designed to Improve Health
and the Management of
Chronic Conditions in Wales

Service Improvement Plan 2005-2011

January 2008

Rural Health Plan

Improving Integrated Services in Rural Wales



Background

“Designed to Improve Health and the Management of Chronic Conditions in Wales – an integrated model and framework” (April 2007) with emphasis on:

- Whole systems approach to improvement across health and social care and other partners
- Proactive, early intervention not reactive
- Transitional funding was provided to support the development and testing of the model elements
- Targeting services at people in all four defined tiers of risk, not just the top
- Undertaking health needs assessments of chronic conditions prevalence and nature
- Stratifying needs and risks, across all four levels of the CCM model
- Reviewing current service provision to determine local actions and resources needed to strengthen CCM community services
- Establishing CCM core teams including CCM care service coordinators and case managers as in the model

CCM – Integrated model and framework

Identifies 4 levels of care with emphasis on:

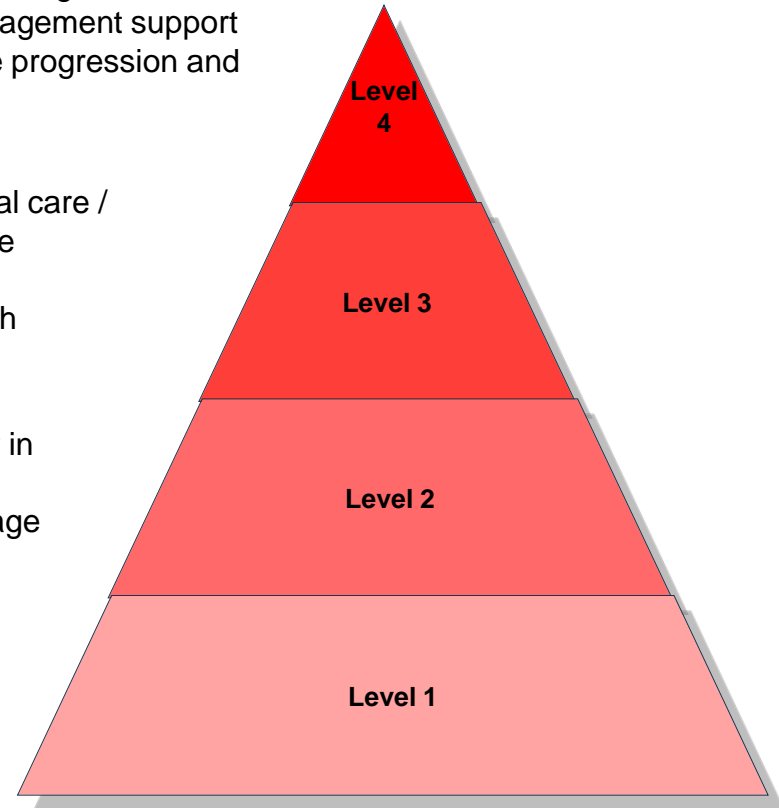
- Targeting services at people in all four defined tiers of risk not just the top
- Focused targeted delivery integrated with mainstream service delivery
- Whole systems approach to improvement across health and social care and other partners
- Proactive, early intervention not just reactive
- Use of generic pathway to support care

People with chronic conditions and complex needs who frequently use hospitals and residential care and require ongoing care coordination including case management in addition to disease management and self-management support to avoid hospitalisations and complications, slow down disease progression and maintain optimal help

People with chronic conditions who are at high risk of residential care / hospitalisation, requiring care coordination and ongoing disease management in addition to self-management support to avoid complications, slow down progression and maintain good health

People with chronic conditions who can be optimally cared for in the community (general practice and other community based services), with self-management support to monitor and manage their condition and its risk factors

The general population, for whom primary prevention, early detection and assessment will maintain good health throughout life with appropriate information and service signposting





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Level 1:

Primary prevention and health promotion

- Strong infrastructure to promote healthy lifestyles across communities
- Promotion of :
 - Healthy eating
 - Exercise
 - Smoking cessation
 - Weight management
 - Moderate drinking
 - Social inclusion
- Healthy environment including work places and homes
- Promotion of shared responsibility to maintain health and well being
- Where appropriate, early diagnosis through screening



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Level 2: Population management: 'Practice based' CCM Programme

