

The Royal Bournemouth and Christchurch NHS Trust and Pierre Fabre Ltd Joint Working Project –

Enhancing quality of care in patients with advanced breast cancer (ABC)

Executive Summary

The Royal Bournemouth and Christchurch (RB&C) NHS Trust and Pierre Fabre Ltd are undertaking Joint Working with the aim of delivering an enhanced quality of care in patients with advanced breast cancer (ABC). This involves pooling of resource, skill and experience to enable delivery of care within local guidelines.

The aim of this project is to demonstrate the practicality of providing patient care at home by the use of a Point of care (POC) WBC (white blood cell) measuring device. Advances in point-of-care testing now give the opportunity for WBCs to be measured in or near the patient’s home with an immediate result. This information received from the POC device, combined with patient recorded outcomes presented in an integrated form will be delivered to Healthcare professionals (HCPs) to guide decision making. This should enhance patient care and extend to the home environment with more responsive and immediate decision making and a more “patient centred” approach. The outcomes will be to provide both patient and HCP experience in this setting together with economic assessment of telemedicine. RB&C NHS Trust will deliver patient education in how the POC device will be used for their benefit, this will be followed by an audit, measuring patient and HCP experience will also delivered by RB&C NHS Trust. Pierre-Fabre Ltd will track progress in conjunction with RB&C NHS Trust. Overall Project delivery will be overseen by a Project Manager.

Intended Benefits

For the Patient	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• To improve current service experience• To increase contact and communication with healthcare team through use of technology• To offer greater flexibility in the delivery of monitoring for patients through POC WBC• Better patient understanding of their illness and proactivity in seeking further information• Improved patient compliance with their prescribed therapy
For the NHS	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• To enhance quality of care being offered to patients• To demonstrate the practicality of prescribing by POC. WBC testing.• To reduce capacity, save resources and impact NHS budget positively through delivery of this mobile service• In line with the Government initiative of moving healthcare closer to Home and the national initiatives, Five Year Forward and New Models of Care Programme.
For Pierre-Fabre	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• To partner with the NHS on the production of a digital healthcare platform to support patients receiving oral vinorelbine• To optimise use of medicines in appropriate patients, which would include, but would not be limited to, Pierre Fabre medicines – a purely clinical decision which should mean better proactive treatment.

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