

Southport & Formby Clinical Commissioning Group

Integrated Performance Report Summary – October 2021

Summary Performance Dashboard

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Metric	Reporting Level			Q1			Q2			Q3			Q4		YTD
	Level		Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	
E-Referrals - NB Reporting suspended on this metric curr	ently														
NHS e-Referral Service (e-RS) Utilisation Coverage Utilisation of the NHS e-referral service to enable choice		RAG													
at first routine elective referral. Highlights the percentage via the e-Referral Service.	Southport & Formby CCG	Actual													
	1 omby coc	Target													
Diagnostics & Referral to Treatment (RTT)															
% of patients waiting 6 weeks or more for a diagnostic		RAG	R	R	R	R	R	R	R						
test The % of patients waiting 6 weeks or more for a	Southport &	Actual	15.1%	18.41%	18.43%	17.37%	32.15%	31.54%	30.31%						
diagnostic test	Formby CCG	Target	<1%	<1%	<1%	<1%	<1%	<1%	<1%	<1%	<1%	<1%	<1%	<1%	<1%
% of all Incomplete RTT pathways within 18 weeks		RAG	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	~170	V170	V170	V170	V170	V170
Percentage of Incomplete RTT pathways within 18 weeks of referral	Southport &														
	Formby CCG	Actual	77.41%	79.17%	79.68%	79.32%	78.32%	77.38%	75.59%						
Referral to Treatment RTT - No of Incomplete		Target	92%	92%	92%	92%	92%	92%	92%	92%	92%	92%	92%	92%	92%
Pathways Waiting >52 weeks The number of patients waiting at period end for	Southport &	RAG	R	R	R	R	R	R	R						
incomplete pathways >52 weeks	Formby CCG	Actual	412	355	335	320	342	354	350						
		Target	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cancelled Operations															
Cancellations for non-clinical reasons who are treated within 28 days		RAG	R	R	R	R	R	R	R						R
Patients who have ops cancelled, on or after the day of admission (Inc. day of surgery), for non-clinical reasons to	Southport & Ormskirk Hospital	Actual	3	6	3	4	1	4	4						25
be offered a binding date within 28 days, or treatment to be funded at the time and hospital of patient's choice.		Target	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Urgent Operations cancelled for a 2nd time Number of urgent operations that are cancelled by the		RAG	G	G	G	G	G	G	G						G
trust for non-clinical reasons, which have already been previously cancelled once for non-clinical reasons.	Southport &	Actual	0	0	0	0	0	0	0						0
	Cimokin Hospital	Target	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Cancer Waiting Times															
% Patients seen within two weeks for an urgent GP referral for suspected cancer (MONTHLY)		RAG	R	R	R	R	R	R	R						R
The percentage of patients first seen by a specialist within two weeks when urgently referred by their GP or	Southport & Formby CCG	Actual	87.80%	85.52%	85.82%	81.23%	76.79%	80.42%	67.42%						80.61%
dentist with suspected cancer		Target	93%	93%	93%	93%	93%	93%	93%	93%	93%	93%	93%	93%	93%
% of patients seen within 2 weeks for an urgent referral for breast symptoms (MONTHLY)		RAG	R	R	R	G	R	R	R						R
Two week wait standard for patients referred with 'breast symptoms' not currently covered by two week waits for	Southport & Formby CCG	Actual	92.31%	83.33%	80%	100%	88.89%	83.33%	47.62%						80.67%
suspected breast cancer	,	Target	93%	93%	93%	93%	93%	93%	93%	93%	93%	93%	93%	93%	93%
% of patients receiving definitive treatment within 1 month of a cancer diagnosis (MONTHLY)		RAG	R	G	G	G	R	R	G						R
The percentage of patients receiving their first definitive treatment within one month (31 days) of a decision to	Southport & Formby CCG	Actual	95.35%	97.89%	97.80	97.56%	89.04%	94.95%	96.34%						95.72%
treat (as a proxy for diagnosis) for cancer		Target	96%	96%	96%	96%	96%	96%	96%	96%	96%	96%	96%	96%	96%
% of patients receiving subsequent treatment for cancer within 31 days (Surgery) (MONTHLY)		RAG	R	R	R	G	G	R	R						R
31-Day Standard for Subsequent Cancer Treatments where the treatment function is (Surgery)	Southport & Formby CCG	Actual	80%	85.71%	93.33%	100%	100%	90.91%	91.67%						91.11%
N of actions are in a contract to the contract to		Target	94%	94%	94%	94%	94%	94%	94%	94%	94%	94%	94%	94%	94%
% of patients receiving subsequent treatment for cancer within 31 days (Drug Treatments) (MONTHLY)	Southport &	RAG	G	G	R	G	G	G	G						G
31-Day Standard for Subsequent Cancer Treatments (Drug Treatments)	Formby CCG	Actual	100%	100%	95.24%	100%	100%	100%	100%						99.24%
% of patients receiving subsequent treatment for		Target	98%	98%	98%	98%	98%	98%	98%	98%	98%	98%	98%	98%	98%
cancer within 31 days (Radiotherapy Treatments) (MONTHLY)	Southport &	RAG	G 400,000/	G	G 05 450/	G 4000/	G	G	G						G 00.260/
31-Day Standard for Subsequent Cancer Treatments where the treatment function is (Radiotherapy)	Formby CCG	Actual Target	100.00% 94%	100% 94%	95.45% 94%	100% 94%	100% 94%	100% 94%	100% 94%	94%	94%	94%	94%	94%	99.36%
% of patients receiving 1st definitive treatment for		RAG	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	3470	3470	3470	3470	3470	R
cancer within 2 months (62 days) (MONTHLY) The % of patients receiving their first definitive treatment	Southport & Formby CCG	Actual	79.59%	76.60%	65.85%	70.73%	66.67%	57.14%	76.47%						70.37%
for cancer within two months (62 days) of GP or dentist urgent referral for suspected cancer	Folinby CCG	Target	85%	85%	85%	85%	85%	85%	85%	85%	85%	85%	85%	85%	85%
% of patients receiving treatment for cancer within 62 days from an NHS Cancer Screening Service		RAG	R	R	R	R	R	R	R						R
(MONTHLY) Percentage of patients receiving first definitive treatment	Southport & Formby CCG	Actual	50%	60%	86.67%	77.78%	28.57%	64.29%	40%						62.5%
following referral from an NHS Cancer Screening Service within 62 days.		Target	90%	90%	90%	90%	90%	90%	90%	90%	90%	90%	90%	90%	90%
% of patients receiving treatment for cancer within 62 days upgrade their priority (MONTHLY)	Courthmont C	RAG	G	G	G										R
% of patients treated for cancer who were not originally referred via an urgent but have been seen by a clinician	Southport & Formby CCG	Actual	91.30%	100%	85.19%	84.21%	82.35%	66.67%	71.43%						83.44%
who suspects cancer, who has upgraded their priority.	(local target 85%)	Target	85%	85%	85%	85%	85%	85%	85%	85%	85%	85%	85%	85%	85%

