

Appendix 2: COMMUNITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

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Aims and Objectives of Service / Document / Function		
<p>The Falls Prevention Programme aims to ensure that older people have been appropriately risk assessed for falling and offered an intervention which will improve their strength and balance to reduce the level of risk. The programme has been running as a pilot for 2 years. The extended programme builds on initial success and intensifies programme provision in areas of particular need</p>		
What is changing?		
<p>Where relevant, consider including: how the service/document/function will be implemented; what factors could contribute to or detract from this; how many people with protected characteristics are potentially impacted upon; who the main stakeholders are; and, details of any previous or planned consultation/engagement to inform the CIA.</p>		
<p>The programme is being extended and provision is being strengthened. Demographic characteristics of fallers have been assessed in the approach and offer of community interventions to ensure equitable access and provision of services.</p>		
Who is involved in this impact assessment?		
e.g. Council officers, partners, service users and community representatives.		
<p>Council Officers Cambridge and Peterborough Foundation Trust falls prevention project representatives</p>		

What will the impact be?

Tick to indicate if the expected impact on each of the following protected characteristics is positive, neutral or negative.

Impact	Positive	Neutral	Negative
Age	X		
Disability		X	
Gender reassignment		X	
Marriage and civil partnership		X	
Pregnancy and maternity		X	
Race		X	

Impact	Positive	Neutral	Negative
Religion or belief		X	
Sex		X	
Sexual orientation		X	
The following additional characteristics can be significant in areas of Cambridgeshire.			
Rural isolation			X
Deprivation	X		

For each of the above characteristics where there is a positive, negative and / or neutral impact, please provide details, including evidence for this view. Consider whether the impact could be disproportionate on any particular protected characteristic. Describe the actions that will be taken to mitigate any negative impacts and how the actions are to be recorded and monitored. Describe any issues that may need to be addressed or opportunities that may arise.

Positive Impact

Age: Falls resulting in hospital admission are more likely in populations over 65 than younger age groups. The individual initiatives within the falls prevention programme will therefore particularly target older age groups.
Deprivation: Falls have been correlated with areas of deprivation. Therefore a particular aspect of the extended programme is to strengthen provision in a particular locality of need, this will be chosen according to rates of falls, project feasibility and level of deprivation.

Negative Impact

Rurality: Assessing the risk of falls and providing advice will not be affected by rurality. The programme will continue to encourage community groups and charities to run quality assessed classes across the County. However the full programme incorporating the Risk Assessment and Housing Adaptations is only being run in a particular locality in order to demonstrate effectiveness. The lessons learnt will be used in formulating an appropriate County wide service design should the evaluation prove successful and future resources are available. Rurality and geographical distribution of the programme will continued to be monitored.

Neutral Impact

The Falls Programme proposal has been formulated to promote equalities whilst taking into account patient's needs and preferences. The new proposals cover all people identified by a clinician as being at risk of falling irrespective of gender, ethnicity, disability, religion or beliefs, sexual orientation and gender identity or socio-economic status. The body of evidence for falls programmes and protected characteristics does not give conclusive proof of the need for specific programmes. However the implementation and follow up of the programme will capture these characteristics and ensure appropriate representation.

Issues or Opportunities that may need to be addressed

To ensure rural areas are adequately covered in the continuation of the programme
To ensure areas of deprivation (and high incidence of falls) are adequately covered in the continuation of the programme

Community Cohesion

If it is relevant to your area you should also consider the impact on community cohesion.

The programme recognises the capability and opportunity for community groups to adequately provide falls prevention activities. The programme specifically resources a coordinator to facilitate such provision. The community provision will integrate alongside the development of the Think Communities programme across Cambridgeshire and Peterborough, and the development of the integrated workstreams behind the newly forming Primary Care Networks.

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