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TIME LISTENING RESPONDING WHAT PATIENTS **SCALE** SAID TO US & IMPROVING PRIORITY PROJECT 2019-2020 **ADMISSION PATIENT EXPERIENCE:** 1. We are currently reviewing the hospital admissions process; this will provide TO HOSPITAL Improve patient the patient with a seamless journey into and through the hospital. > 繭 experience of ED. ONGOING CARE ON **NUTRITION:** 1. Over the next year, we will continue to strengthen the improvements we Improve hospital have achieved with patients' nutrition and hospital food as a result of **THE WARD** food and nutrition. implementing initiatives e.g. Protected Mealtimes, Replacement Meals and the Red Tray to identify patients requiring assistance at mealtimes. PRIORITY PROJECT Q1 2020 2. We will undertake an audit assessment of the Hospital's Compliance with the Nutrition and Hydration guidelines using new toolkit and guidelines. This will identify if further actions are required. **EMBEDDED** 3. One of the initiatives that is being undertaken is to improve the diet for patients who have difficulties in swallowing. This work will improve their nutritional care and well being in hospital, this is called the International Dysphagia Diet Standardisation Initiative (IDDSI). 4. We have also introduced a patient nutrition screening assessment for EMBEDDED orthopaedic patients. This will improve the identification of 'at risk' patients who may require additional nutritional support. **COMMUNICATION:** 04 2020 1. We will introduce the National Patient Communication Programme Improve patient 'Making Connections' for our staff. This programme is designed to improve health information communication skills between staff and patients and improve overall patient provided to patients experience. throughout their Q4 2019 journey including at 2. We have developed a policy to assist staff in responding to suicide or suicide discharge. EMBEDDED 3. We are providing SafeTALK training for staff to improve communication between patients and staff. **EMBEDDED** 4. Open Disclosure Training for staff continues to ensure open and transparent communication between staff and patients. **EXAMINATION COMMUNICATION:** 1. We are committed to reducing the risk of infection to our patients with the **EMBEDDED DIAGNOSIS &** Improve access introduction of Automated Hand Gel Sprayers at high risk doors within the and information hospital. TREATMENT for patients when Q4 2019 discussing their care 2. We have developed a blood clot assessment for patients called 'Venous Thrombosis Emboli (VTE). This is currently been introduced to improve the and treatment with staff. early identification of patients 'at risk' of developing a blood clot. EMBEDDED 3. We have also implemented the National Orthopaedic Register (INOR). **DISCHARGE COMMUNICATION:** EMBEDDED Improving the access 1. We continue to promote initiatives to improving the patient experience of **OR TRANSFER** and distribution discharge, the following initiative is being introduced: of written patient - Post Acute Care (called 'PAC') education session for patients prior to information about their surgery. This patient education session includes information to going home. patients about their procedure/surgery, after care, medication side effects information leaflet. The aim is to provide the patient with information and education to ensure a better experience of discharge from hospital. 2. We are currently developing a new Wound Management Discharge leaflet, Q4 2019



which will also educate patients on managing a wound when they go home.

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SCALE & IMPROVING SAID TO US PATIENT CONTINUOUS Q2 2020 1. The hospital is working to develop an onsite Shop for Service Users. IMPROVEMENT: **EXPERIENCE** COMMUNICATION: 1. We are working on the redevelopment of the hospital website to make it Q1 2020 more user friendly for patients, families and carers. Q4 2019 2. Information on data protection will now be available on the hospital website for patients and families. **DIGNITY &** Q2 2020 **RESPECT** 1. A special focus on improving patient privacy and dignity and respect for AND PRIVACY: patients and families, with the planned development of: family room for patients of the ARUredevelopment of high dependency unit. Improving and 2021 sustaining patient experience. Q1 2020 2. We have also undertaken the development of a Tranquillity Garden for service users, their families and staff. This will allow patients, families and staff to access a tranquil outdoor garden area, away from the ward setting.

1. Annual promotion and provision of the flu vaccine to all staff.

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