

7 May 2019**Agenda Item: 6****REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF HEALTH SCRUTINY COMMITTEE****MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY PATHWAY****Purpose of the Report**

1. To provide the Health Scrutiny Committee with an initial briefing on the Muscular Dystrophy pathway at Nottingham University Hospital (NUH).

Information

2. Muscular dystrophy is a group of inherited disorders that cause muscle weakness and loss of muscle tissue which worsen over time. Muscular dystrophy occurs when one of the genes responsible for producing proteins which protect muscles fibres from damage is defective.
3. Further to a request from a Member of the Health Scrutiny Committee, senior representatives and clinicians from NUH will attend to provide an initial briefing on patient experience in the Muscular Dystrophy pathway, including the Physiotherapy Service (adults). The attendees are as follows: Dr Saam Sedehizadeh, Consultant Neurologist; Neil Ellis, Pathway General Manager; Kirstie Spencer, Muscular Dystrophy Care Advisor.
4. A briefing from NUH is attached as an appendix to this report.
5. If issues arise from the briefing, Members may wish to schedule further consideration of the Muscular Dystrophy pathway.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Health Scrutiny Committee:

- 1) Considers and comments on the information provided.
- 2) Schedules further consideration, as necessary.

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Chairman of Health Scrutiny Committee

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Background Papers

Nil

Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

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