

QUAD OF AIMS
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Title : Winter Pressures and preparedness

Start Date:

End Date:

Scrutiny Committee: Health and Partnerships Scrutiny Committee

REASON FOR ITEM	RESOURCE (TIME REQUIRED & PERSONNEL)
<p>An item to be considered on how local NHS are in a position to deal with winter pressures. Members of this Scrutiny Committee considered a similar report in 2010 and found the exercise extremely interesting and informative.</p> <p>A similar item was recently considered at Tees Valley Health Scrutiny Joint Committee in respect of Season flu and winter preparedness across the Tees Valley and a further report is being submitted to the Joint Committee in February/March 2012.</p> <p>A comparison specifically to how Darlington is performing during the winter months will assist Members when speaking to residents and having discussions with Tees Valley colleagues.</p>	<p>Democratic Services</p> <p>NHS County Durham and Darlington</p> <p>County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust</p>
PROCESS	ANTICIPATED OUTCOME
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. This is intended to be a single agenda item. 2. Receive a joint presentation from Officers and other external partners (following consideration at Tees Valley Health Scrutiny Joint Committee). 3. Question any areas with relevant Officers. 4. Challenge areas which could be done differently. 5. Promote and reassure residents of Darlington about NHS Preparedness for the winter months. 6. Feedback any good practice to Tees Valley colleagues. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. An understanding of how the NHS prepare for winter and the implementation of local plans 2. Receive regular updates through NHS Briefings

DOES THIS ITEM CONTRIBUTE TOWARDS THE STRATEGIC AIMS OF THE COUNCIL? Yes

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