

Title/Subject: Delayed Discharge
Meeting: Integration Joint Board
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Action: For Noting

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 The purpose of this paper is to update Integration Joint Board members on progress with meeting the national target that no-one who is ready for discharge should be delayed by more than 2 weeks.

2. RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 The Integration Joint Board is asked to note current performance.

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 As of 15th February census date, there were 23 people delayed in their discharge, 14 of whom were delayed for more than 2 weeks. These relate to delays which count towards the national, published delayed discharge target (standard delays).
- 3.2 Trend analysis from April 2015 shows a continuing improvement in the overall performance, over recent months. When compared with the census figures for January 2015, an improved performance can also be seen.

Table 1 (excluding Code 9 & Code 100)

	Apr 15	May 15	Jun15	Jul 15	Aug 15	Sept 15	Oct 15	Nov 15	Dec 15	Jan 16	Feb 16
Total delays at census point	6	19	24	23	25	36	23	37	35	27	23
Total number of delays over 2 weeks	1	9	11	11	16	25	19	20	24	20	14

- 3.3 Table 2 shows the total picture of delays in Falkirk Partnership across all categories expressed as occupied bed days. These figures are for full months to the end of January.

Table 2 total occupied bed days

	September	October	November	December	January	Equivalent Beds (January)
Standard Delays	1097	802	1001	1085	926	30
Complex Delays/ Guardianships (Code 9)	268	248	231	248	236	8
Code 100 Delays	210	248	279	279	248	8

- 3.4 **Table 3** shows the **weekly** position for the four weeks in February.

Table 3

	Total Delays (excl. Code 9)	Delays Over 2 Weeks	Delays Under 2 Weeks	Longest Wait (days)	Code 9 (Only guardianship 51x)	Total (Standard + Code 9,51x)
4 th Feb	29	18	11	87	6	37
11 th Feb	28	18	10	94	6	36
18 th Feb	25	15	10	85	6	33
25 th Feb	25	13	12	72	7	34

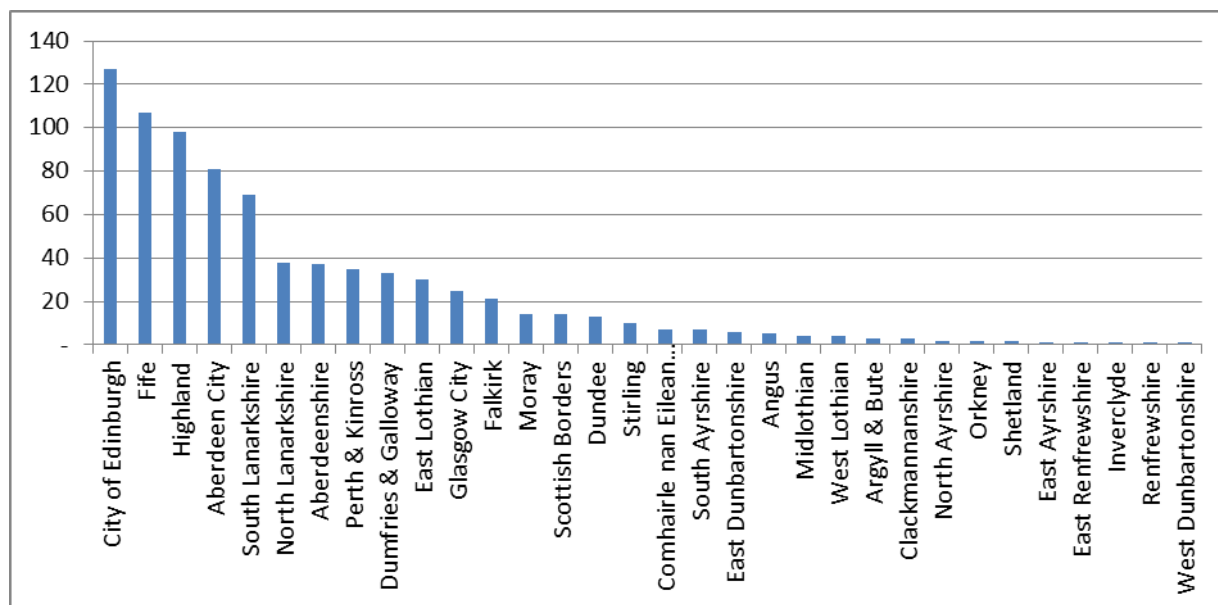
- 3.5 The availability of care homes in Falkirk to support patient's first choice remains limited with ongoing use of Policy on Choice and offer interim places for some patients. Although improving the number and length of delays continues to be challenging with 7 patients delayed for more than 4 weeks and 6 delayed for more than 6 weeks as at 3rd March 2016.
- 3.6 The discharge of 4 patients is currently been taken forward under the policy on choice.