- GP 'practice-based' services, built around the General Medical Services (GMS) Contract with registration of patients
- Targeted information, monitoring and proactive management
- Referral to Education Programme for Patients (EPP), other self management programmes and voluntary sector services (such as Diabetes UK), and to national screening if appropriate (such as diabetic retinopathy screening)
- Early identification, assessment and diagnosis of chronic conditions and factors impacting on these such as housing





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Level 3: High Risk Management: Locality based CCM services

- Services provided at locality level for patients at high risk, depending on locally developed plans. May include services for patients with failure of 'control' (e.g. deteriorating blood tests) at level 2, or requiring new intermediate type services (e.g. diabetic or other specialist, physiotherapist, occupational therapist, investigations – e.g. echocardiography, GP with special interest (GPwSI) services)
- May be provided in community-based facilities, hospitals, other health centres / clinics, or in individual GP practices on behalf of the locality



Level 4: Case managed services

- Holistic case assessment based on Unified Assessment principles
- Case management of complex high risk case with care coordinator
- Identification of complex cases because of historic service uptake (frequent admissions) or on the basis of additional patient risk assessment (multiple conditions and frailty), and needing multi-sector assessment etc

CCM Service Improvement plan

- Set out implementation of the vision for CCM in Wales
- Clarified the actions needed to implement CCM model and framework
- **Aims:**
 - Reduce levels of mortality and avoidable emergency admission to hospital
 - Minimise risks associated with living with chronic condition, maximise independence
 - Integral part of effective mainstream services in the community
 - Robust Evaluation

Setting the Direction

- Vision for delivering services in the community
- Improving the interface between in and out of hours services
- Partnership working
- Communications Hubs
- Creating a pull system
- Locality CRTs
- Enhancing skills in the community

Service Directives

- Series of documents establishing towards remodelling services for people with Chronic conditions
- Compiled by multi professional multi agency reference groups
- Outlines incidence
- Outlines evidence base
- Prevention assessment diagnosis and management, facilitating independence
- Reporting of key actions to Welsh Government



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Virtual Ward Concept- Added Value

- Reduce unplanned and unscheduled care demand throughout the healthcare system
- Prevent chronic condition deterioration or exacerbation in high risk groups.
- Reduce hospital admissions specifically for exacerbations of chronic conditions and frail elderly patients
- Achieve an earlier hospital discharge for those patients who no longer require acute hospital care.
- Reduce the number of acute medical beds within hospital system
- Provide a visible community and primary care structure that is seamless in its delivery
- Facilitate 'flow' of individuals through the total system, and use of acute bed capacity efficiently and effectively supporting consistent delivery of elective service delivery and improving quality and performance



More Anticipatory Care

Case manage and upstream interventions for:

Individuals with predicted high risk of admission - PRISM

High dependency / non steady state patients identified by GP

Individuals at risk of falling as identified by FRAT score

Patients registered with a chronic disease

More telephone based support

Support compliance with treatment plans

Telehealth telemedicine telecare

Emphasis public health messages

Secondary prevention strategies

Guided self management

Lifestyle coaching

Signposting to supporting services / organisations

In summary

- Prevention and early intervention are fundamental
- Services planned around a generic CCM pathway to support provision within local communities
- Integrate and reconfigure existing services to improve service delivery and access including new ways of working
- Seamless care provided by integrated MDT's working across primary, secondary and social care
- Monitoring of performance against clear actions and outcomes
- Improvements needed are extensive and complex
- Dependent on good planning and management in partnership with all stakeholders

Supporting Technology

- Telecare devices



Control unit



Alarm button



Fall detector



Gas detector



Door exit sensor



Temperature sensor



Flood detector



Bed or chair occupancy sensor



Smoke detector/alarm



Pressure mat



Alarm pill dispenser



Pull cord alarm

Telemedicine



Telehealth in Hywel Dda

Better Breathing

EU funded project – four field trial sites across Europe including Wales www.betterbreathing.org

Primary objective:

- To assess the validity of telehealth homecare in COPD in a Welsh healthcare system. (Is it safe and useable?)

Secondary objectives:

- Does telehealth reduce healthcare contacts?
- Does telehealth reduce hospital admissions?
- Does telehealth improve quality of life?

