

## Winter plan

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**Title:** Winter Preparedness plan

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**Key Purpose:** Strategy, Assurance, Performance.

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## **Executive Summary- Winter Plan**

1. Ensure the best possible care, safety and experience for all of our patients and service users:
  - 1.1 *Safely manage and protect patients from Flu and COVID-19 across all settings*
  - 1.2 Protect, look after and support our staff, looking after staff wellbeing, supporting vulnerable staff and protecting staff from COVID-19 and flu
  - 1.3 Deliver care in the right setting, close to home to support our population, through initiatives like NHS 111 First and Home First.
  - 1.4 *Work with patients and staff to ensure the best possible safety, care and experience for all.*
2. Oxfordshire's health, social care and voluntary sector partners, as an alliance we are bidding together for funding aimed at supporting the wider NHS and voluntary community dealing with COVID-19.
3. Improving care pathways to achieve the national metric for increasing the number of patients going home.
4. The OUHFT clinical activity plan focussed on maintaining elective capacity on the Churchill, NOC, West Wing and Children's hospitals.
5. The main JR 2 stack has been reorganised ahead of the winter demand to meet urgent and emergency demand and potential flu/Covid-19 demand.
6. Horton and JR baseline bed demand is based on 19/20 observed actuals for winter 2019/20.
7. The main projects to improve capacity are as follows;
  - 7.1 NHS 111 First; people contact their GP or NHS 111 to ensure the patient is assessed in the most appropriate place based on their needs.
  - 7.2 Home First: Reducing LOS by transferring the patient home at the earliest opportunity or supporting the patient to remain in their own home
  - 7.3 Flu vaccination programme
  - 7.4 Improving access to Mental health services
  - 7.5 Supporting patients to manage their own conditions at home
  - 7.6 Providing specialist support for all patients on an End of Life pathway

## **Recommendations**

- 8 The Trust Board is asked to approve the winter plan.

