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## Health & Care Start-ups



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### Design Methods for Health & Care



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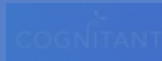


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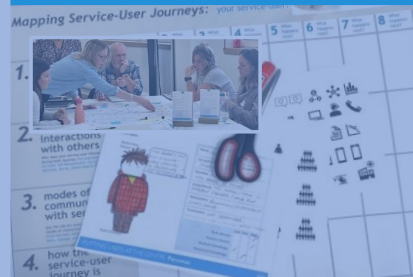
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Systemic Health Innovation Future Transformation

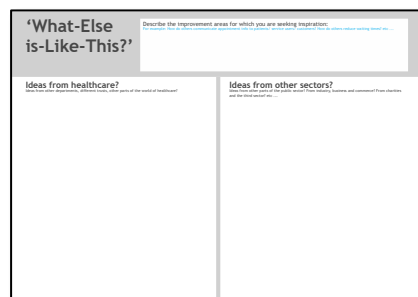
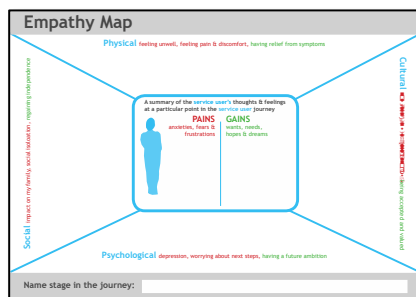
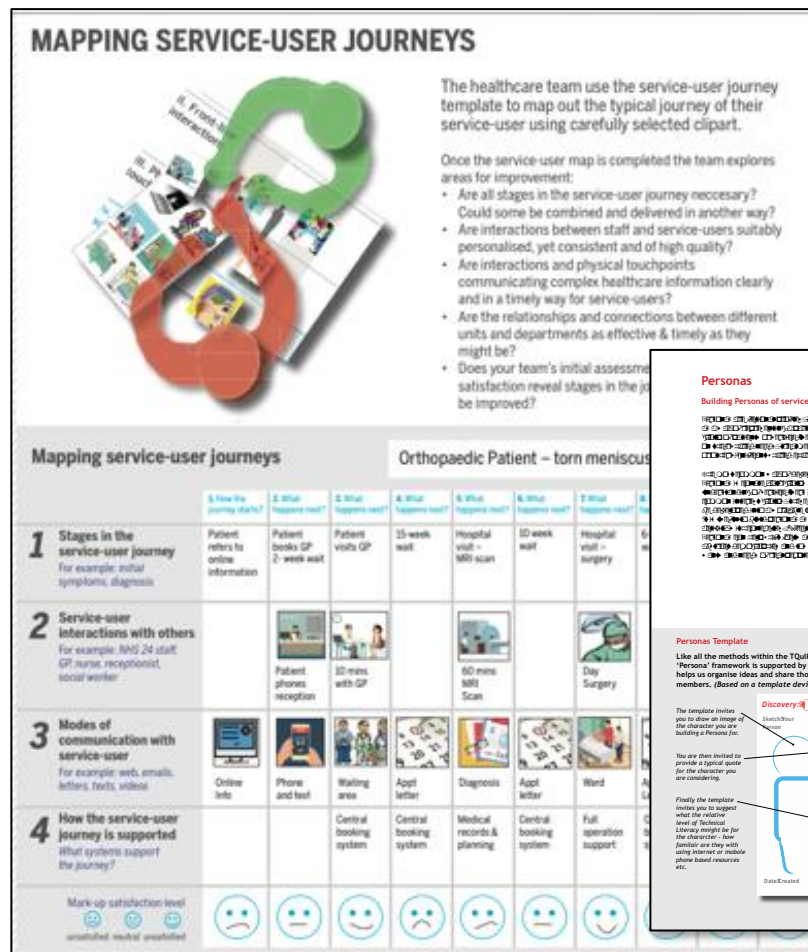


### DesignHOPES



# DESIGN METHODS

## For health & care QI teams





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Inns, T.G. & Mountain, R.

