



**Health & Social Care
Integration Scheme for the
Scottish Borders –
Consultation Summary**

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1. Foreword

NHS Borders and Scottish Borders Council are preparing for the new Health and Social Care Partnership which is to go live in April 2015. The new partnership will see the NHS, Scottish Borders Council and voluntary and private care partners' work as one to deliver services which meet the needs of people living in the Borders. The focus will be to help all adults to live well in the community or at home for as long as possible. NHS Borders and Scottish Borders Council share equal responsibility for this work and will continue to engage with people across the Borders to inform and shape future service delivery.

Individuals and communities in the Scottish Borders have benefited from the integration of health and social care services already. A draft "Scheme of Integration" has been developed which outlines the proposed management and governance arrangements for the way in which NHS Borders and Scottish Borders Council will work together to deliver a new Health and Social Care Partnership for the Borders.

There has already been considerable local experience of developing and delivering integrated services in the Borders which has helped to produce our draft Integration Scheme. Over recent years we have also benefited from ongoing, positive discussions and interaction with a range of stakeholders. NHS Borders and Scottish Borders Council are committed to continuing that constructive engagement.

We are seeking your views on the draft Scheme of Integration. This is your opportunity to help shape the arrangements for managing and governing our Integrated Health & Social Care arrangements in the Borders.

We look forward to working with you to continually develop our joint services across the Scottish Borders.

Chief Executive, NHS Borders
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Chief Executive, Scottish Borders Council
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2. Background

The “Public Bodies (Joint Working) (Scotland) Act 2014” requires Health Boards and Local Authorities to integrate planning for, and delivery of, certain adult health and social care services. They can also choose to integrate planning and delivery of other services – this can be additional adult health and social care services beyond the minimum prescribed, and children’s health and social care services.

This Scottish Government Act requires that the Local Authority and the Health Board jointly prepare, consult and then agree an Integration Scheme for the Local Authority Area. This Integration Scheme is to set out how this joint working is to be achieved. Following consultation, the Integration Scheme is to be submitted to Scottish Government Ministers for final approval.

We would like your views please on the proposed Health & Social Care Integration Scheme for the Scottish Borders. The Integration Scheme is attached at the Appendices of this document from page (X).

We are inviting responses to this consultation between *(enter date)* and *(enter date)*. More information on how to respond can be found at the end of this document (X).

What is the “Scheme of Integration”?

This will be a Scottish Borders Partnership Agreement between NHS Borders and Scottish Borders Council. It will set out how we will work together to deliver a new Health and Social Care Partnership for the Borders.

3. Introduction

The Health Board and the Local Authority must undertake a joint consultation as part of the preparation of their Integration Scheme.

The Integration Scheme is to set out how the joint working between NHS Borders and Scottish Borders Council is to be achieved. There is a choice of how this can be done:

- The Health Board and Local Authority can delegate between each other, which is referred to as a “lead agency”.
- The Health Board and Local Authority can both delegate to a third body which will be an Integration Joint Board and this is referred to as a “body corporate” approach.

The draft Scottish Borders Integration Scheme has used the “body corporate” approach.

The main purpose of integration is to improve the wellbeing of people who use health and social care services, particularly those whose needs are complex and involve support from health and social care at the same time. Following the consultation and approval of the Integration Scheme, the Scottish Borders Integration Joint Board will produce a plan which will set out how the partnership will deliver the National Health & Wellbeing Outcomes. The full list of Outcomes are detailed within the Integration Scheme document which can be found at the Appendices of this document at page (X).



We aim to:

- **Help people to stay fit and healthy.**
- **Make sure that people’s care is better and more able to meet their needs.**
- **To provide care to people at home instead of in a Hospital or Care Home.**
- **For Health and Social Care Services to feel “joined up”.**

4. Health & Social Care Integration Scheme – what it includes.....

Here in the Borders we are going for a “body corporate” approach. This means the Council and the NHS will delegate responsibilities to a Health and Social Care Partnership through an Integration Joint Board, to provide joined up adult health and social care services.

4.1 What does the Integration Scheme include

We have summarised below what the Integration Scheme includes:

- **Local Governance Arrangements of the Integration Joint Board**
This refers to the processes of interaction and decision making of the Board.
- **Delegation of Functions to the Integration Joint Board**
This refers to the functions that are to be delegated by the Health Board and the Local Authority to the Integration Joint Board.
- **Local Operational Delivery Arrangements of the Integration Joint Board**
This refers to the arrangements that will be put in place to allow for the Board to deliver its delegated functions.
- **Clinical and Care Governance**
This refers to who will be responsible, and how, for an agreed clinical and care governance framework.
- **Chief Officer of the Integration Joint Board**
This refers to who the Chief Officer of the Board is accountable to.
- **The Workforce**
This refers to the arrangements for staff who work for NHS Borders and Scottish Borders Council under the new integration regulations.
- **Finance**
This refers to how the finances will be managed and how it will be decided what the budget is used for.
- **Participation and Engagement**
This refers to who NHS Borders and Scottish Borders Council must consult with on their Integration Scheme. A requirement of the Act is to have a local Engagement and Consultation Framework, which we already have.
- **Information sharing and data handling**
This refers to the confidentiality arrangements for sharing and handling patient information and data.
- **Complaints**
This refers to how the Partnership will deal with complaints from service users.
- **Claims Handling, Liability & Indemnity**
This refers to the arrangements for the Partnership to deal with claims.

