

# Update on the transfer of the Treatment Centre to Nottingham University Hospitals NHS Trust

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## Introduction

Briefing submitted for assurance on behalf of the Nottingham and Nottinghamshire CCGs

## Mobilisation

Nottingham University Hospitals (NUH) is now coming to the end of the initial 3-month mobilisation phase. All services previously delivered by Circle have transferred and are now being delivered wholly by NUH. As part of the mobilisation, over 500 staff transferred from employment with Circle to NUH.

Previously 50% of the medical workforce was employed through ad hoc arrangements by Circle. NUH is gradually replacing these with substantive appointments and has made progress in dermatology, anaesthetics and gastroenterology.

As well as staff, the mobilisation included the migration of all IT systems, patient appointment (which have been transferred to NUH operating system). This involved a data transfer of 44,642 existing patient bookings for outpatient appointments and surgery.

Other services that have now also been moved to NUH include the pharmacy contract (which transferred from the end of October).

## Patient appointments

In-patient activity was paused in August and recommenced with overnight stay patients in September.

Throughout the whole mobilisation phase just over 2,000 patients had their appointment date and time rescheduled. Each patient was received an individual letter about these changes.

Currently patients having major joint replacements have not been treated at the Treatment Centre but have been transferred to the elective orthopaedic unit at Nottingham City Hospital primarily due to need to ensure that safe out of hours cover is in place.

Apart from elective orthopaedic joints there have been no other significant changes in activity in the first three months.

## Current status

NUH is now moving to the transformation phase of the work to improve services.

The CCG anticipates moving into a new phase of the contract in December when we will begin monitoring the transformation plan as mobilisation will be fully complete.