

Information Update: ReSPECT Forms in Primary Care 21 June 2018

Following representation from the LMC, the roll out of ReSPECT forms was paused to allow further consultation around the implementation

We had a very productive and positive meeting with the End of Life work stream leads from Joined Up Care Derbyshire, and have been in consultation with the Coroner.

They have taken on board the concerns expressed about a forced roll out into primary care and agree that, whilst the acute trusts and DCHS will start to use the form from the end of June, a softer rollout for general practice is sensible. This will mean that there will likely be more than one type of DNACPR form in use across Derbyshire for the foreseeable future.

We are reassured that an electronic version for Systm1 is being trialed, and we hope that a solution will follow for EMIS presently.

In order to mitigate the risks of access to a patient's ReSPECT form after discharge, CRH have agreed that they will scan a completed ReSPECT form and email it with the discharge summary. Royal Derby Hospital and DCHS have yet to arrange use of a scanner, we believe this must happen before the end of June start date and have verbal assurance from the medical directors of both organisations that this will happen.

The form is not compulsory for primary care, practices may not choose to use it until an electronic version becomes available If a ReSPECT form is completed during a hospital stay then there will be no need to redo it, or provide a 'community DNACPR' on discharge: Derbyshire's Care Homes will be receiving education on this.

Please address any issues with the ReSPECT Forms to;

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