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Metric	Reporting Level			Q1			Q2			Q3			Q4		YTD
			Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	
Accident & Emergency															
4-Hour A&E Waiting Time Target % of patients who spent less than four hours in A&E		RAG	R	R	R	R	R	R	R						R
	Southport & Formby CCG	Actual	84.02%	80.16%	80.33%	76.14%	76.11%	76.86%	76.25%						78.48%
		Target	95%	95%	95%	95%	95%	95%	95%	95%	95%	95%	95%	95%	95%
MSA															
Mixed sex accommodation breaches - All Providers No. of MSA breaches for the reporting month in		RAG													
question for all providers	Southport & Formby CCG	Actual	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available						
		Target	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mixed Sex Accommodation - MSA Breach Rate MSA Breach Rate (MSA Breaches per 1,000 FCE's)		RAG													
	Southport & Formby CCG	Actual	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available						
		Target	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
HCAI															
Number of MRSA Bacteraemia Incidence of MRSA bacteraemia (Commissioner)		RAG	G			R	R	R	R						R
cumulative	Southport & Formby CCG	YTD	0	0	0	1	2	2	3						3
		Target	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Number of C.Difficile infections Incidence of Clostridium Difficile (Commissioner)		RAG	R	R	R	R	R	R	R						R
cumulative	Southport & Formby CCG	YTD	8	13	17	22	25	32	38						38
		Target	3	5	7	9	11	14	16	19	22	25	28	30	30
Number of E.Coli Incidence of E.Coli (Commissioner) cumulative		RAG	G	G	G	G	G	G	G						G
	Southport & Formby CCG	YTD	8	17	24	32	44	59	65						65
		Target	16	30	42	54	65	76	87	100	115	130	142	152	152

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Metric	Reporting Level			Q1			Q2			Q3			Q4		YTD
	Level		Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	
Mental Health															
Proportion of patients on (CPA) discharged from inpatient care who are followed up within 7 days		RAG	G				R								
The proportion of those patients on Care Programme Approach discharged from inpatient care who are	Southport & Formby CCG	Actual	100%	100%	100%	100%	80%	100%	100%						97.14%
followed up within 7 days		Target	95%	95%	95%	95%	95%	95%	95%	95%	95%	95%	95%	95%	95%
Episode of Psychosis															
First episode of psychosis within 2 weeks of referral		RAG													
The percentage of people experiencing a first episode of psychosis with a NICE approved care package	Southport &	Actual		80%			85.7%								82%
within two weeks of referral. The access and waiting time standard requires that more than 50% of people do so within two weeks of referral.	Formby CCG	Target		60%			60%			60%			60%		60%
Eating Disorders															
Eating Disorders Service (EDS) Treatment commencing within 18 weeks of referrals		RAG	R	R	R	R	R	R	R						R
Treatment commencing within 10 weeks of felerials	Southport & Formby CCG	Actual	25.00%	29.40%	30.30%	30.3%	31.4%	32.5%	35.90%						30.6%
	1 omby coc	Target	95%	95%	95%	95%	95%	95%	95%	95%	95%	95%	95%	95%	95%
IAPT (Improving Access to Psychological The	erapies)			1											
IAPT Access The proportion of people that enter treatment against		RAG	R	R	R	R	R	R	R						R
the level of need in the general population i.e. the proportion of people who have depression and/or	Southport & Formby CCG	Actual	0.48%	0.47%	0.57%	0.50%	0.63%	0.78%	0.80%						4.23%
anxiety disorders who receive psychological therapies	Tomby CCC	Target	1.59%	1.59%	1.59%	1.59%	1.59%	1.59%	1.59%	1.59%	1.59%	1.59%	1.59%	1.59%	19%
IAPT Recovery Rate The percentage of people who finished treatment		RAG	R	G	R	G	R	R	G						R
within the reporting period who were initially assessed as 'at caseness', have attended at least two treatment	Southport & Formby CCG	Actual	42.40%	53.2%	40.9%	55.9%	40.0%	33.3%	50%						47.4%
contacts and are coded as discharged, who are assessed as moving to recovery.		Target	50%	50%	50%	50%	50%	50%	50%	50%	50%	50%	50%	50%	50%
IAPT Waiting Times - 6 Week Waiters The proportion of people that wait 6 weeks or less		RAG	G	G	G	R	G	G	G						G
from referral to entering a course of IAPT treatment against the number who finish a course of treatment.	Southport & Formby CCG	Actual	98.00%	95%	88%	74.0%	80%	83%	79%						85.3%
<u> </u>	, ,, , , ,	Target	75%	75%	75%	75%	75%	75%	75%	75%	75%	75%	75%	75%	75%
IAPT Waiting Times - 18 Week Waiters The proportion of people that wait 18 weeks or less		RAG	G	G	G	G	G	G	G						G
from referral to entering a course of IAPT treatment, against the number of people who finish a course of	Southport & Formby CCG	Actual	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%						100%
treatment in the reporting period.	, , , , ,	Target	95%	95%	95%	95%	95%	95%	95%	95%	95%	95%	95%	95%	95%

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Metric	Reporting Level			Q1			Q2			Q3			Q4		YTD
			Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	
Dementia															
Estimated diagnosis rate for people with dementia		RAG	R	R	R	R	R	R	R						R
Estimated diagnosis rate for people with dementia	Southport & Formby CCG	Actual	64.54%	64.58%	65.23%	65.6%	66.2%	66%	65%						65.31%
		Target	66.70%	66.70%	66.70%	66.70%	66.70%	66.70%	66.70%	66.70%	66.70%	66.70%	66.70%	66.70%	66.70%
Learning Disability Health Checks								ı							
No of people who have had their Annual LD Health Check cumulative		RAG		R			R								R
ricalin Greek cumulative	Southport & Formby CCG	Actual		12.09%			22.09%								22.09%
	1 dilliby CCC	Target		18%			35%			52%			70%		70%
Severe Mental Illness - Physical Health Cho	eck						Ro	olling 12 mo	onth as at er	nd of quarte	er				
People with a Severe Mental Illness receiving a full Physical Annual Health Check and		RAG		R			R								
follow-up interventions (%) Percentage of people on General Practice	Southport &	Actual		26.5%			27.3%								
Serious Mental Illness register who receive a physical health check and follow-up care in either a primary or secondary setting.	Formby CCG	Target		50%			50%			50%			50%		50%
Children & Young People Mental Health Se	rvices (CYPMH)													Rolling	12 month
Improve access rate to Children and Young People's Mental Health Services (CYPMH)		RAG					R								G
Increase the % of CYP with a diagnosable MH condition to receive treatment from an NHS-	Southport & Formby CCG	Actual		22.1%			7.7%								41.0%
funded community MH service		Target		8.75%			8.75%			8.75%			8.75%		35% YTD
Children and Young People with Eating Dis	sorders														
The number of completed CYP ED routine referrals within four weeks		RAG													
The number of routine referrals for CYP ED care pathways (routine cases) within four weeks	Southport & Formby CCG	Actual		upressed du eferrals in th			supressed of eferrals in t								
(QUARTERLY)		Target	0.00.7.2.10	95%			95%	9001101		95%			95%		95%
The number of completed CYP ED urgent referrals within one week		RAG													
The number of completed CYP ED care pathways (urgent cases) within one week (QUARTERLY)	Southport & Formby CCG	Actual		upressed du eferrals in th			supressed of eferrals in t								
, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	,	Target		95%	- 9001101	5011 2 1	95%	9001101		95%			95%		95%