Design Management Review, DMI, 2020

### FEATURE DESIGNING 'REALISTIC' HEALTHCARE IMPROVEMENT

#### Notes

1. The Scottish Government:  
"Realistic Medicine: Chief Medical  
Officer for Scotland's Annual  
Report 2018-19" (2019). Available  
at [https://www.gov.scot/  
resources/0049/00490202.pdf](https://www.gov.scot/resources/0049/00490202.pdf)

## Designing 'Realistic' Healthcare Improvement

A Scottish Chief Medical Officer (CMO) is appointed to a non-political role in the Government's Civil Service and is tasked with setting the vision for improving the health of Scotland. In 2015 the CMO, Catherine Calderwood, published a groundbreaking national report called *Realistic Medicine* (The Scottish Government, 2014-15). The report was framed as a challenge to her medical colleagues to pause, reflect, and completely rethink their style, culture, and practice of healthcare.

The report was framed around six key challenges, visualized in the *Realistic Medicine* infographic (Figure 1). These challenged medical practitioners to improve patient care through the development of a more personalized approach, one in which the patient is placed at the center of a shared decision-making process. It challenged practitioners to reduce waste and unwanted variation in practice while acknowledging and managing the inherent risks associated with care delivery. It called for more focus to be placed on outcomes that matter most to individual patients. The report also championed innovation and idea generation from frontline staff to support organizational quality improvement. The Scottish CMO's vision was that, by 2015, everyone providing healthcare in Scotland would practice according to the approaches, behaviors and attitudes of *Realistic Medicine*.

Since its launch, the philosophy of *Realistic Medicine* has captured the imagination of many clinicians, nurses, allied health professionals, and patients. The six key *Realistic Medicine* themes have become a framework and nationally recognized starting point for *Realistic Medicine* champions to initiate new conversations, debate, interdisciplinary practice, and healthcare research in Scotland. The reason why *Realistic Medicine* has resonated so well with clinicians, patients, and caregivers is simple: it challenges why we care and how we should care; it challenges society to completely rethink the services we could provide as part of future-facing health and social care service; it challenges care culture, care mindsets, and the politics of care. *Realistic Medicine* asks that both clinicians and patients pause, reflect,

#### The Realistic Medicine agenda

Although the UK's National Health Service (NHS) has universal standards of delivery, in Scotland the control of the healthcare budget and strategic direction are delegated to the Scottish Government.

FIGURE 1  
Infographic visualizing  
the six key challenges  
associated with the delivery  
of *Realistic Medicine*.

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### FEATURE DESIGNING 'REALISTIC' HEALTHCARE IMPROVEMENT

#### Stages of quality improvement



Leadership, project planning & management, communication, measurement & design thinking



- The TQUP book helps us: explore drivers of change, service-user needs, generate & evaluate ideas, measure, analyse & test & capture outcomes.
- The TQUP programme develops & delivers improvements whilst equipping teams with the skills & tools which support ongoing collaboration & improvement activity.



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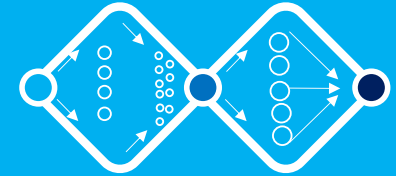
## Course Aims

Build understanding of how design thinking can bring leverage to health & care improvements by:

- Enhancing creativity and innovation.
- Putting the service-user at the centre.
- Encouraging teams to take a step back.
- Bringing structure to thinking.
- Facilitating collaboration across silos.

Learn how to apply a range of design methods into improvement projects, with a focus on:

- Supporting project discussions in both face-to-face and online environments using design methods templates.
- Using design methods as part of a process of problem solving and solution development.



## Content

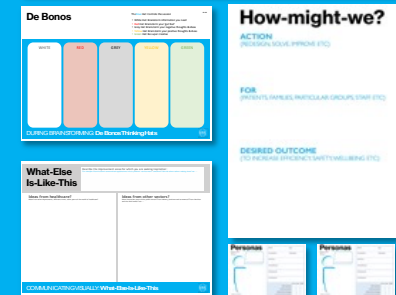
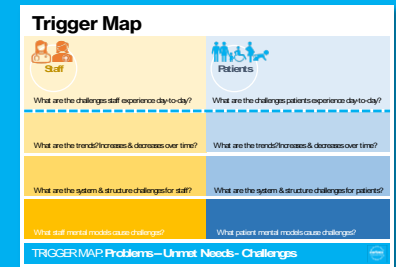
- How design thinking supports innovation.
- Principles of design methods.
- Identifying challenges & unmet needs in health and care.

