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Stroke Services Presentation to the Special Health and Partnerships Scrutiny Committee 8th May 2012



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## **BACKGROUND**

- Stroke is a major cause of death and disability in County Durham and Darlington (Approx 1100 new cases each year)
- Several drivers for change in service
  - 24/7 access to hyperacute stroke services and direct access to a specialist stroke unit
  - Early access to specialist stroke consultants
  - Early brain imaging
  - Access to thrombolysis services 24/7 if required
  - Appropriate physiological monitoring in a high dependency setting
  - Appropriate MDT input from a range of specialists
  - Provide a seven day TIA service







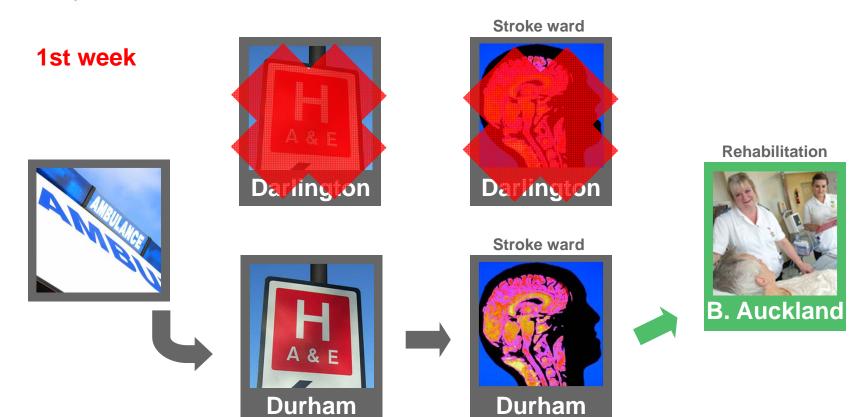
## PREVIOUS SERVICE

- Hyperacute stroke service split across 2 sites (UHND and DMH)
  - Alternating site for admissions
  - Limited number of stroke physicians across both sites
  - No direct admissions
  - Unduly long door to needle times for thrombolysis
  - Poor patient experience





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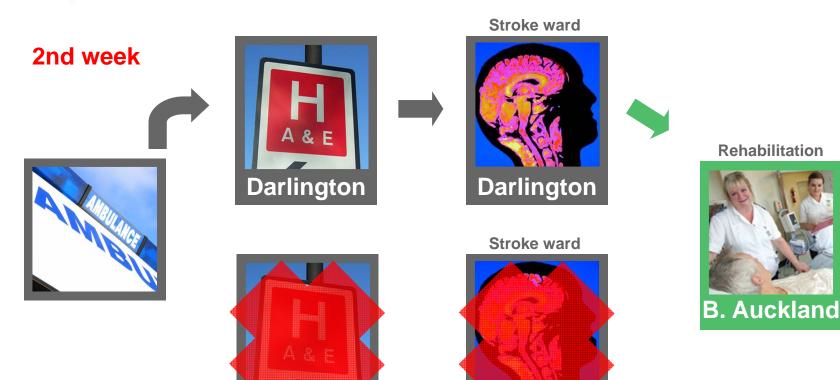


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## **NEW SERVICE**

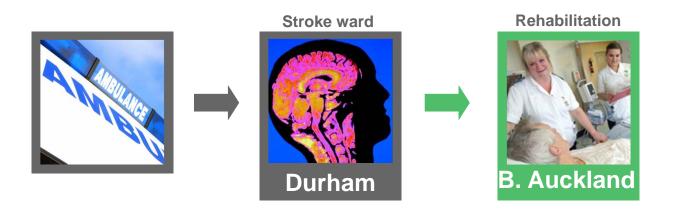
- Consolidation onto a single site at UHND (19<sup>th</sup> December 2011)
  - 16 Bedded stroke unit (mobile monitoring system)
    - » 4 assessment beds
    - » 4 hyperacute beds
    - » 8 stroke unit beds
  - Telemedicine support for patients in other clinical areas
  - NEAS pre-alert for stroke admissions
  - Direct access to imaging