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Metric	Reporting Level			Q1			Q2			Q3			Q4		YTD
			Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	
SEND Measures															
Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS) - % Referral to choice within 6 weeks - Alder Hey		RAG	R	R	R	R	R	R	R						R
•	Sefton	Actual	81.4%	62.5%	54.2%	56.5%	38.2%	37.8%	40.3%						53.0%
		Target	92%	92%	92%	92%	92%	92%	92%	92%	92%	92%	92%	92%	92%
Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS) - % referral to partnership within 18 weeks - Alder Hey		RAG	R	R	R	R	R	R	R						R
	Sefton	Actual	57.1%	42.3%	72.2%	45.5%	25.0%	68.2%	61.5%						53.1%
		Target	75%	75%	75%	75%	75%	75%	75%	75%	75%	75%	75%	75%	75%
Percentage of Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) assessments started in 12 weeks - Alder Hey		RAG	G												G
•	Sefton	Actual	96%	98%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%						99.1%
		Target	90%	90%	90%	90%	90%	90%	90%	90%	90%	90%	90%	90%	90%
Percentage of Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) assessments completed within 30 Weeks - Alder Hey		RAG	R	R	R	R	R	R	R						R
,	Sefton	Actual	85%	83%	77%	72%	66%	63%	63%						72.7%
		Target	90%	90%	90%	90%	90%	90%	90%	90%	90%	90%	90%	90%	90%
Percentage of Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) assessments started within 12 Weeks - Alder Hey		RAG	G	G	G	G	G	G	G						G
(,	Sefton	Actual	99%	98%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%						99.4%
		Target	90%	90%	90%	90%	90%	90%	90%	90%	90%	90%	90%	90%	90%
Percentage of Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) assessments completed within 30 Weeks - Alder		RAG	G	G	G	G	R	R	R						G
Hey	Sefton	Actual	98%	93%	91%	90%	88%	85%	85%						90%
		Target	90%	90%	90%	90%	90%	90%	90%	90%	90%	90%	90%	90%	90%
Average waiting times for Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) service in weeks (ages 16 - 25 years) - Mersey Care		RAG													
(g , , ,	Sefton	Actual	8.1	12.2	5.3	6.4	9.1	8.3	8.1						
		Target													
Average waiting times for Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) service in weeks (ages 16 - 25 years) -		RAG													
Mersey Care	Sefton	Actual	90.5	77.0	78.4	63.8	62.9	65.0	63.7						
		Target													

Executive Summary

This report provides summary information on the activity and quality performance of Southport & Formby Clinical Commissioning Group at month 7 of 2021/22 (note: time periods of data are different for each source).

Constitutional Performance for October & Q2 2021/22	CCG	S&O
Diagnostics (National Target <1%)	30.31%	33.58%
Referral to Treatment (RTT) (92% Target)	75.59%	80.87%
No of incomplete pathways waiting over 52 weeks	350	134
Cancelled Operations (Zero Tolerance)	-	4
Cancer 62 Day Standard (Nat Target 85%)	76.47%	66.33%
A&E 4 Hour All Types (National Target 95%)	76.25%	77.42%
A&E 12 Hour Breaches (Zero Tolerance)	-	57
Ambulance Handovers 30-60 mins (Zero Tolerance)	-	126
Ambulance Handovers 60+ mins (Zero Tolerance)	-	37
Stroke (Target 80%) (September data - reported a month in arrears)	-	48.1%
TIA Assess & Treat 24 Hrs (Target 60%) (September data - reported a month in arrears)	-	27.3%
Mixed Sex Accommodation (Zero Tolerance)	Not Available	2
CPA 7 Day Follow Up (95% Target) 2021/22 - Q2	93.30%	-
EIP 2 Weeks (60% Target) 2021/22 - Q2	85.70%	-
IAPT Access (1.59% target monthly - 19% YTD)	0.80%	-
IAPT Recovery (Target 50%)	50%	-
IAPT 6 Weeks (75% Target)	79%	
IAPT 18 Weeks (95% Target)	100%	-

To Note:

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the need to release capacity across the NHS to support the response the decision was made to pause the collection and publication of several official statistics, these include Mixed Sex Accommodation (MSA), Delayed Transfers of Care (DToC), cancelled operations, occupied bed days, wheelchair return (QWC1), Better Care Fund (BCF) and NHS England monthly activity monitoring. These measures will be updated as soon as the data becomes available and will incorporated back into the report.

Data quality issues due to the impact of COVID-19 remain within the data flows for referrals and contract monitoring.

COVID Vaccination Update

The Southport & Formby COVID-19 vaccination has now successfully fully vaccinated the majority of patients in cohorts 1-9 and continues to offer booster vaccinations to eligible patients in these cohorts. The vaccination programme continues to offer vaccinations to eligible patients in cohorts 1-12 through community pharmacies, hospitals and national vaccination sites. Patients between the ages of 16-17 and 12-15 are now eligible. At the end of October-21 there have been 91,748 (or 81.4%) first dose vaccinations and 86,610 (76.9%) second dose vaccinations. Phase 3 Booster vaccinations for vulnerable and at-risk populations continues and there have been 20,112 (17.8%) booster vaccinations given at the end of October-21.

Planned Care

Local providers have continued to undertake urgent elective treatments during the COVID-19 pandemic period, and this has been clinically prioritised. Work is underway locally in the Southport & Ormskirk system to increase the available capacity to support urgent elective activity. This will include use of nationally agreed independent sector contracts following clinical assessment in terms of triage and prioritisation.

In the context of responding to the ongoing challenges presented by COVID-19, while also restoring services, meeting new care demands and tackling health inequalities, Elective Recovery Funds (ERF) have been made available to systems that achieve activity levels above set thresholds. In Cheshire & Mersey Hospital Cell (established to co-ordinate acute hospital planning resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic the delivery of activity both at Trust and system is being assessed against agreed trajectories for H2 (Half year 2).

Southport and Ormskirk Trust have continued to deliver routine elective activity throughout the pandemic, with a focus on delivering greater theatre capacity utilising on site theatres and that of the independent sector. Cheshire and Merseyside Hospital Cell has set out principles for elective recovery with a proposed recovery approach. The approach is focused on development of system level waiting list management both in diagnostic and surgical waits to maximise the capacity available and to standardise waiting times where possible and with priority given to clinically urgent patients and long waiters (52 week plus). Outpatient validation is another expected area of focus to support Elective recovery over the coming months. Elective recovery will continue to be supported by the independent sector facilitated by the procurement of service via the Increasing Capacity Framework (ICF).

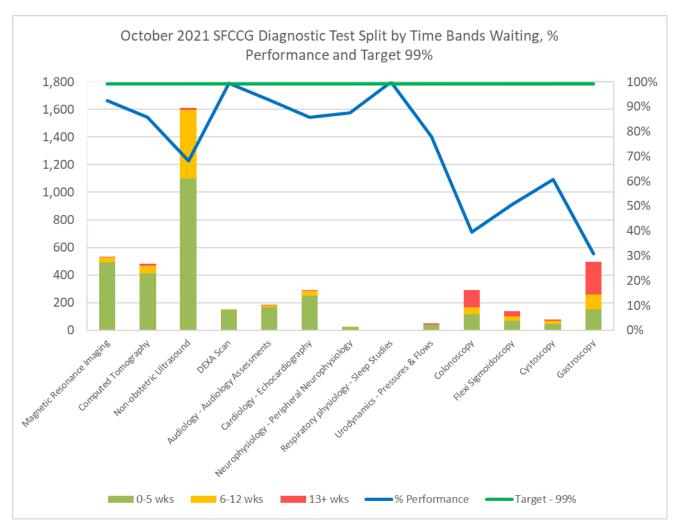
Secondary care referrals were below historic levels across all referral sources for the majority of 2020/21. With a focus on elective restoration, referrals in 2021/22 are significantly higher than in the equivalent period of the previous year. At the lead provider, trends show that total secondary care referrals in October-21 have decreased slightly when compared to the previous month for Southport Hospital but remain some of the highest totals reported since the COVID-19 pandemic began. GP referrals for the CCG have seen significant increases in 2021/22 and have increased in month but with year-to-date referrals -30% below 2019/20 (pre-pandemic) levels. In terms of referral priority, all priority types have seen an increase at month 7 of 2021/22 when comparing to the equivalent period in the previous year. The largest variance has occurred within routine referrals. However, analysis suggests a recovery of two week wait referrals with the 668 reported in September-21 representing the highest monthly total reported since July-20 (which immediately followed the initial COVID-19 national lockdown period).

