



# Project Summary

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<b>Project Name</b>	Hospital at Home – Model of Service Delivery	<b>Author</b>	Gail Woodcock
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## 1 Summary of Project

The purpose of this project is to provide “a service that provides **active treatment by health care professionals, in the patient’s home, of a condition that would otherwise require acute hospital in-patient care, always for a limited period**” (Cochrane 2015).

The service will be provided for Aberdeen City residents presenting with frailty syndromes. These syndromes include falls, delirium, immobility and functional decline. (Excluding conditions that require access to specific hospital based services such as stroke, chest pain, DVT, surgical or orthopaedic problems; and stand alone interventions that are effectively provided by existing services.)

The Hospital at Home Service will provide an alternative to admission to acute care and support early discharges for patients who can recover from an acute episode at home, rather than remain in hospital.

## 2 Anticipated Benefits

- Reduction in hospital admissions (and resultant financial savings)
- Reduction in delayed discharges
- Reduced risk of acquired infection and other complications such as loss of confidence, function and social networks that are associated with prolonged hospital stays (particularly for the frail elderly and those with long term conditions)
- Better quality of care for same or reduced cost to more traditional approaches.
- Reduced length of hospital stays.
- Improved experiences and outcomes for people receiving care.
- Improved staff satisfaction

Note: these anticipated benefits will be measured, via appropriate indicators, during the project period.

## 3 Financial Implications

<b>Expenditure</b>	<b>Full year costs</b>	<b>On-going full year costs</b>
<b>Staffing Resources</b>	£590,000	£590,000
<b>Travel, Accommodation, Supplies &amp; Services</b>	£136,000	£136,000
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>£726,000</b>	<b>£726,000</b>
<b>One off set up cost (IT Equipment etc.)</b>	£41,000	



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Total	£767,000	£726,000
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Note: Actual expenditure in 2017/18 will be linked to recruitment timescales.

On-going costs may vary as service is reviewed and refined and any efficiencies identified and realised.

Existing business as usual resources (staffing of £288,000 will also form part of the service)

#### 4 Exit Strategy

Following one full year of operation, the difference in a range of appropriate indicators will be measured to identify whether the anticipated benefits are being achieved. This information will inform the development of the longer term business case.

The project will also be implemented using an agile approach which will allow improvements to be made on an ongoing basis as the project is implemented.