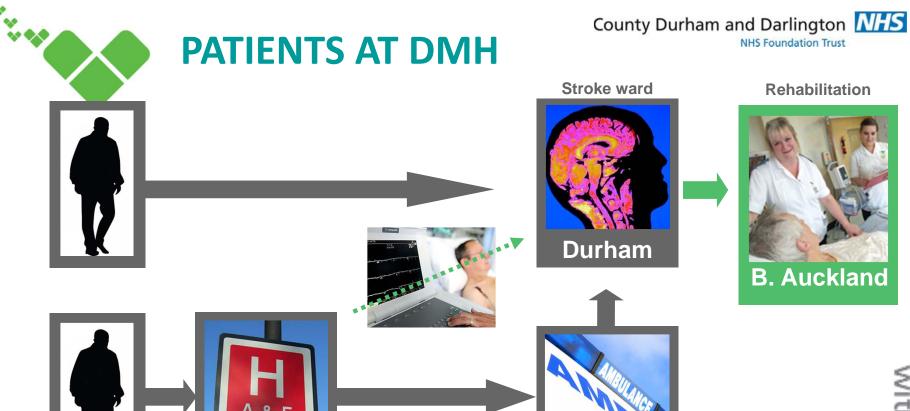




## **CURRENT PATHWAY (JAN 2012)**

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•For patients self presenting at DMH or who are already in patients at DMH

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• Patients assessed using telemedicine and treated as required with onward transfer to the stroke unit at UHND

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Referral of ACUTE STROKE patients to County Durham and Darlington foundation NHS trust by NEAS, YAS EMTs, Paramedics and ECPs

Stroke Thrombolysis service available 24/7 within CDDFT

#### **Suspected diagnosis of Acute Stroke**

Management: Assess ABCD. If conscious, sit patient up Baseline Observations: Oxygen to maintain SpO2 at 95% FAST test. BM test. 12 lead ECG

Please note:

if GCS <10 please take directly to the emergency department \*Remember to take all patient medications and a relative where appropriate\*

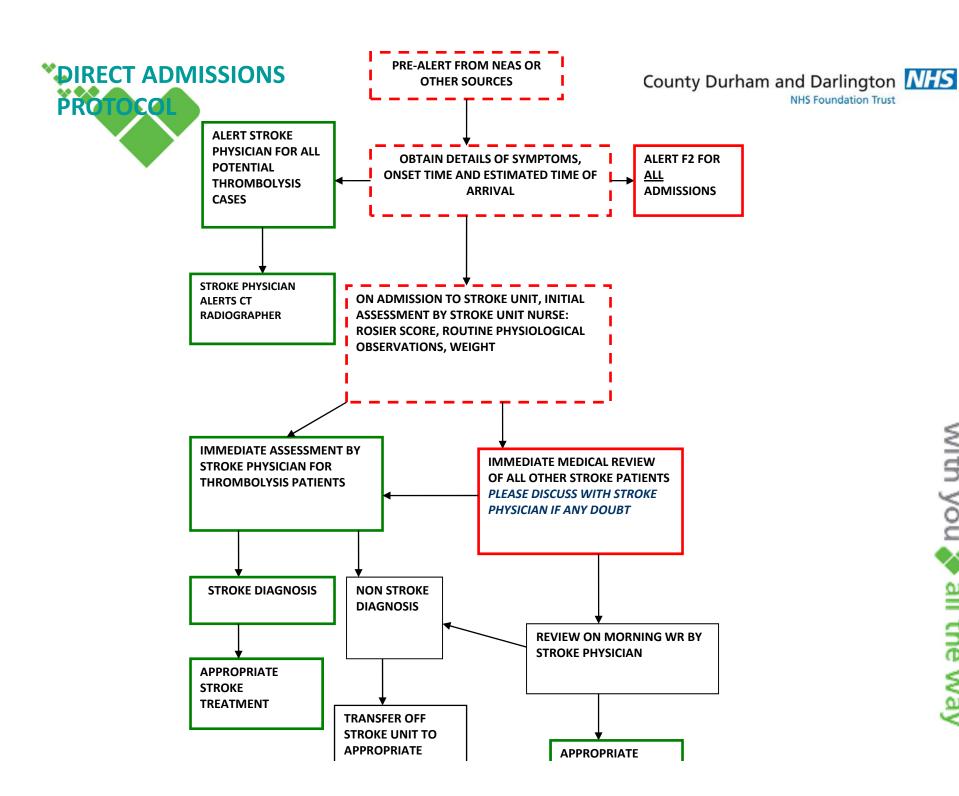
If in any doubt ring stroke physician on call via UHND switchboard