Reporting has been suspended on the e-Referral Service (e-RS) metric as e-RS capacity has been removed to ensure equity of provision. The current e-RS pathway is for all patients to be referred via the Appointment Slot Issue (ASI) functionality or via a Referral Assessment Service (RAS) for Trusts to manage the waiting lists fairly and according to clinical need. Therefore, reporting of e-RS utilisation will show a low conversion rate to bookings, as patients will be booked outside of e-RS. As system waiting lists reduce, there will need to be a transition plan to open capacity for direct booking via e-RS. However, until that point, e-RS reporting will be suspended.

The CCG failed the less than 1% target for Diagnostics in October, recording 30.31%, a small improvement performance from last month when 31.54% was reported. Along with failing the national target, the CCG is measuring above the national level of 25%. Southport and Ormskirk reported 33.58%, which is a small improvement compared to last month when 35.74% was reported. The decline in performance is across all modalities. This has been impacted by increased demand and changes to the urgency of requests. Capacity and demand reviews are ongoing and the Trust has successfully recruited to an MRI Specialist Radiographer post. The Trust is also currently utilising imaging network capacity at St Helens & Knowsley, a weekly session at The Walton Centre for CT and additional capacity at Renacres for non-obstetric ultrasound. Staff are continuing to carry out additional sessions of an evening and weekend where possible. A detailed piece of work will be completed with the Directorate to analyse and develop an improvement plan. The constitutional

standard performance will continue to be challenging for the remainder of the year based on infection control, workforce constraints and the continued effect of COVID. Recovery trajectories are in place.

Figure 1 – October CCG Diagnostics Chart and Table

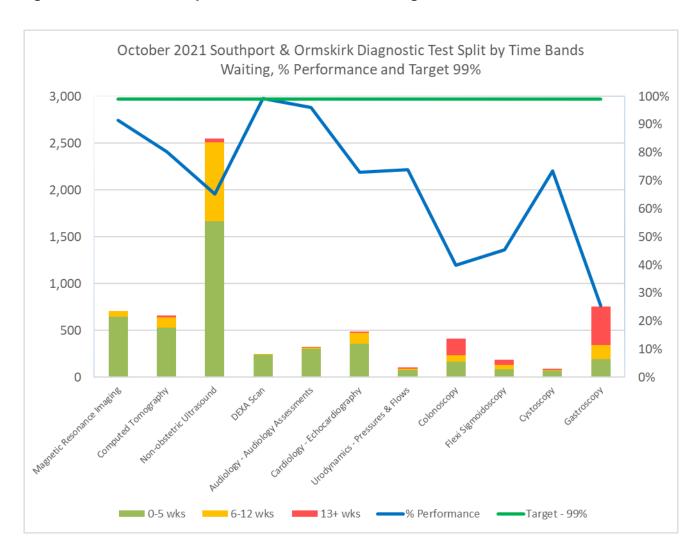


Diagnostic	0-5 wks	6-12 wks	13+ wks	% Performance	Target - 99%
Magnetic Resonance Imaging	490	38	2	92.45%	99%
Computed Tomography	412	58	11	85.65%	99%
Non-obstetric Ultrasound	1,098	499	15	68.11%	99%
DEXA Scan	150	1	0	99.34%	99%
Audiology - Audiology Assessments	167	12	1	92.78%	99%
Cardiology - Echocardiography	250	39	3	85.62%	99%
Neurophysiology - Peripheral Neurophysiology	21	3	0	87.50%	99%
Respiratory physiology - Sleep Studies	2	0	0	100.00%	99%
Urodynamics - Pressures & Flows	39	4	7	78.00%	99%
Colonoscopy	115	51	125	39.52%	99%
Flexi Sigmoidoscopy	70	30	38	50.72%	99%
Cystoscopy	48	22	9	60.76%	99%
Gastroscopy	153	107	236	30.85%	99%
Total	3,015	864	447	69.69%	99%

Overall, the CCG is reporting 69.69%, below target of greater than 99% seen within 6 weeks. Significant levels waiting over 13 weeks in Colonoscopy and Gastroscopy with a number of other tests also showing proportionally high levels.

National levels overall at 74.97% and proportion waiting over 13 weeks nationally at 10.14%. The CCG performing worse on both counts.

Figure 2 – October Southport & Ormskirk NHS Trust Diagnostics Chart and Table



Diagnostic	0-5 wks	6-12 wks	13+ wks	% Performance	Target - 99%
Magnetic Resonance Imaging	645	61	0	91.36%	99%
Computed Tomography	532	106	25	80.24%	99%
Non-obstetric Ultrasound	1,663	844	42	65.24%	99%
DEXA Scan	245	2	0	99.19%	99%
Audiology - Audiology Assessments	306	12	1	95.92%	99%
Cardiology - Echocardiography	356	120	12	72.95%	99%
Urodynamics - Pressures & Flows	79	15	13	73.83%	99%
Colonoscopy	165	68	180	39.95%	99%
Flexi Sigmoidoscopy	85	50	52	45.45%	99%
Cystoscopy	69	11	14	73.40%	99%
Gastroscopy	193	154	411	25.46%	99%
Total	4,338	1,443	750	66.42%	99%

SFCCG RTT Performance and Activity Trend (Incomplete Pathways) 10000 85.009 **RTT Incomplete Pathways** 80.009 Performance (%) 4000 60.009 55.00% Apr May Jun Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec Jan Feb Mar 2019/20 2020/21 2021/22

Figure 3 – CCG RTT Performance and Activity (Incomplete Pathways)

Incomplete RTT (Waiting List) where 92% performance achieved

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For patients on an incomplete non-emergency pathway waiting no more than 18 weeks, the CCG's performance in October was 75.59%, a 2% decline on last month's performance (77.38%). The CCG is also reporting well above the national level of 65.64%. Southport & Ormskirk Hospital reported 80.87%, lower than last month's performance when 82.07% was recorded. As with diagnostics, continued collaborative working with North West Outpatient Transformation Programme and Health Care Partnership to establish recovery and innovation for longer term sustainability is on-going.

Incomplete Waiting List DRAFT (2020/21 Actuals)

RTT Performance

There were a total of 917 Southport & Formby CCG patients waiting over 36+ weeks, the majority at Southport & Ormskirk Hospitals. Of the total long waiters, 350 patients were waiting over 52 weeks, a decrease on last month when 354 breaches were reported. Included in the long waiters there are 6 patients waiting over 104 weeks. The CCG meet on a bi-weekly basis with the provider to receive an update on the 104-day breaches.

Of the 350 breaches for the CCG, there were 83 at Southport & Ormskirk, 123 at LUHFT and 144 at 13 other Trusts. The 350 52+ week CCG breaches represent 2.64% of the total waiting list, which is well below the national level of 5.23%.

