

Doncaster LINK Discharge Procedure Sub Group Overview

The above group met on the 3rd March 2009. The group had previously requested copies of the Doncaster and Bassetlaw Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust Policy for the Discharge of Adult Patients from Hospital. Also, a copy of the Doncaster and South Humber Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust Discharge from Hospital In Patient Policy along with a copy of Council and Care Guidelines on Hospital Discharge for Older People.

The discharge procedures outlined in these documents were discussed at length. It was agreed to focus initially on Doncaster Royal Infirmary Orthopaedic Wards, to identify any breakdowns in discharge procedures, as these wards covered all age groups.

The following action was agreed to be completed by the next meeting:

- 1 Patient Advice Liaison Service (PALS) at Doncaster Royal Infirmary to be approached to see if they can supply any information regarding surveys and complaints appertaining to Doncaster Hospital Trusts Orthopaedic Wards.
- 2 Doncaster LINK's representation is to be requested on the Doncaster Trusts Discharge Review Group.
- 3 Contact points are to be identified for information on Discharge Procedures in Community Health and Social Care.
- 4 Members to give thought to the planning of a Patient Satisfaction Questionnaire.