



Bringing together community, mental health and learning disability services



It's important that everyone across Hampshire and the Isle of Wight has equal access to NHS services and the same chances of recovery. We understand that the need for community, mental health and learning disability services will change and increase in line with our diverse and growing population in our local communities.

In January 2022, the NHS commissioned an independent review of community, mental health and learning disability services across Hampshire and the Isle of Wight, to find out how we can best meet current and future demand.

One of the review's recommendations was that a new organisation should be formed, to bring together all NHS community, mental health and learning disability services provided in Hampshire and the Isle of Wight, including services provided by Solent NHS Trust, Southern Health NHS Foundation Trust, Isle of Wight NHS Trust and Hampshire's Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS), which are currently provided by Sussex Partnership NHS Foundation Trust.

What is Project Fusion?

Project Fusion is the name we have given to the work we need to do to bring together community, mental health and learning disability services across Hampshire and the Isle of Wight. It is **not** the name of the new organisation.

What benefits will a new organisation have?

- ✓ Improved consistency of care
- ✓ Improved access, especially to those most in need
- ✓ More joined up services, across services and geographies
- ✓ Greater patient experience
- ✓ Reduced staffing vacancies and better retention of staff
- ✓ Enhanced patient voice
- ✓ Improved development and career opportunities for staff
- ✓ More sustainable services



When will this happen?

Our ambition is to create a new organisation by April 2024.

The creation of a new organisation will be a starting point from which we will continue to develop our services – it won't all be done by day one.

Who are we working with?

We are working closely with service users, Healthwatch, and the local authorities to help shape these changes.



How will these changes affect me?

We are all working together to ensure there is little disruption to our services and the care that we provide.

If we do need to make any changes, in most cases this will be to introduce a new service to increase access or improve existing services, so that everyone has the opportunity to experience the same outcomes.

Decisions about any change to service or improvements of existing services will be made in collaboration with our staff, partners, patients, service users, carers and families.

How will Project Fusion make it happen?

We have already identified several clinical areas that we can work together to improve by working with our clinicians, patients, families and carers. The areas will help to shape what the new organisation will look like.

...this is about creating a new organisation that will be a stronger platform for more joined up, less fragmented care.

How can I stay up to date on all the developments?

You can find out more by visiting your local NHS website. You can also email the team at project@fusion.hiow.nhs.uk if you have any questions or feedback.

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