Southport & Ormskirk had a total of 134, 52-week breaches in October, similar to last month when 135 were reported. The overall good performance in the low numbers of 52-week waiters is due to the continuation of services during the COVID surges at the Trust.

Overall, the number of patients waiting on an incomplete pathway for the CCG increased to 13,237 in October (September reported 12,912).

Figure 4 – RTT Incomplete Pathways, 52 weeks waiters v Plan

Southport & Formby CCG													
Total Incomplete Pathways	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Pla
Plan (last year's actuals)*	7,072	6,204	5,983	6,101	7,135	7,794	7,723	7,646	7,782	9,254	8,601	9,036	
2021/22	10,203	11,474	12,290	12,576	13,069	12,912	13,237						
Difference	3,131	5,270	6,307	6,475	5,934	5,118	5,514						
52 week waiters - Plan (last year's actuals)*	6	10	17	36	62	85	71	99	112	226	401	519	
52 week waiters - Actual	412	355	335	320	342	354	350						
Difference	406	2/15	210	20/	290	260	270						1

S&O													
Total Incomplete Pathways	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Plan v Latest
Plan (last year's actuals)	7,603	6,485	6,140	6,463	6,903	7,796	8,105	6,558	7,800	8,078	8,615	9,896	8,105
2021/22	10,351	11,104	11,636	11,810	12,591	12,922	12,679						12,679
Difference	2,748	4,619	5,496	5,347	5,688	5,126	4,574						4,574

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*NB. Plans were not required for 2021/22 Operational Planning. Therefore, previous year being used for comparative purposes.

The Trust has reported 4 cancelled operations in October, the same as last month. The Trust indicated the cancelled operations were for 1 ICU/DHU bed unavailable, 1 equipment failure, 1 where the list over ran and 1 ward bed being unavailable. For all patients who have had their operation cancelled, on or after the day of admission for non-clinical reasons are to be offered a binding date within 28 days, or treatment to be funded at the time and hospital of patient's choice.

The CCG and Trust are achieving 2 of the 9 cancer measures year to date and 3 in October. The Trust are achieving 3 measures year to date and 2 in October.

The CCG continue to fail the 2-week cancer measure in month and year to date. Southport and Ormskirk Hospital also continues to fail the 2-week standard reporting 78.54%. The main reason for the breaches for both measure is inadequate outpatient capacity associated with sustained growth in 2-week referrals of 120% of pre-pandemic levels. The Trust will present a Cancer Improvement Plan at the December CCQRM meeting. The provider expects to see a gradual increase in performance for the 2-week standard reliant on delivery of planned diagnostics improvements across endoscopy, radiology and pathology. It is interesting to note that conversion rates from 14 day to 62-day pathways have increased slightly over the pandemic period which provides some assurance that 2-week pathways are being appropriately used.

For 2-week wait breast services, performance declined significantly again to 47.62% in October which is under the 93% target for the CCG. Liverpool University Hospitals Foundation Trust (LUHFT), which is the main provider for breast services, is reporting just 31.47%% under target in October, with 172 breaches out of a total of 251 patients seen. Demand increased significantly in month. This is a national position estimated at 15 -20% additional referrals and it is considered that this is likely due to a combination of Breast Awareness Month and the death of a celebrity from breast cancer. The provider is also experiencing challenges with capacity due to gaps in radiology workforce. Pathway changes are being worked through to prioritise radiology capacity for those with most cancer risk, recognising that a significant number of breast cancers are also identified through the breast symptomatic (cancer not initially suspected) pathway. The median wait in the reporting period was 15 days.

For Cancer 62 Day standard the CCG is measuring above the national level of 67.79% recording 76.47% in October and failing the 85% operational target. Southport and Ormskirk Hospital will present a speciality level Cancer Improvement Plan at the December Clinical Contract Quality Review Meeting (CCQRM). Most tumour groups are challenged. Delays in the 14-day pathway impact on achievement of 62 days for those patients who have a positive cancer diagnosis.

For patients waiting over 104 days, the CCG reported 2 patients in October. The first breach was a lower gastro patient whose delay was due to complex diagnostic pathway. The patient waited 133 days and the first seen and first treatment Trust was Southport & Ormskirk NHS Trust. The second breach was a haematological patient who had a delay due to health care provider-initiated delay and waited 139 days - also first seen and first treatment Trust being Southport & Ormskirk NHS Trust. The

CCG receives Root Cause Analyses (RCAs) and harm reviews for long waiting patients which are discussed at the Performance, Quality & Incident Review Panel (PQIRP) meeting.

The 2021/22 Priorities and Operational Planning Guidance has a strong focus on full operational restoration of cancer services. Systems will be expected to meet the new Faster Diagnosis Standard (FDS) from Q3, to be introduced initially at a level of 75%. In October and year to date, the CCG performed above the proposed target for the 28-Day FDS breast symptom indicator. However, 2 week wait referral and the two week and screening referral indicators performed below target. 28 Day FDS overall is reporting 67.43% for October and 70.89% year to date, just under the proposed 75% target. It is recognised that the current focus on the 62-day backlog will close pathways for long waiting patients but that such long pathways will not by definition meet the 28 day standard. There is therefore likely to be a lag in achieving the operational standard for 28 days.

Performance against recovery trajectories demonstrates that in October the CCG is exceeding plan for numbers of first outpatients seen following an urgent referral and are slightly under plan (by 6) for patients receiving a first cancer treatment within 31 days of a decision to treat.

For Southport & Ormskirk Friends and Family Inpatient test response rate is above the England average of 18.4% in September 2021 at 29.6% (latest data). The percentage of patients who would recommend the service has remained at 93%, which is below the England average of 94% and the percentage who would not recommend has increased to 6% but still above the England average of 3%. The COVID-19 pandemic resulted in substantially fewer patients and visitors attending the Trust. The CCG Quality Team continue to monitor trends and request assurances from providers when exceptions are noted. The Trust are due to present their bi-annual Patient Experience update to the Patient Experience Group (EPEG) in the new year and a wider EPEG Provider focussed Patient Experience workshop is planned for January 2022.

For planned care finance and activity, 2020/21 saw significant reductions in contracted performance levels across the majority of providers for Southport & Formby CCG. This was a direct consequence of the COVID-19 pandemic and subsequent response to postpone all non-urgent elective operations so that the maximum possible inpatient and critical care capacity would be available to support the system. For 2021/22 there is a focus on restoration of elective services as set out in the NHS Operational Planning Guidance. This has resulted in a considerable increase in planned care activity of 41% when compared to the equivalent period in the previous year but is -3% below that seen during 2019/20 (pre-pandemic). Total planned care activity (incorporating day case, elective and outpatient attendances) during October-21 saw a decrease to the previous month and represents 88% of that reported in October-19.

