
Healthcare System Control Centres Are Now Live across England to Help Manage Emerging Challenges



NHS delivers more than 40 healthcare traffic control centres across England, in hopes of using the data to help move patients into beds as quickly as possible.

As part of the NHS's wider winter plan, each of the 42 integrated care systems work 24/7, where teams, including senior clinicians, use data and local insights to respond to emerging challenges. For instance, they can divert ambulances to nearby hospitals with more capacity, or identify hospitals that require extra assistance.

In addition to this, staff will be able to monitor a range of data, including A&E performance and waiting times, staffing levels, ambulance response times and bed occupancy.

Professor Sir Stephen Powis, NHS national medical director, said: "These locally delivered control centres are just one part of our wide-ranging preparations for winter but will play a vital role in the sharing and use of vital information to drive smarter decision-making by local NHS teams".

Recent data reflected the immense pressure staff are facing, with 10 times more flu cases in hospital than last year. Therefore, it is vital for the NHS to introduce these control centres to ensure patients get access to care and treatment as quickly as possible. By quickly responding to insights, NHS can focus emergency support where it is most required.

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