



Consultation to change hyper acute stroke services in South Yorkshire, Bassetlaw and North Derbyshire

You said it was important to have:



Quick response



Quality staff



Quality service



Fast ambulance/response



Good rehabilitation

What are HASS?



Where you are cared for up to the first 72 hours (or sooner) after having a stroke.

What they are not



“Acute stroke” units/wards - which is where you are cared for after the first 72 hours of having a stroke until you are ready to go home.

Rehabilitation services, such as speech and language and physiotherapies, which help you get better once you’ve gone home.

We are not proposing to close any units.

We need more stroke doctors and nurses



We need more to run the existing services - but there aren't enough locally and nationally.

We have already seen temporary closures of some of our units because there aren't enough doctors or nurses available to provide the services.

How quickly scans and tests are done and reported varies from hospital to hospital.

Why is this an issue?

Due to a delay in the necessary tests being done, which help to diagnose patients, there is a delay in some treatments that should be given after having a stroke.

We want every stroke patient in our region to have the safest and best possible care so they get better quicker and have less chance of living with a disability when they go home.

Why do we want to improve these services?

Three out of five of hyper acute stroke units (HASUs) admit less than 600 patients a year.

Why is this an issue?

This is below the national best practice minimum - meaning stroke doctors and nurses in some of our units risk becoming de-skilled - which in turn would mean you may not get the best possible or safest care in the future.



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