4. NATIONAL COMPARISONS

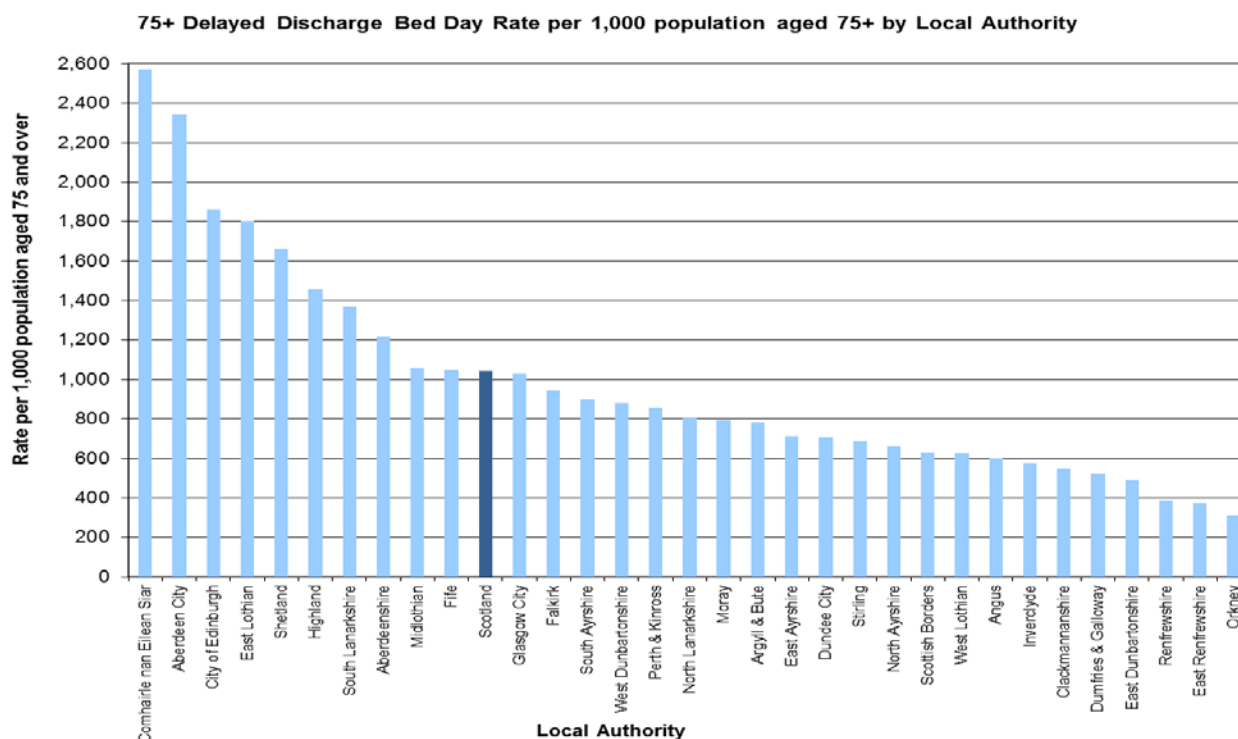
- 4.1 The following tables show the Falkirk performance alongside other local authority areas in Scotland.

In terms of the performance of the Falkirk partnership this is set against a range of key national performance indicators. The graphs outlined below provide a comparison of performance relating to the total number of delays over 3 days and the annualised rate of bed days lost as a rate per 1,000 over 75 population, broken down by each Local Authority area.

The majority of delays of delays more than 3 days (59.7%) are attributable to five partnership areas.



The annualised rate of bed days lost as a rate per 1,000 over 75 population, broken down by local authority area.



5. PROGRESS WITH ACTIONS

- 5.1 Work is ongoing to progress the actions included in the Delayed Discharge Action Plan which was considered by Board members at the February meeting. Action Plan progress updates will be provided on a quarterly basis to the IJB, however progress of note since the last meeting includes the ongoing implementation of Closer to Home (including Alfie); the establishment of a planning group to take toward AW1/Power of Attorney campaign and ongoing work to analyse key points in the patient pathway.

6. CONCLUSIONS

- 6.1 The delayed discharge position has seen continued improvement in the last month although significant challenges remain to sustain improvement in the medium and longer term..
- 6.2 There are no additional resource implications arising from this report.
- 6.3 This report identifies the current position in relation to the National Target for Delayed Discharges.
- 6.4 There are no additional Legal and Risk implications associated with this report.
- 6.5 No additional consultation has been undertaken for the purpose of this report and no equalities implications have been identified.

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