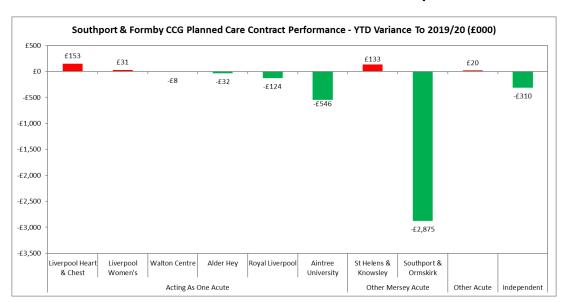


Figure 5 – Planned Care All Providers – Contract Performance Compared to 2019/20

Figure 6 - Planned Care Activity Trends

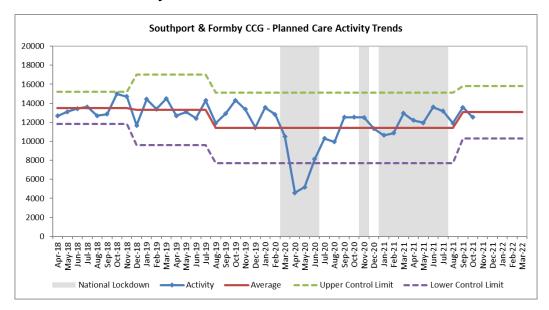


Figure 7 – Elective Inpatient Variance against Plan (Previous Year)

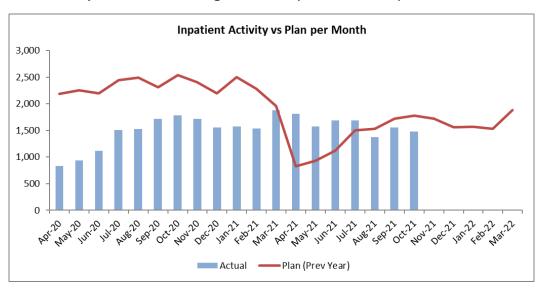
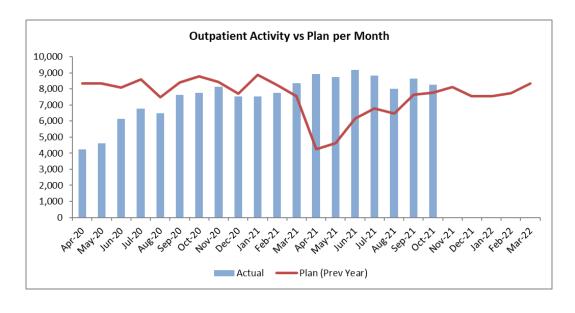


Figure 8 – Outpatient (First and Follow Up) Variance against Plan (Previous Year)



Unplanned Care

In relation to A&E 4-hour waits for all types, the CCG and Southport & Ormskirk have failed the 95% target in October, reporting 76.25% and 77.42% respectively which is similar to what was reported last month. The CCG and Trust are above the nationally reported level of 73.9%. The main issue remains increased attendances with the public reporting difficulties in accessing alternatives to ED. The system are working to implement care navigators utilising NHS digital streaming tool. The care navigators are due to go live on the 13^{th of} December and outcomes will be monitored via the system winter dashboard. This will compliment other commissioned hospital avoidance services within the borough such as the SERV car which has a 77% deflection rate. Southport and Formby see and treat figures are 34.7%. The CCG plan to improve this further with the expansion of the 2-hour Urgent Care Response (UCR) service and 48 hour reablement offer. Work has commenced as part of the Ageing Well programme and the improved 2-hour UCR service will be ready to be launched by April-22.

The Trust also reported 57, 12-hour breaches in October, an increase from last month when 49 were reported. The avoidance of 12-hour breaches are a priority for the Southport and Ormskirk system and continue to be reviewed in accordance with the recently agreed processes with the CCG and NHSE/I. The Trust continue to submit 48-hour reviews within the agreed timescales. No harms have been identified for the latest 12-hour breaches, resulting in no serious incidents being reported. However, the CCG have noted concerns with the number of breaches being reported month on month, with this number expected to increase heading towards the winter season. The CCGs Urgent Care lead and Performance Manager for Quality and Risk will be meeting with the provider to gain an understanding of the key concerns/issues that need to be addressed and what assurances are being put in place to manage this. The majority of the breaches were due to lack of acute bed availability and 9 of the breaches were for those awaiting admission to a mental health bed. The majority of breaches occur on a Monday or Tuesday due to admissions and reduced discharges over the weekend plus a surge of attendance following the weekend.

Actions to reduce 12-hour breaches:

- Internal working group commenced to relaunch safer start and red to green principles. Test
 proof of concept on general medicine older people's wards, championed by general medical
 consultant. Examine use of technology and improved communication to facilitate discharge
 sooner. Opportunity to refresh board round SOP and red to green documentation using IT.
- 2. Review consultant cover and board rounds at the weekend to ensure pathway 0 discharges are maximised.
- 3. Review Ready for Discharge daily meetings to ensure weekend discharges are planned for care homes to ensure admission can happen on the weekend.
- 4. Commence Home First bridging team as part of winter plan as proof of concept and examine data for patients require lower-level packages of care.
- 5. Establishment of a Frailty Assessment Hub from January.
- 6. In the process of establishing a Local system Discharge steering Group which will report into the Capacity and Flow Group. The group will have focussed attention on reducing LOS from ready for discharge per pathway. Identify system opportunities to work differently and maximise resources. Identify blocks in the system which prevent patient's discharge. Review of the Trusted Assessor documentation and ensure completed and sent in timely manner.

The original target to meet all of the ARP (Ambulance Response Programme) standards by Q1 2020/21 has not been met and was severely adversely impacted upon by COVID-19, which began to hit service delivery in Q4 2019/20 and has continued. The latest available data is for October 2021, there was an average response time of 10 minutes,49 seconds not achieving the target of 7 minutes for Category 1 incidents. Following this, Category 2 incidents had an average response time of 1 hour, 14 minutes, 8 seconds against a target of 18 minutes. Category 3 90th percentile has also shown a decline the target of less than or equal to 120 minutes reporting just over 4 hours the biggest decline being for Cat 4 90th percentile recording 17 hours 50 minutes but huge improvement from July of around 6 and a half hours. See above action plan. The above plan directly relates to the over crowding of ED and ability to clear crews in a timely manner. This work has commenced as part of the Trust's Internal Urgent Care Improvement Group. There is a Discharge Subgroup which has

commenced and tasked to improve discharges before lunch and utilise the patient transport services in a more efficient way

NWAS have also developed their North West Divert and Deflection policy to escalate and avoid delays to ensure swift resolution of critical delays.

For ambulance handovers, Southport & Ormskirk reported an increase in ambulance handover times in October for handovers of 30 and 60 minutes from 104 to 126, along with those above 60 minutes increasing from 28 to 37. So, a decline in performance. This is a Cheshire & Merseyside trend with Southport performance being better than most other Trusts. Work continues in collaboration with NWAS to improve processes to support achievement of the handover targets.

The Trust have reported 2 mixed accommodation breaches locally to the CCG in October. The Trust report that the delays relate to transferring patients from Critical Care these were escalated at the daily bed meetings.

The stroke indicator is currently 1 month in arrears. Southport & Ormskirk reported 48.1% of patients who had a stroke spending at least 90% of their time on a stroke unit in September, a decline on the previous month when 65.5% was recorded. This is below the 80% target. For patients who are admitted straight to the stroke ward, compliance continues to be impacted by the length of time the patient is in ED, coupled with an average length of stay (LOS) of less than 2 days. TIA was reported at 27.3% against the 60% target with 9 out of a total of 33 patients treated within 24 hours, a small decline in performance from last month when 28.9% was reported. A Stroke Improvement Group has been established with membership from clinical and operational teams; there are a number of underpinning workstreams including a dedicated team to review patient flow processes. In terms of CCG actions, the extensive work of the Merseyside Stroke Board continues with recent presentations to local Oversight and Scrutiny Committees (OSCs). Also achieving a successful outcome of the Stage 2 NHSE assurance process. The public consultation period has now commenced led by LCCG

The CCG reported 1 new cases of MRSA in October, this was a community onset case and now have a total of 3 for year- to-date against a zero-tolerance plan so have failed for 2021/22. All incidents are reviewed as part of the Infection Prevention Control (IPC) meeting monthly, which the CCG attend. The Trust are still report just 1 case in August so are also failing the target for 2021/22.