Summary: Baseline

- Severe COPD
- Extensive co-morbidity
- Matched apart from for telehealth group, a longer period since pulmonary rehabilitation and higher on MRC dyspnoea scale

Procedure

Randomised

n=20
Baseline QoL

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Baseline QoL

Telehealth 6 months

Standard care 6 months

QoL and HCCs

QoL and HCCs

Standard care 6 months

Standard care 6 months

QoL and HCCs

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Telehealth device – Docobo HealthHUB



Data collection

- From 0600 to 1200
- Awake at night
- Wheeze
- Cough
- Breathlessness
- Daily activities
- Temperature
- Saturations

- From 12.01 to 2300
- Breathless
- Wheeze
- Sputum
- Reliever use

- Saturations



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Data collection

- Questions:
- Better / same / worse / much worse
- Temp $> \underline{38}^{\circ}$ C
- Pulse $> \underline{140}$ bpm

If 2 or more alerts then automated e-mail
to respiratory nurses

Enroll new patient
 List active patients
 Agreement archive

▶View patient data
 Messages to patient

Logout
 Configuration

Patient Thomas ([Ag-17446](#)) age: 63

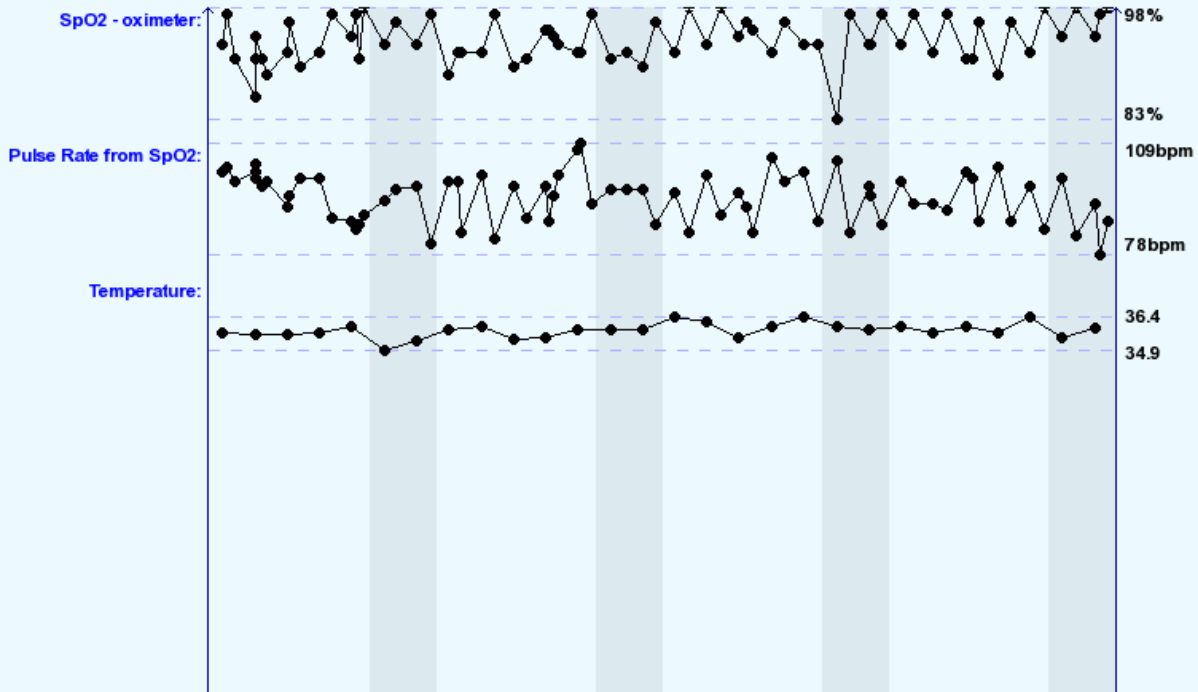
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New message to patient

Register an intervention

Configure alerts

Configure questions



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Daily Activities:	[Color-coded bar chart]																												
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Nighttime Breathlessness:	[Color-coded bar chart]																												
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Day measurements in detail

