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Option Appraisal being led by
Cowal Palliative Care
Implementation Group



Palliative Care Option Appraisal

“Palliative Care covers symptom and pain control for people with life limiting conditions and end of life care when death is expected within a definable period of time”



OPTION 2 : HOSPITAL, DESIGNATED BEDS

Palliative Care is provided within Cowal Community Hospital wards.

Where

A quiet, non-acute supported/Palliative Care ward. This option will ensure 2 designated Palliative Care beds are always available. To aid patient choice these 2 beds will be allocated from any of the available beds on the ward, which includes single en-suite rooms. The remaining beds will be used for general admissions, ongoing treatment and rehabilitation. Daily bed management, led by the senior nurse in charge, will reflect patient care needs and choice.

Who

This care will be provided by all nursing staff who have training and experience in all types of care including palliative care, with support from Macmillan and Marie Curie Nurses.

Bed numbers

This option will give a total of 19 beds in the hospital with 2 designated beds for Palliative Care and the remaining 17 beds for general admissions and ongoing treatment, rehabilitation and care.

OPTION 7 : COWAL HOSPICE

Palliative Care is provided within Cowal Hospice in designated beds with designated staff.

Where

This option will provide 4 designated Palliative Care beds within the Hospice building and 15 general admission, treatment and rehabilitation beds to be provided across the wards in the hospital.

Who

The care will be provided by designated Palliative Care staff who will have training and experience in Palliative Care and will be supported by Macmillan and Marie Curie nurses.

Bed numbers

This option will give a total of 19 of beds within the hospital, of which 4 would be designated Palliative Care beds and the remaining 15 would be for general admissions, treatment and rehabilitation and care in wards.

OPTION 4 : HOSPITAL REDESIGN

Palliative Care is provided within Cowal Community Hospital and Cowal Hospice building with no designation of beds or staff.

Where

This option will provide Palliative Care within the Hospice building which will require an additional 2 beds bringing the bed capacity to 6 beds, and ward 1 with 11 beds. There will be no designated beds and patients will be admitted depending on their medical needs & individual choice to any bed across the Hospice building & ward 1. Ward 2 will no longer exist. Daily bed management, led by the senior nurse in charge, will reflect patient care needs and choice.

Who

This care will be provided by all nursing staff who have training and experience in all types of care including Palliative Care, with support from Macmillan and Marie Curie nurses.

Bed numbers

This option will give a total of 17 beds within the hospital to be used, as required, for Palliative Care patients, general admissions and ongoing treatment, rehabilitation and care.

OPTION 9 : CONTRACTED SERVICES FROM REGISTERED HOSPICE

The Cowal Hospice applies to become a national registered unit and contracts specialist support from a registered hospice. Admission criteria would be set by the registered hospice.

Where

This option will provide designated Palliative Care beds within the Hospice building and 17 general admission, treatment and rehabilitation beds to be provided across the wards in the hospital.

Who

The care will be provided by designated Palliative Care staff who will have training and experience in Palliative Care and will be supported by specialist staff from a registered hospice via a contract.

Bed numbers

This option will give a total of 17 beds within the hospital and an unspecified number of designated Palliative Care beds which will be determined by the governing registered hospice. The 17 hospital beds would be for general admissions, treatment and rehabilitation and care.

OPTION 5 : HOSPITAL REDESIGN

Palliative Care is provided within Cowal Community Hospital and Cowal Hospice building with designated beds and staff.

Where

This option will provide 2 designated Palliative Care beds within the Hospice building which will require an additional 2 beds bringing the bed capacity to 6 beds, and ward 1 with 11 beds. Ward 2 will no longer exist. Daily bed management, led by the senior nurse in charge, will reflect patient care needs and choice.

Who

The care will be provided by designated Palliative Care staff who will have training and experience in Palliative Care and will be supported by Macmillan and Marie Curie nurses.

Bed numbers

This option will give a total of 17 beds within the hospital, with 2 designated beds for Palliative Care patients, and the remaining 15 to be used for general admissions and ongoing treatment, rehabilitation and care.

OPTION 10 : BRANCH OF A REGISTERED HOSPICE

The Cowal Hospice becomes a branch of a registered hospice, admission criteria would be set by the registered hospice.

Where

This option will provide designated Palliative Care beds within the Hospice building and 17 general admission, treatment & rehabilitation beds to be provided across the wards in hospital.

Who

The care will be provided by designated Palliative Care staff who will have training and experience in Palliative Care and who are employed by the registered hospice.

Bed numbers

This option will give a total of 17 beds within the hospital, and an unspecified number of designated Palliative Care beds which will be determined by the governing registered hospice. The 17 hospital beds would be for general admissions, treatment & rehabilitation and care.