

Completed Joint Working Project Executive Summary for Publication

Improving Paediatric ADHD Services, Heart of England NHS Foundation Trust, (now part of University Hospitals Birmingham NHS Foundation Trust), and Takeda UK Limited

Heart of England NHS Foundation Trust, now part of University Hospitals Birmingham NHS Foundation Trust and Takeda UK Limited, were engaged in joint working to help develop the Trust's paediatric ADHD service. This project was undertaken as a pharmacotherapy audit of treatments patients received to manage their ADHD. In addition to this, a new community based ADHD nurse service was developed to run over a period of 30 months to provide nurse support for young people with ADHD in their local community setting. The parties agreed that the Project would be undertaken in accordance with the principles and guidance relating to joint working between the NHS and the pharmaceutical industry. The primary objective of the Project was to bring benefits to patients and improve patient outcomes through high quality and cost effective treatment and management. The financial commitments of both parties were similar and significant and, in total, fell in the range of £200,000 – £220,000. The Project commenced in September 2017 and continued for a period of 30 months from that date and brought benefits to patients, the Trust and Takeda UK Limited.

It was designed to support:

- Patient outcomes
- Reduced waiting times
- More effective assessment and treatment
- Training for relevant medical and non-medical practitioners.

A full report on the outcomes from this joint working will be published in 2021.

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