For c. difficile, the CCG reported 6 new cases in October (38 year to date) against a year-to-date plan of 16. The CCG have failed the new objectives/plans for C. Difficile for 2021/22, year-end target was 30 cases. Southport & Ormskirk Trust is also failing with 5 new cases (36 year to date), against a year-to-date target of 17. Infection control panels meet bi-monthly and are chaired by the Director of Infection Prevention Control will be critical in 2021/22 and will provide further assurance. Twice weekly meeting are held to monitor the action plan which has been developed and progressed.

NHS Improvement and NHS England (NHSE/I) originally set CCG targets for reductions in E. coli in 2018/19, the CCG have the new objectives/plans for E. coli for 2021/22 along with new Trust objectives to monitor. In October there were 16 cases (65 year to date) against a year-to-date target of 87 and achieving in month, year-end target 152 cases. Southport & Ormskirk reported 1 new case in October (29 year to date) against their year-to-date plan of 41 and are also achieving. The NHSE Gram Negative Bloodstream Infections (GNBSI) Programme Board Meetings has now merged with the Antimicrobial resistance (AMR) Group to provide a more joined up approach and meet every 6 weeks. Post Infection Reviews (PIR) are undertaken on all cases of Hospital Onset Hospital Acquired (HOHA) cases of E. Coli and themes include lack of catheter insertion, monitoring and timely diagnostic testing. The Trust have rolled out plans which include the usage of the catheter passport, monitoring of catheter care and its appropriateness of use.

Southport & Ormskirk Trust Friends and Family A&E test response rate is above the England average of 9.8% in September 2021 reporting 22.7% (latest data reported). The percentage of patients who would recommend the service remained at 84% and remains above the England average of 75%. The percentage who would not recommend increased to 13%, but below the England average of 17%. The CCG Quality Team continue to monitor trends and request assurances from providers when exceptions are noted. The Trust are due to present their bi-annual Patient Experience update to

EPEG in November 2021 and a wider EPEG Provider focussed Patient Experience workshop is planned for January 2022.

Southport & Ormskirk's Hospital Standardised Mortality Ratio (HSMR) was reported at 73.2 by the Trust in October, remaining under the 100 threshold. The ratio is the number of observed deaths divided by predicted deaths. HSMR looks at diagnoses which most commonly result in death.

For unplanned care finance and activity, 2020/21 saw significant reductions in contracted performance levels across the majority of providers for Southport & Formby CCG. This is a direct consequence of the COVID-19 pandemic and subsequent national response whereby the public guidance was to 'stay at home'. Recent trends from March-21 have shown considerable increases in total unplanned care activity, which incorporates A&E attendances and non-elective admissions. Year to date levels at month 7 of 2021/22 represents an increase of 33% when comparing to the equivalent period in the previous year and is comparable to 2019/20 (pre-pandemic). Focussing specifically on A&E type 1 attendances, activity during October-21 was also 8% above that in October-19 with CCGs expected to plan for 100% of 2019/20 activity levels being achieved during 2021/22.

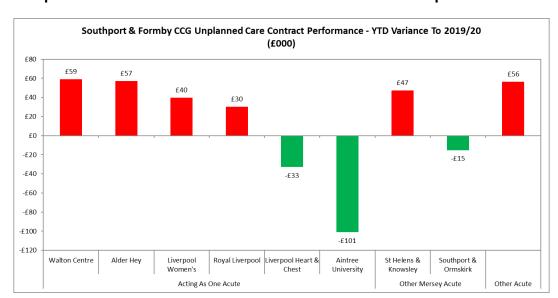


Figure 9 – Unplanned Care All Providers – Contract Performance Compared to 2019/20



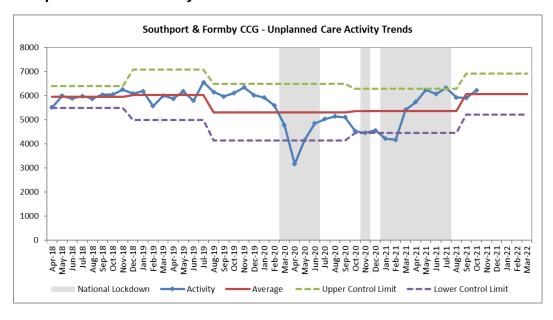


Figure 11 - A&E Type 1 against Plan (Previous Year)

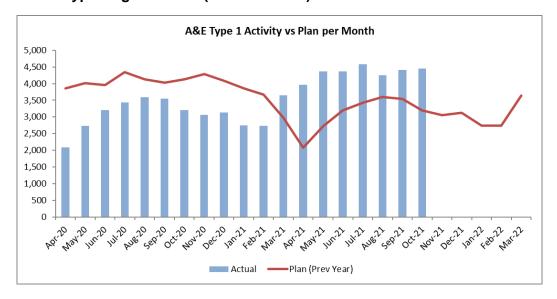
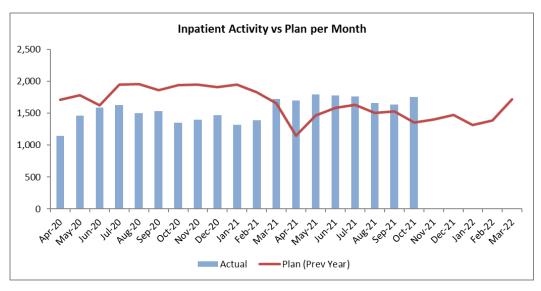


Figure 12 – Non-elective Inpatient Variance against Plan



Mental Health

The Eating Disorder service has reported 35.9% of patients commencing treatment within 18 weeks of referral in October, compared to a 95% target. Only 14 patients out of 39 commenced treatment within 18 weeks. This shows a small improvement from last month when 32.5% was reported. Demand for the services continues to increase and to exceed capacity. The Trust and CCG recognise that considerable investment is required for the Eating Disorder (ED) service to be compliant. It is agreed that ED developments need to be phased in line with wider mental health investment over the period 2021/22 – 2023/24. Both CCGs have agreed £112k of investment in 2021/22. The service has recruited the following posts:

- 3.0 WTE band 4 Assistant psychologists have been recruited (on 6-month, fix-term contract to support increasing psychology provision within the service. Awaiting candidates to complete pre-employment checks.
- Band 7 Nurse therapist has been employed to work 0.2 WTE (delivering Eye Movement Desensitisation and Reprocessing (EMDR).
- Band 7 dietician post has been recruited to. Awaiting candidate to complete pre-employment checks.

 Cognitive Behavioural Therapy posts are currently being advertised. Closing date 21st Nov 2021.

For Improving Access to Psychological Therapies (IAPT), Mental Health Matters reported 0.80% in October and has therefore failed to achieve the 1.59% target. The Cheshire & Merseyside system level work has identified 22 additional trainee post (15 x Psychological Wellbeing Practitioners (PWPs) and 7 x High Intensity Therapists (HITs) for the Sefton service, of whom 4 PWPs commenced in October, with 7 HITs to commence training in January 2022 with a the remaining 11 PWPs to commence in March 2022.

