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Re: Freedom of Information Request

Please find below the response to your recent Freedom of Information request regarding remote patient monitoring/telehealth within NHS South Sefton CCG.

Request/Response:

1. Does your organization presently use and/or endorse a (RPM) remote patient monitoring system to capture vital signs or other health related measurements whilst a patient is residing in their own home or being cared for in a non-acute environment such as community hospital/hospice/residential or care home - (Measurement examples being blood pressure/weight/temperature/Oxygen Saturation/EWS/ pulse/glucose etc.)?

    No

    1. If the answer is NO –

        1.1.2   Is telemedicine/ RPM, something that the CCG would consider (within the next 2 years) as a way of either reducing hospital re-admissions, saving district nursing time & cost, for patient convenience and/or recognizing and acting upon patient deterioration sooner?

            Yes subject to cost and efficacy

        1.1.3   If the CCG is not considering RPM for suitable patients (able to take their own readings or have a relative who can do this for them) – is there a reason why this is not being considered?

            Not applicable

    1.2   If the answer is YES – RPM is presently used in the community - could you please detail –
        1.2.1   The system type/name/supplier
        1.2.2   Where do you send this data/measurements to – for instance…GP system

1.2.3 When this system came into use and when contract expires

1.2.4 How much does this costs the CCG (approximately) per patient or per year for multiple patients

1.2.5 What patient data is captured & is there measurements you would like to capture but cannot achieve at the moment?

1.2.6 Has there been any analysis of this data to demonstrate that remote patient monitoring from home, (or community residence) has reduced patient admissions into hospital and/or improved patient care/medication needs etc?

Not applicable

2. Who is the main person(s)/ decision maker (s)or team – who would probably be responsible (or is responsible) for the decision to use remote patient monitoring in the community? Name/title…

NHS South Sefton CCG does not hold this information. This decision would be made by a community team.

You may wish to refer your query to Mersey Care NHS Foundation Trust - freedomofinformation@merseycare.nhs.uk