

Executive Summary

A Collaborative Working Project between Bristol-Myers Squibb Pharmaceutical Limited (“BMS”) and Lothian NHS Board.

Project title	Establishing a new ICC clinic in Scotland; guideline-based specialist pharmacy led care in collaboration with NHS Lothian.
Project rationale	<p>NHS Lothian seek to work collaboratively with Bristol Myers Squibb (BMS) to implement a new pharmacist-led ESC guideline-based pathway for their patients with Inherited Cardiac Conditions (ICC).</p> <p>There is no dedicated ICC clinic within the East Region of Lothian, Fife and Borders, leaving gaps in the management of ICC patients, particularly those with cardiomyopathies including obstructive HCM.</p> <p>The current management of these patients, in particular the absence of a specific clinic, is a limiting factor in patients accessing guidelines-based quality care.</p>
Project objectives	<p>This project aims to optimise care for ICC patients, firstly focusing on those with obstructive HCM in NHS Lothian by establishing a guideline-based, multidisciplinary, specialist pharmacy-led clinic. Its objectives are to audit current patients and design a new care pathway in accordance with ESC guidelines, enhance patient access to evidence-based treatments, and reduce inconsistencies and inefficiencies in service delivery.</p> <p>The project will develop and implement a new clinical service that includes SOPs, measure improvements in patient outcomes and referral times, and generate best practice learnings for wider adoption. Importantly, this new service will ensure patients are not lost to follow-up and promote equity of care across the region. Ultimately, it seeks to create a sustainable, efficient service that improves patient care for those with obstructive HCM and will be extended to future services for other inherited cardiac conditions.</p>

Expected Benefits:
Benefits for Patients

- Improved Access to Care
- Personalised Care
- Reduced Waiting Times
- Improved Outcomes
- Enhanced Support

Benefits for NHS Lothian

- Development of an ICC Clinic in NHS Lothian
- Service Efficiency
- Appropriate Referrals
- Sustainable Service Improvements
- Reduction in Wait Times
- Quality Improvement
- Knowledge Sharing

Benefits for Bristol Myers Squibb (BMS)

- Reputational Gains
- Best Practice Example
- Collaborative Publications

General Project Outcomes

- Development and Implementation of SOPs
- Publication of Results

Project period	<p>This is a 24-month project, delivered in 3 Phases, with six months allowed for write up on project completion.</p> <p>Phase 1: Baseline Audit & Service Design</p> <p>Phase 2: Service Implementation & Review</p> <p>Phase 3: Evaluation, Business Case & Publication</p>
Financial arrangements	<p>Total project costs £71,814</p> <p>The total maximum contribution expected from NHS Lothian is £31,328 in project resource.</p> <p>The total maximum monetary contribution expected from BMS is £40,486.</p>

Plans for publications

NHS Lothian will develop service specification SOPs and best practice exemplars, which can be shared across other Health Boards in Scotland, supporting national improvement.

Outcomes and key learnings will be published in peer-reviewed journals and presented at congresses, within 6 months of project completion.

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Summary of the roles and responsibilities of each party
The Healthcare Organisation & BMS

Role / Activity	Healthcare Organisation	BMS
Training of stakeholders on AEs & safety reporting		x
Conduct baseline audit of current HCM and LVOTO patient care. Develop triage framework and MDT stratification	x	
Recruitment, engagement, employment, training (save in respect of BMS product safety reporting) and supervision of non-BMS personnel involved in the project	x	
Set up a multidisciplinary, specialist pharmacy-led clinic ensuring compliance with applicable laws along with NHS policies and practices	x	
Data audit and presentation	x	
Act as Data controller	x	
Develop service specification SOPs	x	
Lead and organise regular touchpoints related to project objectives		x
Write up key learnings.	x	x
Prepare report and congress poster/presentation	x	

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