

Collaborative working executive summary

Surrey and Sussex Healthcare NHS Trust (SASH) CT guided biopsy pathway review project

Project title:

A collaborative working agreement between Surrey and Sussex Healthcare NHS Trust and Johnson and Johnson, to optimise the Lung CT guided biopsy pathway

Partner Organisations:

Johnson & Johnson, 50-100 Holmers Farm Way, High Wycombe HP12 4EG

Surrey and Sussex Healthcare NHS Trust, Canada Avenue, Redhill, RH1 5RH

Summary

Working in collaboration with Surrey and Sussex Healthcare NHS Trust, there is an opportunity to optimise the Lung CT guided biopsy pathway in line with national guidelines with an aim of improving the service efficiency and patient access. The outcome of this project is an improved Lung pathway for the Trust measured against the 62-day Cancer Wait Times Targets. This project is estimated to run for 6 months.

Project objectives

To align the Surrey and Sussex Healthcare NHS Trust cross functional teams on key focus areas for service improvement in the Lung CT guided biopsy pathway to ensure collective understanding and commitment to potential solution implementation.

In addition, to determine the potential impact of these targeted improvements on overall service delivery and patient care. Utilise the findings to build a robust business case advocating for the changes that are crucial for implementing the identified solutions.

Benefits

For patients:

- Quicker access to care without delay (if proposed solutions implemented).
- Maintenance of current level of care throughout the project

For Surrey and Sussex Healthcare NHS Trust:

- Confidence through scenario planning that any proposed changes will improve the Lung Cancer service, specifically the lung CT guided biopsy pathway, reduce time to treatment, increase volume of patients access to treatment and reduce the administration and management burden on NHS staff

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- Capacity creation and/or resource improvements to improve CT guided biopsy pathway
- Deliver on all agreed Trust KPIs and Metrics
- Provide rationale and analytical data to develop confidence that any implemented solution delivers the agreed outcomes and KPI performance, supporting a case for change.

For Johnson & Johnson:

- Johnson & Johnson produce medicines within this therapy area. Identifying ways to improve the current service may lead to increased patient numbers flowing through the system, which may lead to increased appropriate use of Johnson & Johnson medicines in line with local guidelines
- Greater understanding of the needs of the NHS in Lung Cancer, which may be shared with other health economies, to aid service redesign, and build capabilities and improve patient care
- Access across the region to relevant stakeholders to continue forging partnerships and patient access to treatment. Share learnings across the alliance and nationally.

Resource

This project is a shared contribution of time and resource between Surrey and Sussex Healthcare NHS Trust and Johnson and Johnson.

Johnson & Johnson will provide £2,215.20 of resource time to project management, facilitating the workshop and follow up actions. 48 hours of Johnson & Johnson colleagues time will be provided to support the project through all stages of delivery from planning to evaluation.

Surrey and Sussex Healthcare NHS Trust will provide a total of 136 hours of time to the project equating to £5,982.32

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Total resource of the project: £8,197.52

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