

Reducing Levels of Orthopaedic Surgical Intervention Towards National Average by Optimising the Musculoskeletal (MSK) Pathway

The Opportunity

- The latest Right Care MSK data directs us to review a £5m orthopaedic expenditure variance in a selected range of interventions.
- Further work and benchmarking against the whole programme budget spend highlight a potential over investment in surgical interventions of over £10m
- The Opportunity for Shropshire is to improve patient outcomes from therapy interventions and significantly reduce expenditure

The Solution (1)

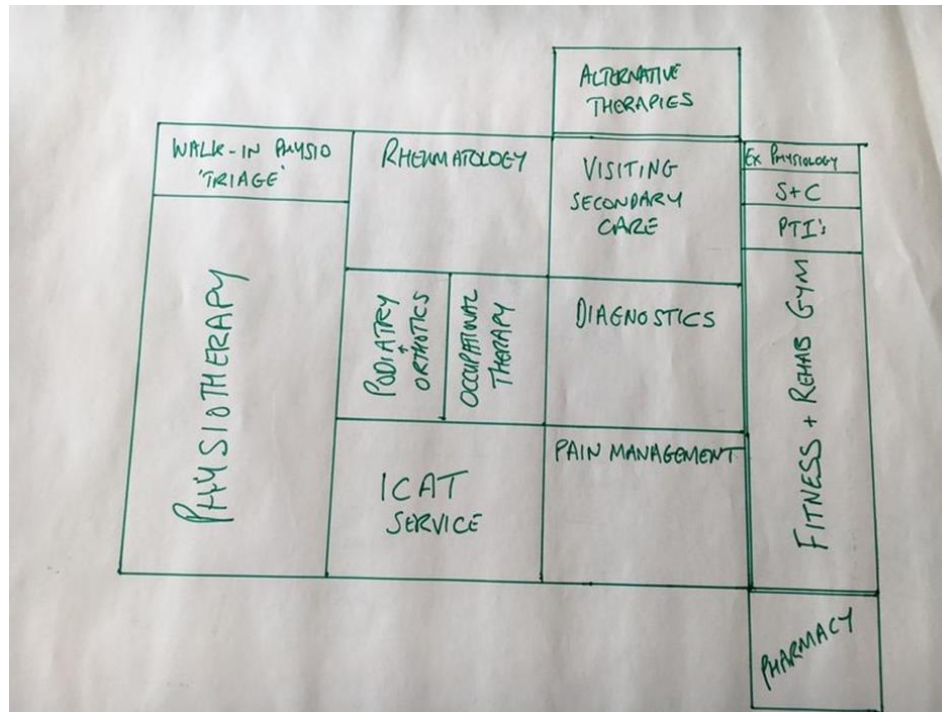
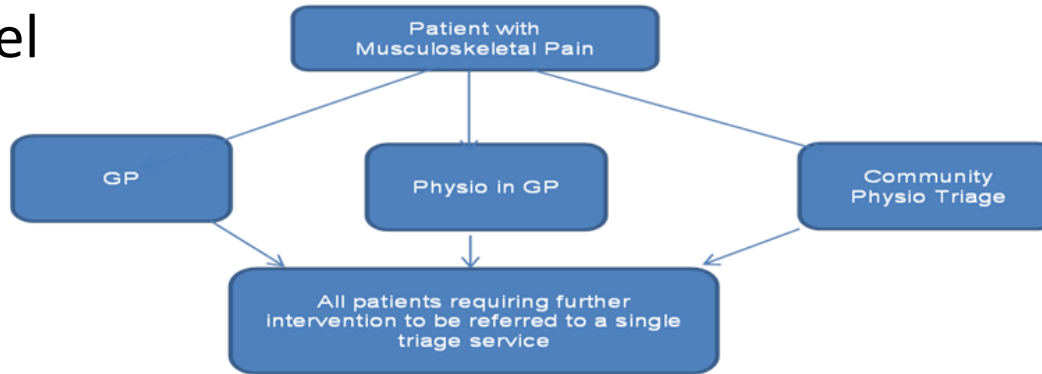
- Following input and insight from the Shropshire Health and Adult Social Care Scrutiny Committee and 6 helpful listening events with the public, and considerable clinical engagement a vision and model have been agreed:

Vision

“To commission an MSK service that can provide (and describe) the capacity to meet the needs of Shropshire’s patients, to deliver agreed clinical and functional outcomes within a defined budget; to innovate at pace in line with evidence and best practice and to make innovative use of technology”

The Solution (2)

The Model



Implementation

- Phase 1 – following Right Care best practice now, including Value Based Commissioning policy update, referral assessment, contractual prior approvals and County-wide MSK assessment and treatment service
- Phase 2 – Commissioning the new service
 - March Governing Body – to decide the mode of deliver:
 - Continuation and enhancement of phase on with a focus on reducing referrals from GPs to right size orthopaedic pathway spend
 - The selection of a system integrator who would manage surgical intervention rates by better sub-contracting all orthopaedic pathway services from existing providers
 - The selection of either a prime provider or Accountable Care Organisation responsible for the whole elective orthopaedic pathway
 - April Governing Body – to decide on provider selection process (if required)

Questions