

Patient Information

Integrated Discharge Team

Fast track discharges: Patient/Carer information form

A fast track discharge is for patients who have a rapidly deteriorating condition or are likely to rapidly deteriorate and are approaching the last weeks to months of life.

The aim is to provide a safe transition for you from hospital to your preferred place of care.

An assessment of your needs by a registered nurse from the Discharge Team is completed in hospital with yourself and your family if you choose for them to be part of the assessment.

Once a decision is reached, either a package of care or placement will be sourced by the Integrated Care Board and funded by the NHS for a period of up to 12 weeks.

You and your care needs will then be reviewed in the community. If your needs change, the care and funding can be adjusted accordingly.

If you choose a placement, your nursing needs will be met by registered nurses within the care setting.

Depending on availability, you may be offered a choice of placements from the homes that the NHS currently have a contract with. You will then have 24 hours to identify your preference.



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If you choose a package of care, your nursing needs will be met by community district nursing services or the community palliative care team if appropriate.

If you choose to opt out of the homes provided or package of care, you are therefore opting out of continuing healthcare funding.

For those patients within the Coventry and Warwickshire area, a referral can be made to Compassionate Communities who provide a wealth of services and support to individuals and families within the community setting. Self-referral can be made on 0247 696 5131.

During hospital admission, please contact the Integrated Discharge Team on 0247 696 5596 if you have any queries. We work Monday to Friday 8am to 6pm, Saturday and Sunday 8am to 4pm.

Once discharged from hospital, the Integrated Care Board on 0247 771 0970 can support with any further queries.

The Trust has access to interpreting and translation services. If you need this information in another language or format, please contact 0247 696 5597 and we will do our best to meet your needs.

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