Edinburgh Health and Social Care Partnership Plan

Easy Read

[Image: People smiling and engaged in conversation]
About this plan

From April 2016 there will be a change to the way health and social care services are delivered. There is a new organisation called the Edinburgh Health and Social Care Partnership. They will tell NHS Lothian and the City of Edinburgh Council how they want services run.

This change is called the ‘integration of health and social care’.

This is happening because there are more people who need services but there is less money to pay for them. Joining up the services and the money like this will give us the chance to make services better for people and communities.

We want to make sure that people are supported to live as independently as possible. We want to enable people to look after themselves. We want to make sure that everyone can get the right care and support when they need it.

We need to make a plan before this can happen. We want our plan to be as good as we can make it. And we need your help to do this. We will be asking people questions about the plan and we want to hear from as many people as possible.
What services are in the plan?

Some of the services included in the plan are:

Social Work
Housing support services
Services that help people stay fit and healthy.

Community Nursing
Speech and language therapy
Accident and Emergency
Doctors
Our Vision for Edinburgh

We want everyone to work together to make Edinburgh caring, healthier, safer.

People will feel safe and confident in their community.

People should be able to learn and develop skills.

People will have good health. They will be supported to make healthy and safe choices. People will be supported to be active.

People will be safe from all types of abuse.
People will be at the centre of arranging their services.

People will be supported to have active lives and included in their community.

The money will go further.
Better ways of working

Providers will work with people and communities to plan and deliver services.

People and their carers will take control of how their support needs are met.

People will get the help they need earlier. This will give them the skills to remain independent.

People can get support services in the community and in hospital when they need to.

Health and Social Care services will work together.
Communities are involved in the design and delivery of services.
Our Priorities

1. Helping everyone to have good health

These groups of people are more likely to have bad health:

- Carers
- People with disabilities
- People from an ethnic minority background
- People with less money

We plan to:

- Work in partnership at a local level. This will help improve how we support people to have better health.

Decide what is the best way to use the money available to help people have good health.

Help people to be active, eat a healthy diet and use outdoor green space.
Provide accessible information on keeping healthy.
2. Prevention and early intervention

Getting help earlier can help people stay healthy for longer. It is good for people to have confidence and skills to make choices about their own health. Loneliness is bad for your health. Older people have a high risk of falling.

We plan to:

Help people get support earlier before a crisis happens.

Work better with G.P’s and Housing providers. We will use the information we have to make sure people who need help get it.
3. Person Centred Care

The person should be at the centre of their care plan. They should be involved and listened to.

We plan to:

Train staff about Person Centred Care. Give people accessible information, advice and support.

Work with people in communities to plan services.

Make support joined up so people do not have to explain their situation over and over again.

Use technology to allow people to take more control of their care.
4. Right care, right place, right time.

People should get the care they need at the time they need it. More people should be treated and supported in the community. People should only be in hospital if they need to be.

**We plan to:**

Use technology to support people in the community and their homes rather than going into hospital.

Develop plans and services for people at risk with dementia, learning disabilities, autism and mental health.
5. Working in partnership

All organisations need to work together. Health and Social Care staff, support providers, G.P’s, carers and the person all need to work together.

We will split Edinburgh into 4 areas called localities. This will help us understand local need.

We plan to:

Support unpaid carers to build their confidence and skills.

Meet demand for services with less money.

Have more accessible and affordable housing.
6. Managing our resources

We need to make our money go further. We need to make the best use of people, buildings, information and technology. Services need to be high quality and person centred.

We plan to:

Work in partnership in the 4 localities to see what is needed.

Work in partnership to train staff in health and social care services.

Make sure we have good information about people’s needs.
Use technology to enable individuals to be as independent as possible.

Work with partners to look at new ways to deliver services.
Questions

1. Helping everyone have good health

Do you agree with this priority?

Yes ☐ No ☐

Please tell us more about this in the box below:

Do you agree with what we plan to do?

Yes ☐ No ☐

Please tell us more about this in the box below:
2. Prevention and early intervention

Do you agree with this priority?

Yes □  No □

Please tell us more about this in the box below:

Do you agree with what we plan to do?

Yes □  No □

Please tell us more about this in the box below:
3. Person Centred Care

Do you agree with this priority?

Yes [ ] No [ ]

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Do you agree with what we plan to do?

Yes [ ] No [ ]

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4. Right care, right place, right time

Do you agree with this priority?

Yes □ No □

Please tell us more about this in the box below:

Do you agree with what we plan to do?

Yes □ No □

Please tell us more about this in the box below:
5. Working in partnership to use all resources

Do you agree with this priority?

Yes [ ] No [ ]

Please tell us more about this in the box below:


Do you agree with what we plan to do?

Yes [ ] No [ ]

Please tell us more about this in the box below:


6. Managing our resources

Do you agree with this priority?

Yes □  No □

Please tell us more about this in the box below:

Do you agree with what we plan to do?

Yes □  No □

Please tell us more about this in the box below:
Are there any issues we have missed?

Yes ☐  No ☐

Please tell us more about this in the box below:

Is there anything else you would like to tell us before we finish our plan?

Please tell us more about this in the box below:
You can give us comments on the draft plan at: https://consultationhub.edinburgh.gov.uk/

You can find out more about the consultation by emailing us at: healthsocialcareintegration@edinburgh.gov.uk or call: 0131 529 6552