

# The Transformation of Diabetes Care in Barnsley

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# Clinical scenario



- Don, aged 66 yrs, accountant
- Type 2 diabetes for 2 years
- Non smoker, BP 130/70
- Unable to tolerate metformin
- Taking gliclazide 160mg bd, sitagliptin 100mg od, simvastatin 20mg nocte
- BMI 38 kg/m<sup>2</sup>, HbA1c 78 mmol/mol (9.3%)
- Referred to hospital. What next?

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  - Change DPP4i to GLP1RA. Refer to DSN
- Seen in Community DSN clinic after 6 weeks and started on liraglutide

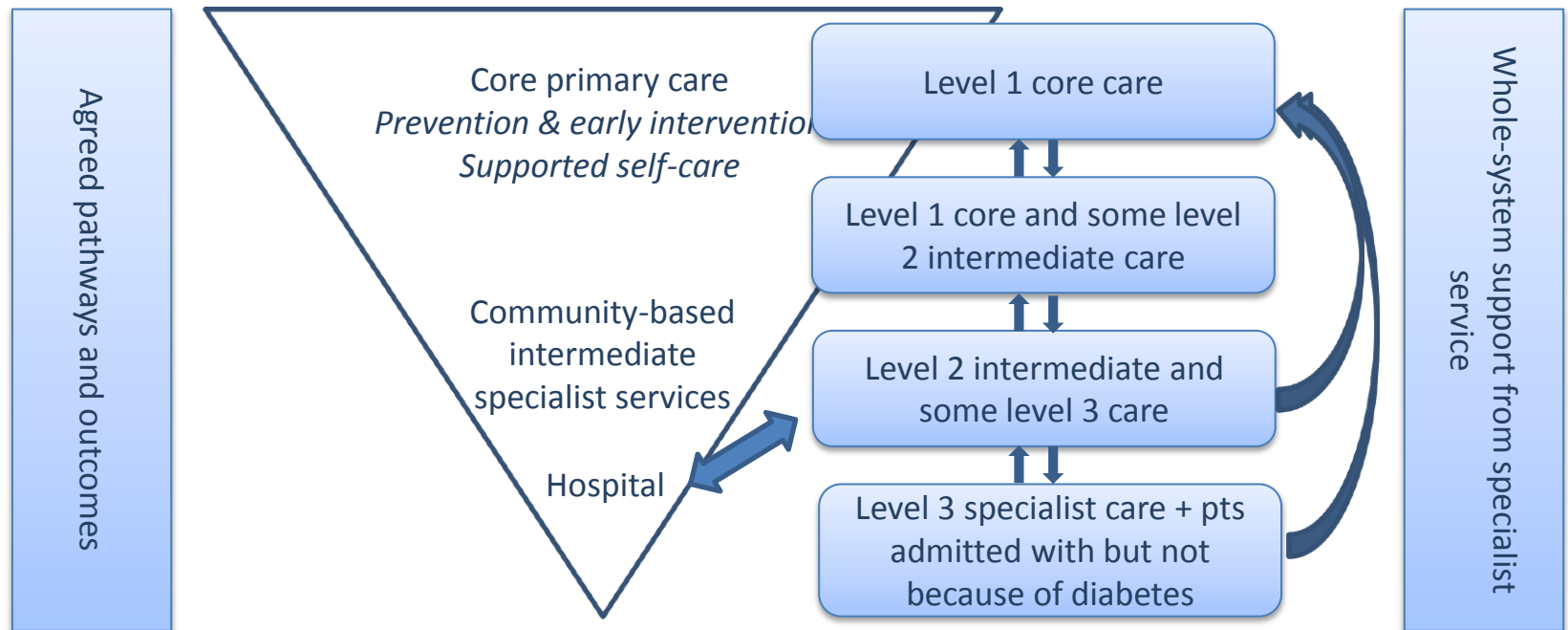
# Aim of transformation

To help Barnsley residents to manage their diabetes to the highest standards and in the most cost-effective way by giving them access to the most up-to-date knowledge, support and technology

