



Patient Transport Services

PCT as PTS Commissioners

- Coverage
 - PCT provided services
 - Services that transfer from hospital to community locations
- Excluded
 - Services provided by acute Trusts
 - Services provided from Treatment Centres

PCT Provided Services

- Cost & Volume Contract with EMAS
 - Discharge from community hospitals
 - Attendance at outpatient clinics
 - Mainly used for hand seat, wheelchair and stretcher cases
 - Pay extra for escorts
- Contract with local taxi firms
 - Covers same functions as EMAS contract
 - Mainly “walkers”

Commissioning Arrangements

- Assessment of need based on historical activity levels plus growth.
- Monthly contracted activity performance reports provided by EMAS.
- Quality/performance indicators written into the contract.
- Annual review of contract between PCT and EMAS.

Care Outside Hospital

- More services are being provided in community locations.
- Transport will be provided – an important equality issue.
- Relevant 08/09 contract variations for community based services reference need to ensure PTS are available.
- Demand is unknown but will increase as more services are provided closer to where people live.
- Value for money to be assessed as demand becomes clear.

Treatment Centres

- Nottingham
 - Patient transport to be provided under the contract
 - Expect the standard PTS eligibility criteria to be applied
- Barlborough
 - Patient transport provided under standard PTS eligibility criteria