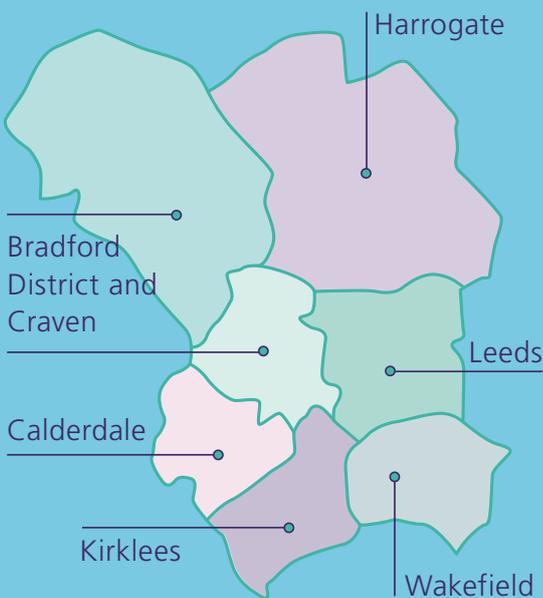


Telling our Partnership story



Proud to be the West Yorkshire and Harrogate Health and Care Partnership

Committed to improving the health and wellbeing of people living in:



- > Working to improve people's health with and for them
- > Improving people's experience of healthcare
- > Making every penny in the pound count
- > Working to keep people well and make life better for 2.6 million people living in West Yorkshire and Harrogate.



Govroam

Our ambition

Our Partnership workforce plan aims to create the conditions for health and care staff to move easily between organisations, reducing bureaucracy, freeing up time and resources to improve patient care. It also aims to encourage flexible working.

A huge part of this is getting our IT infrastructure right across the system. We want all health and social care staff to be able to work at any public sector building in our region, as if they were in their own organisation.





Wakefield Council has been working with The Mid Yorkshire Hospitals Trust for several years, assisting with the discharge needs of people needing support to return home so they can live independently as possible.

While social workers embedded at Pinderfields Hospital could previously only access their systems on one dedicated fixed computer, Govroam means they can now connect to council systems wherever they are.

This allows social workers to be more productive, increasing the number of discharges they handle, releasing beds for more people. Because the facility is available across the Hospital Trust estate, the council can now also deploy social workers to other neighbouring hospitals more readily too.

What next?

The ability to connect seamlessly in all locations is key to the transformation of health and care services. We are continuing to add sites to Govroam and making sure all organisations are connected.

What we are doing

Govroam is a Wi-Fi network that gives staff seamless roaming internet access across multiple public-sector locations. We've rolled this out across hundreds of sites in West Yorkshire and Harrogate, allowing our staff to travel between any participating organisation and connect to the Wi-Fi network, without touching their laptop, smart phone or tablet.

In an ever more joined up health and social care system, staff need to connect to the internet and to resources at their home organisation, in multiple locations, using any device – whether they're managers, members of the emergency services, or people in multidisciplinary teams. Govroam can make this happen seamlessly.

Another benefit is that there are savings on staff time previously lost trying to connect to Wi-Fi.

The next major change will be to replace the NHS N3 network connection with the new Health and Social Care Network.

This is a national project that will provide a secure connection between all organisations within the health and social care system. Work on the new network is expected to be complete in 2019.



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