# The drivers for change

- Barnsley local diabetes advisory group
  - Longstanding diabetes improvement plan
  - 2015 – six months' work, with NHS Barnsley CCG, on a new specification
- 2016 January: new specification approved by the Governing Body of the CCG
- Governance structure set up to implement the specification by March 2017

# Diabetes model of care



Strong clinical leadership

Education

Good communications and IT

System-wide clinical governance

# Improvements to the Service

## Responsiveness and ease of access

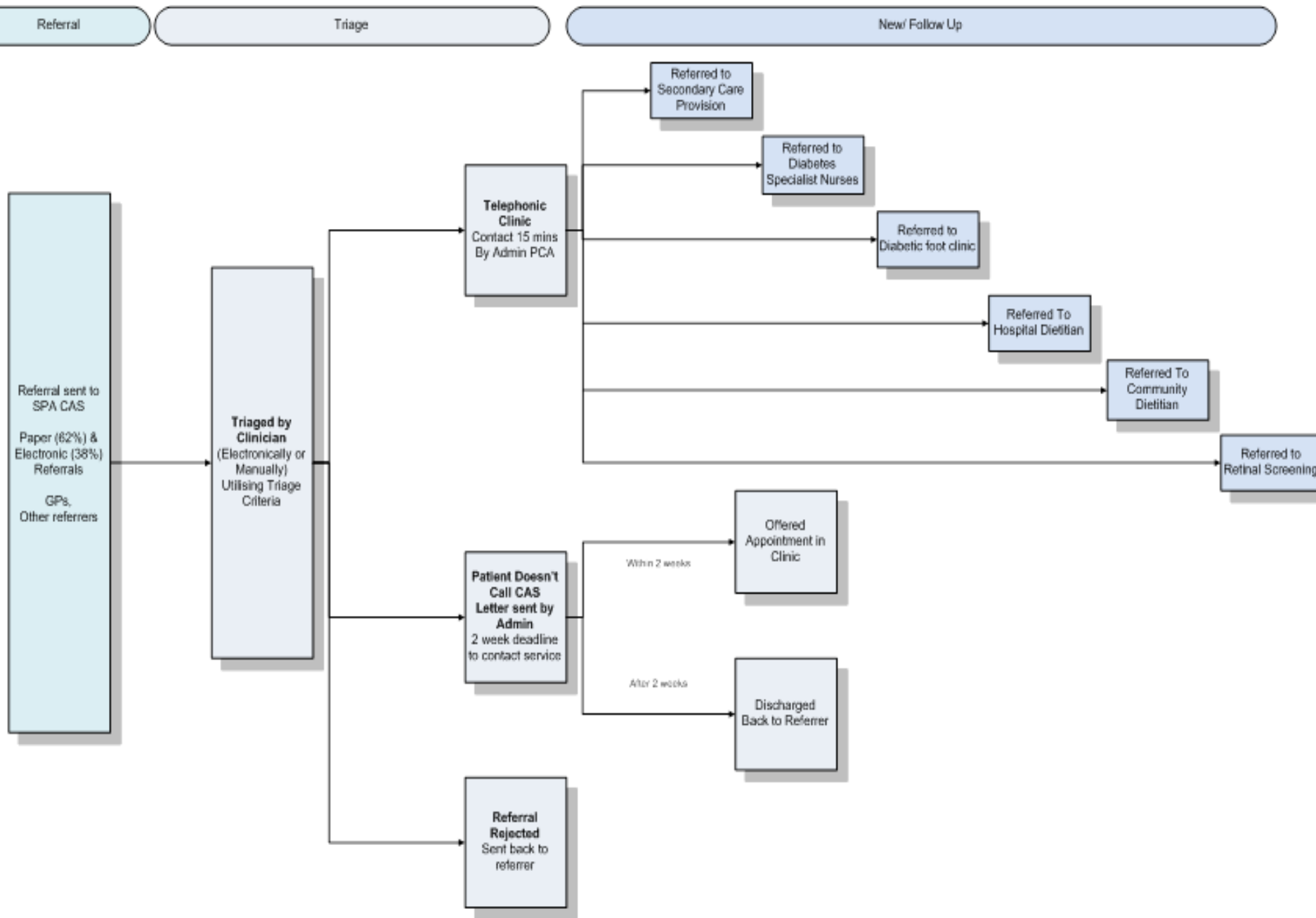
- Single point of access for all referrals (in place October).  
Triaged by DSN ± consultant to:
  - Rapid response via advice module on e-referral or by e-consult
  - DSN-led clinic
  - Tele-clinic (future)
  - Specialist clinic
  - New T2D referral for eye screening, education, dietician etc..
- Dedicated hospital numbers and email addresses for People with diabetes and health care professional contact
- Possible manned telephone advice line at nominated times