The percentage of people who moved to recovery was 50% in October, which hits the 50% target an improvement from 40% reported last month. Long internal waits within the IAPT service are a major contributing factor to recovery rates. The provider has recruited 2/5 agency HITs from internal slippage to address the long waiters. The established resource is working to prevent additional internal waiters "tip" over the 18-week threshold.

Southport & Formby CCG is recording a dementia diagnosis rate in October of 65%, which is under the national dementia diagnosis ambition of 66.7%, lower to last month's performance of 66%. The CCG approved a scheme to go into 2021/22 Local Quality Contract with primary care across Sefton to improve performance going forward. In line with a Cheshire & Merseyside system approach to improving Memory Assessment waits Mersey Care NHS Foundation Trust have established memory weekend clinics with intention of continuing the clinics until the end of March 2022 along with a bank band 7 Nurse Practitioner who is working an additional 2 days per week.

The individuals with SEND have had their diagnostic assessment undertaken and the residual waiting list funding is targeting the wider waiting list. In July 2021 both CCGs agreed to fund £100k investment into the service and this will increase assessment capacity. The Trust have trained 2 staff across to undertake DISCO and AD-I-R / ADOS diagnostic assessment training. These individuals commenced assessment duties in October 2021 and will add 90 assessments in addition to the 50 already commissioned. The service is also intending to remodel and the expectation is that this will generate additional assessment capacity. In addition, the service is recruiting an assistant psychologist to enhance existing post diagnostic support.

The Trust has developed a waiting list initiative aimed at reducing Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) wait times which were reported as being 63.7 weeks in October 2021. The Trust has developed a waiting list initiative aimed at reducing ADHD wait times which were reported as being 63.7 weeks in October 2021. All people on the waiting list have been contacted and have opted to remain on the list. The Trust has recruited a nurse prescriber internally who will undertake reviews allowing the medical staff to undertake 12-14 new assessments per week. In addition, the Trust plans to outsource a minimum of 100 assessments and is engaging with an external provider in this regard.

Adult Community Health Services (Mersey Care NHS Foundation Trust)

Focus within the Trust remains on COVID-19 recovery/resilience planning and understanding service specific issues e.g., staffing, resources, waiting times. Assurance will be sought in regard to changes instigated in response to COVID-19 and an understanding of services that are not operating at pre-COVID levels. A single Clinical Quality Performance Group (CQPG) across the Mersey Care footprint of commissioned services including South Sefton, Southport and Formby and Liverpool CCGs has been introduced. The joint Sefton and Liverpool Information Sub-Group is supporting the ongoing development and performance monitoring with the Trust. The Trust in collaboration with CCG leads will be reviewing service specifications throughout 2021/22 following the mobilisation of the contract to Mersey Care NHS Foundation Trust.

Month 7 assurance supplied by the Trust indicates that across a number of community services 13 patients are waiting over 18 weeks (19-24 weeks) and 23 patients are waiting 21 weeks plus. The CCG continues to monitor waiting times and has requested that the Trust provide exception narrative for those patients waiting above 18 weeks.

Children's Services

In its ongoing response to the impact of the pandemic, Alder Hey continues to focus on sustaining and improving pre-COVID levels of activity for community therapy services and Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS).

In respect of community therapy services provision, this has enabled services to focus on reducing the numbers of children and young people who have been waiting the longest whilst managing increases in referrals. As previously reported, the SALT service has experienced a sustained increase in referrals following lockdown and the reopening of schools. Whilst referrals have reduced over the summer holiday period the number increased again when schools opened. The backlog of assessments and increased acuity and urgency of cases has meant that performance has continued to be challenged. October 18 weeks is at 32.8% for Southport & Formby. The position is being closely managed by the service and all referrals continue to be clinically triaged at the point of receipt and prioritised according to need. From mid-September, the service will be fully staffed and it is expected that improved performance will continue to be seen over subsequent months – subject to future referral rates and any potential COVID impacts.

Physiotherapy, Dietetics and Continence continue to perform at 100% regarding the 18 weeks KPI. Occupational Therapy continues to exceed the 92% for 18 weeks with 97.9% in October.

The Alder Hey CAMHS team continues to address the ongoing impact of the pandemic on the increase in demand for the service and the increasing number of high risk and complex cases, a position which is reflected regionally and nationally. Plans for investing the full amount of additional funding flowing via Service Review Funding (SRF), Service Development Funding (SDF) and Mental Health Investment Standard (MHIS) for children and young people's mental health have been agreed with the provider Alder Hey Children's Hospital (AHCH). Process of recruitment has begun but will be some more time yet until extra capacity is realised within the service offer – notwithstanding likely internal movement as posts are filled. A detailed trajectory will be provided when staff are appointed to demonstrate when capacity and waiting times are expected to improve.

Due to these ongoing issues, waiting times for assessment and treatment continue to be challenged. Referrals continue to increase and the Trust focuses on those children and young people who have been waiting the longest for assessment and treatment. However, there has been some improvement in performance notably against 6 weeks KPI, which has improved from 33.3% in September to 64.6% in October. The 18-week KPI has dropped to 75.7%.

Sefton has also been successful in its joint bid with Liverpool CCG to be a pilot site for the mental health 4 week wait initiative which will also positively impact waiting times and identifying opportunities for further improvement. In the meantime, the CAMHS waiting time position continues to be closely monitored by the CCGs and the Trust, and the local CAMHS partnership and third sector providers continue to offer additional support and capacity.

As with CAMHS, the impact of COVID has led to an increase in demand for the Eating Disorders Young People's Service (EDYS) and a number of new and existing patients continue to present to the service at physical and mental health risk, a position that is reflected nationally. Consequently, during COVID-19 the service has seen the highest number of paediatric admissions for young people with an eating disorder since the service commenced.

Referral rates for Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD)/Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) services continue to increase at a rate significantly higher than what is currently commissioned. This is impacting on capacity within the diagnostic pathway and leading to delays in completion of assessment pathways within the agreed timescales. Despite this the service is still currently complying with the 12-week triage NICE requirement. ADHD waiting times are increasing and have fallen below target for the third month for completed assessments within 30 weeks reporting 85% against the 90% target. Also due to the increasing number of referrals and the pressure on service capacity, the ASD 30 week to completion of assessments was not achieved in October and remained at 63%. The Trust has a number of mitigating actions in place to manage this and is undertaking a deep dive of the drivers for the increase. The CCGs will review the outcomes from the deep dive

alongside the Trust's paper which details the current position, mitigations and options for consideration.

CQC Inspections

Preciously halted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Practices in Southport & Formby CCG GP practices are visited by the Care Quality Commission (CQC) and details of any inspection results are published on their website. The inspections have resumed, but no new inspection happened in October.

NHS Oversight Frame (NHS OF)

The NHS Oversight Framework (NHS OF) has now been superseded by the NHS System Oversight Framework (NHS SOF). The NHS SOF for 2021/22 provides clarity to Integrated Care Systems (ICSs), Trusts and Commissioners on how NHS England and NHS Improvement will monitor performance; sets expectations on working together to maintain and improve the quality of care; and describes how identified support needs to improve standards and outcomes will be co-ordinated and delivered. A separate report has been done for Governing Body. This report presents an overview of the 2021/22 System Oversight Framework, and a summary of the latest performance including exception commentary regarding indicators for which the CCG's performance is consistently declining. The report describes reasons for underperformance, actions being taken by managerial leads to improve performance, and expected date of improvement.