

Working with the NHS Northwest Innovation Agency July 2022

At the July meeting of the Patient and Public involvement Senate, there was a presentation on Restore2 (<https://www.innovationagencynwc.nhs.uk/restore2-for-care-settings>)

This is a tool to be used in care homes to help staff to identify if someone's health is deteriorating or likely to do so. It then advises the staff or healthcare professional on the appropriate measures to be taken.

The tool can also provide a concise escalation history to a healthcare service to which the patient might need to be referred.

More details are available on the website via the link above.

The group then went on to review the Patient Information Leaflet for the Cytosponge™ diagnostic capsule discussed in June. The original leaflet was reviewed by group members between meetings, and this was a final discussion before publication of the document.

The Patient Safety Ambassadors met later in the month and were informed that the leaflet on Cytosponge™ had finally been accepted for use. Debbie Parkinson from the Innovation Agency reported that she had been invited to observe a patient being examined using the product and that the process ran smoothly.

The Agency is going to be conducting a survey with patients with COPD which will involve completing a questionnaire to ascertain if they have been placed on the local care pathway, and if so, if they felt it was successful in managing their condition. If anyone would like to participate in the survey, please contact me at wellbeing@aughton-ormskirk-u3a.co.uk

The group also made some input to the creation of teaching materials to be used by the Agency staff for training Heart Heroes to measure blood pressure out in the community.

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