# Single Point of Access (SPA)

- In order to ensure that patients are seen by the most appropriate clinician/team within the MDT, a single point of access (SPA) for referrals is being developed.
- The SPA will collate and triage patient referrals based to agreed criteria and ensure that appointments are booked into the appropriate clinical service element.



# SPA - Process



# Improvements to the Service expected in place by March 2017

## Generic

- Guidelines and protocols in place
- Link with other units in South Yorkshire to provide type 1 DAFNE training
- Expand range and appeal of type 2 training programmes
- Business case for psychological support
- All members of specialist team from whatever provider to work as single team within MCP/ACO

# Improvements to the Service



## Specialist Care

- 'Super six' model – pumps, antenatal, feet, complex care, inpatients, transitional / adolescent
- DSN base in the hospital, with daily nurse-led clinics
- MDT working in all specialist areas – consultant + DSN + dietician ± podiatrist etc...
- Additional consultation time
- Structured discharge of patients not requiring specialist expertise
- Electronic data from blood glucose meters, pumps etc... available in all specialist clinics via Diasend

# Criteria for Complex Patients

- Type 1 Diabetes
- Foot Ulcer  
/Gangrene/Charcot
- Nephropathy
- Painful Neuropathy
- Autonomic  
Neuropathy
- Insulin Neuritis
- Pregnancy
- Type 2 ?MODY
- Refractory ↑BP
- Refractory Glycaemic  
Control
- New Drugs
- Insulin Pumps
- Obesity Surgery
- Familial / Difficult  
Hyperlipidaemia
- ED / Hypogonadism
- Secondary Diabetes
- Diabetes associated with  
PBC, Coeliac D

# Refractory Glycaemic Control and New drugs - Proposal

- Rapid Discharge Clinic
- One /Two Stop Glycaemic Clinic
- Already in place allowing patients early discharge then one review by hospital Consultant Endocrinologist and DSN
- Referral from GP or DSN
- Patients seen assessed decision made
- Then either referred back to GP and/or DSN
- Or a second appointment if

# Improvements to the Service



## Intermediate Care

- DSNs now working in all specialist services as part of the MDT approach
- Community clinics remodelled but retaining important existing features
- Community clinic focus on problem-solving – on the whole, up to 3-4 visits
- Designated DSN (and possibly consultant) for each neighbourhood
- Use of technology – Diasend, Skype

DSN= diabetes specialist nurse, MDT=multi-disciplinary team

# Improvements to the Service



## Primary Care

- Improved links with designated DSN ± consultant
- Rapid access to specialist advice
- If desired, regular support sessions with secondary care – you set the Agenda
- Periodic specialist community clinics – sites to be agreed

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- No need for specialist clinic appointment
- Possible
  - Rapid response via e-consultation to provide advice
  - Arrangements for appointment in DSN community clinic within 1-2 weeks for possible initiation of GLP1RA
  - Training of practice nurse by link DSN to initiate GLP1RAs

# How can you help

- Working with us developing pathways for discharge into community
- Undertaking Training Needs Analysis in practices to establish demand and support for Diabetes education for patients and for Practice staff.
- Testing out new ways of working e.g. specialist community clinics, linked DSN

Thank you