➤ **Risk Management**

This refers to the process which the Partnership will follow in terms of managing any risks. There should be a shared “risk management strategy”.

➤ **Dealing with Disputes**

This refers to the process which NHS Borders and Scottish Borders Council must follow if they fail to agree with the other or the Integration Joint Board on any issues related to the Scheme.

Full details of the above are detailed within the Integration Scheme document which can be found at the Appendices of this document at page (X).

4.2 What services have to be integrated

We want to take this opportunity to make you aware of what services have to be integrated – which the Act tells us we must do.

Services currently provided by the Health Board which are to be integrated:

- Accident and Emergency services
- Inpatient hospital services relating to specific medical areas
- Palliative Care services provided in a hospital and outwith hospital
- Inpatient hospital services provided by GPs
- Services provided in a hospital for addiction or dependence on any substance
- Mental Health services provided in hospital and outwith hospital
- District Nursing services
- Services provided by Allied Health Professionals in an outpatient department, clinic, or outwith a hospital
- The public dental service
- Primary medical services provided under a general medical services contract
- General dental services
- Ophthalmic services
- Pharmaceutical services
- Services providing primary medical services during the out-of-hours period
- Services provided outwith a hospital in relation to geriatric medicine (services for older people)
- Community Learning Disability services
- Continence services provided outwith a hospital
- Kidney Dialysis services provided outwith a hospital
- Services provided by health professionals that aim to promote public health

Services currently provided by the Local Authority which are to be integrated:

- Social work services for adults and older people
- Services and support for adults with physical disabilities and learning disabilities
- Mental health services
- Drug and alcohol services
- Adult protection and domestic abuse
- Carers support services
- Community care assessment teams
- Support services
- Care home services

- Adult placement services
- Health improvement services
- Aspects of housing support, including aids and adaptations
- Day services
- Local area co-ordination
- Respite provision
- Occupational therapy services
- Re-ablement services, equipment and telecare

Full details of the above are detailed within the Integration Scheme document which can be found at the Appendices of this document at page (X).

5. How to give us your views

We want everyone in the Borders to be aware of the Integration of Health & Social Care in the Scottish Borders.

To give us your views, please complete the Feedback Form which you will find at the end of this document at page (X).

Length of consultation

The consultation runs from *(enter date)* to *(enter date)*.

How to comment

You can give us your feedback by completing the attached Feedback Form and sending to one of the Freepost addresses provided below. Alternatively, you can give us your views by completing the Electronic Feedback Form which you will find on the NHS Borders & Scottish Borders Council website.

Post: **Freepost RTHK-ZGZS-JTZC** ***(Add SBC Freepost address)***
 NHS Borders
 Education Centre
 Borders General Hospital
 MELROSE
 TD6 9BS

Electronic Feedback Form: ***(add link to survey-monkey)***

Please make sure that your comments reach us by no later than *(enter date)*.

How to contact us

If you have questions about this consultation please telephone (enter NHS Borders Planning & Performance tel number) or email planning&performance@borders.scot.nhs.uk or telephone (enter SBC tel number) or email integration@scotborders.gov.uk.

The next steps

Following the consultation we have to submit our draft Scheme of Integration to the Scottish Government Ministers by (enter date) for approval. Following approval the Health and Social Care Partnership is to go live in April 2015. The Integration Joint Board will produce a Strategic Plan to set out how we will deliver our joint services.

6. Appendices

This will include link to the main document – Integration Scheme

7. Health & Social Care Integration Scheme:

Questions – Feedback Form

Please tell us what you think of the Health & Social Care Integration Scheme for the Scottish Borders.

Please return this Feedback Form by *(enter date)* at the latest. If you are able to return your response earlier than this, please do so.

Question 1: *Integration Programme Board to suggest questions please*

Question 2:

Question 3:

How did you find out about this Consultation:
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Please return **by *(enter date)*** at the latest to:

Post: Freepost RTHK-ZGZS-JTZC *(Add SBC Freepost address)*
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Alternatively, please complete the Electronic Feedback Form which you will find on the NHS Borders & SBC websites: (add link to survey-monkey).

If you wish to let us know who you are (this is optional), please provide your name and address or email address:

Name (Title, first name, surname):
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Name of Organisation or Group (if applicable):.....

Postal Address, including post code:.....

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Email:

Thank you for taking the time to give us your views.