

Croydon stroke database

Project background overview

The main objective of the project was to create a comprehensive stroke database, able to track all stroke patients in the borough of Croydon.

The database programme, Infoflex is used by other departments within Croydon Health Services NHS Trust and the funding from the Accelerating Stroke Improvement programme was used by the Trust's IT department to construct a stroke module for Infoflex.

Aim

To create and implement a comprehensive stroke database which will enable the tracking of all stroke patients through acute and rehab phases in Croydon.

Achievements

- The successful implementation of this project **across stroke services in acute and community settings** has helped Croydon Health Services NHS Trust to capture of all ASI data and assisting to:

- Ensure that all patients receive the appropriate secondary prevention strategy after their stroke
- Chart patients' rehabilitation progress
- Monitor if patients are achieving their goals while receiving inpatient rehabilitation
- Monitors a patient's appropriateness for early supported discharge (ESD)
- Identifies patients due for six month and one year follow-ups



Sustainability

- Following the database becoming operational across the pathway in March 2011 no additional funding is required.
- The database is now the primary IT programme used to capture stroke information and will become widely used and sustainable beyond the project completion.
- All staff working across the stroke pathway have been given access and training in the use of the programme.
- The database is used by junior doctors as a compulsory part of the discharge process.
- Croydon Health Services NHS Trust's IT department have been trained in managing the module, enabling amendments to be made at a later stage if required.

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