

10 January 2017

Agenda Item: 4

REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF JOINT CITY AND COUNTY HEALTH SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

WINTER PRESSURES – EAST MIDLANDS AMBULANCE SERVICE

Purpose of the Report

1. To introduce the latest briefing from the East Midlands Ambulance Service (EMAS) on the response to winter pressures.

Information and Advice

2. The Joint Health Committee has been examining how provider trusts plan for and cope with winter pressures. The committee has previously examined
3. A presentation on EMAS' Nottinghamshire Division Seasonal Plan for 2016-17 is attached as an appendix to this report.
4. Ian Cross and Keith Underwood, EMAS Locality Managers will attend the meeting to brief Members and answer questions as necessary.
5. Members may wish to focus on how EMAS communicate and co-operate with hospital trusts and other stakeholders, as well as what lessons are learned year on year. It would be useful for the Joint Health Committee to gain an understanding of the impact of handover time on EMAS performance, the extent to which flu vaccinations of staff have a positive impact on attendance, the diversion of patients away from the Emergency Department by means of 'hear and treat' and 'see and treat' measures. In addition, what is the role of EMAS within A&E Delivery Boards – and how have these boards assisted the role of EMAS?

RECOMMENDATION

That the Joint City and County Health Scrutiny Committee:

- 1) Consider and comment on the information provided.
- 2) Schedule further consideration as necessary.

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Chairman of Joint City and County Health Scrutiny Committee

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Background Papers

Nil

Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

All