### PRE ALERT THE ACUTE STROKE UNIT (UHND)\*

on dedicated ambulance phone via ambulance control to pre-alert stroke unit. Pass all relevant patient information including time of onset of symptoms and ETA

\*UHND \*\*\*\*\*\*\*

Transport DIRECTLY to Stroke Unit, Ward 2, UHND 24/7 with you 🍣 all the way







- 7 day therapy service continues at BAGH rehabilitation centre of excellence
- Improvements in Speech and language therapy provision
- Close links with the stroke association
- Development of joint care plans





#### **OUTCOMES: KEY INDICATORS**

	90% of stay on SU	CT scan within 24 hours	CT scan within 1 hour	% admitted to stroke unit 4 hours of arrival	% seen by stroke team within 24hours
Qtr 1 cumulative	85.50	74.20%	47.90%	55.38%	93.85%
Qtr 2 cumulative	87.40	78.80%	44.60%	64.83%	90.34%
Qtr 3 cumulative	87.00%	83.00%	49.10%	50.00%	80.52%
Qtr 4 cumulative	93.3%	<u>89.9%</u>	<u>69.0%</u>	90.21%	<u>97.90%</u>

- Significant improvements in performance
- Thrombolysis rate of about 15-20%
- Improved patient experience
- Improved staff morale

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## **OUTCOMES: THROMBOLYSIS**

Number Of Patients Thrombolysed	29	
Time From Arrival To Be Seen	29	Average Minutes
Door To Imaging	37	Average Minutes
Door To Need Time	58	Average Minutes

Significant improvement in door to needle times





## **OUTCOMES: THERAPY**

	Swallow screen within 4 hours of admission	SALT Assessment within 72 hours of admission	Physio Assessment within 72 hours of admission	OT assessment within 72 hours of admission	MDT goals set within 5 days of admission
Qtr 1 Cumulative	96.15%	98.46%	97.69%	97.69%	96.92%
Qtr 2 Cumulative	97.93%	98.62%	98.62%	98.62%	100%
Qtr 3 Cumulative	98.05%	98.20%	97.40%	97.40%	99.35%
Qtr 4 Cumulative	<u>98.78</u>	<u>100%</u>	<u>100%</u>	<u>100%</u>	<u>100%</u>

Sustained improvement on therapy performance









## 'DARLINGTON' COHORT

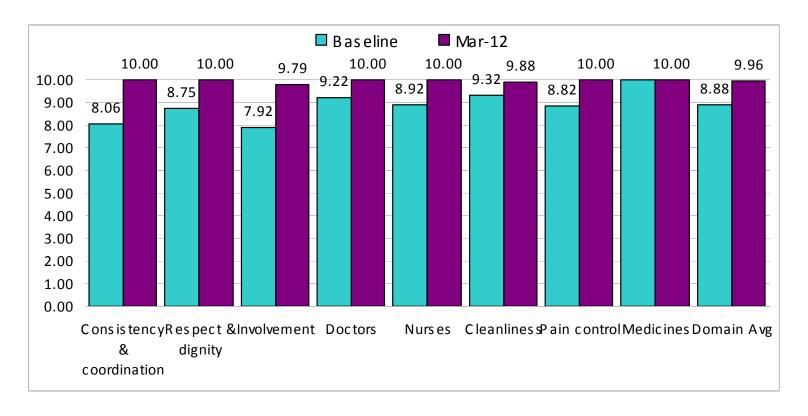
 69 confirmed strokes admitted to HASU at UHND

 Length of stay: 4.77 vs 5.84 for all patients at UHND





# PATIENT EXPERIENCE Ward 2 - UHND



• On a scale of 1-10 the likelihood of recommendation to families and friends based on the care on this ward is 8.89 compared to a baseline of 7.55





## RESEARCH

- Improved participation in research studies
  - Highest recruiting centre in the Northeast
- Additional research studies added to portfolio







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## **NEXT STEPS**

- Continuing development of the service
  - Development of specialist nursing roles
- Recruitment of additional consultants
- Development of rehabilitation service
  - Enhanced seven day working (Acute)
  - Community rehabilitation including early supported discharge
- Development of data collection systems to support real time data flow (Capture stroke)