10:12	Did you awake during the night due to breathlessness?	No
10:12	How is your wheeze today?	None
10:12	How is your cough today?	Same cough
10:13	SpO2 reading - 'Nonin'	SpO2: 92% Heart rate: 92 bpm
10:13	Was this finger oxygen reading taken on:	Room air
10:15	Please take your temperature and enter the value using the number pad	35.7
10:15	How is your breathlessness today?	As usual
10:15	How able are you to do your daily activities (washing, dressing etc)	As usual
19:59	How is your breathlessness today?	More than usual
19:59	How is your wheeze today?	None
19:59	Have you produced sputum today?	More than usual
	What colour is your sputum today?	Clear
20:00	SpO2 reading - 'Nonin'	SpO2: 97% Heart rate: 90 bpm
20:00	Was this finger oxygen reading taken on:	Your normal oxygen mask/pipe

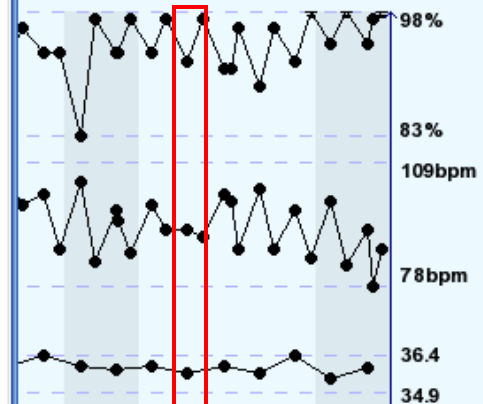
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Exit

Logout
Configuration

Register an intervention

Configure questions



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Relieving Medication:	February 18-21: Green; 22-29: Yellow; 1-6: Yellow; 7-11: Yellow; 12-16: Yellow
Daily Activities:	February 18-21: Yellow; 22-29: Yellow; 1-6: Yellow; 7-11: Yellow; 12-16: Yellow
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Better Breathing - Outcomes

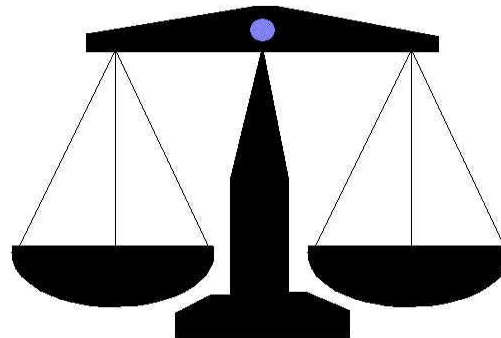
Primary outcomes

Found to be simple to use and patients coped well
 No adverse events/ 1 drop-out at 6 weeks (nursing home)
 Well accepted by staff

Secondary outcomes

Mean per 30 days	Standard (n=19)	Telehealth (n=18)	P-value
Patient reported contacts (chest)	1.3	0.9	.50
Patient reported contacts (non-chest)	0.6	0.1	.34
GP listed contacts (chest)	0.6	0.6	.99
GP listed contacts (non-chest)	0.7	0.5	.76

Cost-effectiveness of telehealth



Start up costs
£115,783

Running costs
£35,147

TOTAL costs Y1
£150,930

A&E attendances
saved 84 x £691 =
£58,044

Hospital admissions
saved 36 x £2131¹ =
£76716

GP contacts saved
780 x £32² = £24960

TOTAL savings Y1 =
£159,720

1 Int J Clin Pract 2007; 61: 1112 – 1120

2 Unit Costs of Health and Social Care 2010

<http://www.pssru.ac.uk/uc/uc2010contents.htm>

Telehealth - COPD Randomised Controlled Trial

- WAG funded, 2 centre, powered, crossover RCT
- Any admissions for COPD within last 2 years
- Irrespective of PR or severity

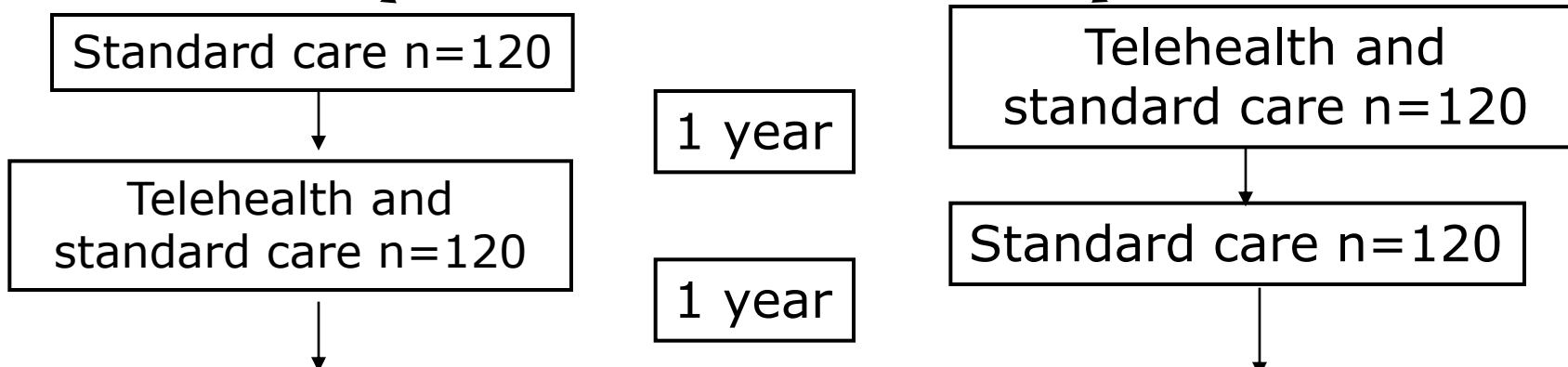
Primary Objective:

- Does home telemonitoring reduce healthcare use in recurrent hospital attenders with COPD?

Secondary objectives:

- Does telehealth reduce primary and community healthcare contacts?
- Does telehealth reduce secondary care contacts and duration?
- Does telehealth improve quality of life?
- To record telehealth usage / concordance during the 12 month monitoring period
- To determine cost-effectiveness of telehealth using changes in EQ5D, CAT scores and healthcare contact information

Procedure
Recruited n=240, diagnosis confirmed and treatment checked/optimised



OUTCOMES (0,12,24 months)
 Primary: Hospital admissions, TH plus standard care vs standard care alone
 Secondary:

- GP, hospital and CDM team contacts
- Deaths/withdrawals
- Quality of Life (EQ5D, CAT scores)
- Telehealth usage
- Cost-effectiveness

Current progress

- Recruitment ongoing, slower than expected – approx 170 of 240 target
- Poorer data compliance than seen in Better Breathing group
- Higher drop-out rate (due to deaths/withdrawals) than in Better Breathing study

Lessons Learnt

All non-clinical tasks undertaken by local authority's telecare team staff/chronic conditions management administrative support:

- Installing devices and providing patient training
- First-line monitoring of uploaded patient data
- Escalation of clinical alerts to nursing team by telephone
- Resolving technical alerts and technical problems

Other issues:

- Use of GPRS models to address problems with home set-up – no landline or power sockets sited away from telephone sockets and immobile patients
- Difficulties with peripheral devices – low readings on thermometers and pulse oximeters
- Changing staff behaviour is more challenging than changing patients' behaviour



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Whole Systems Demonstrator (WSD)

- Largest RCT of **telehealth and telecare** in the world, involving **6191 patients, 238 GP practices** across three sites, Newham, Kent and Cornwall.
- Set up to look at cost effectiveness, clinical effectiveness, organisational issues, effect on carers and workforce issues.
- Focused on **diabetes, COPD and coronary heart disease**.

Early indications show that if used correctly telehealth can deliver:

- **15%** reduction in A&E visits
- **20%** reduction in emergency admissions
- **14%** reduction in elective admissions,
- **14%** reduction in bed days and an 8% reduction in tariff costs.

- More strikingly they also demonstrate a **45%** reduction in mortality rates.



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Conclusions

1. Embedding telehealth into existing community specialist nursing service has the potential to:
 - Help patients take more responsibility for day-to-day care
 - Enable nurses to monitor patients remotely, contact those who need support and reduce the number of inappropriate home visits
 - Reduce travelling for the nursing service
 - Improve relationships between patient and nurse
 - Provide better support for carers

2. New ways of working are essential to allow us to care for people in their own homes
3. Integrated working with health and social care allows us to use technology differently
4. Different technologies should be considered for different service users
5. Doesn't suit everybody
6. Embed in a current service



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