- Capturing insights **Trigger Maps**
- 'How-Might-We' Statements
- Enhancing **Brainstorming**
- Using **De Bonos's 6 thinking hats**
- Exploring solutions: **What-Else-Is-Like-This**
- The user perspective **Personas**
- Understanding needs **Empathy Maps**
- **Service-User Journey Maps**

- How to enable your team through face-to-face & online facilitation

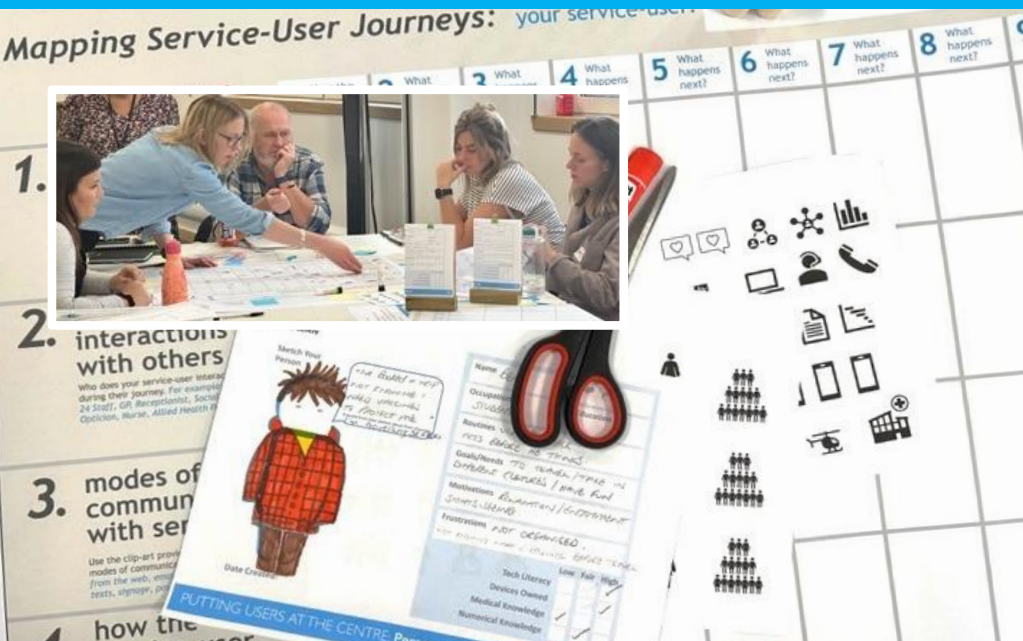
## Facilitation

Design methods training is facilitated by Professor Tom Inns. Tom studied at the University of Bristol & the Royal College of Art and has a PhD exploring the impact of design thinking on organisational innovation capability. He is Director of cofink Ltd. and is a Visiting Professor at the University of Strathclyde. Tom has run Design Methods training for SEHSCT, Northern Ireland, NHS Tayside & NHS Lothian and Universitetssykehuset Nord-Norge.



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# PATIENT ECOSYSTEM MAPPING

## The importance of systems awareness

### NOTES:

**Level 1** = How a majority of healthcare improvement is currently delivered

**Level 2** = Improvement activity that understands system consequences

**Level 3** = A high impact approach for cross-system improvement

**Level 4** = A speculative position which can help guide **Level 3**

### Based on concepts from

Mieke van der Bijl-Brouwer [Medium 2023]

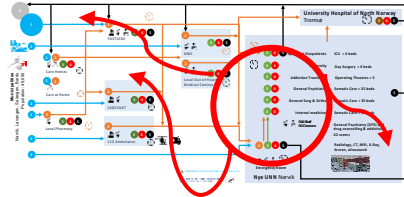
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# 95%?



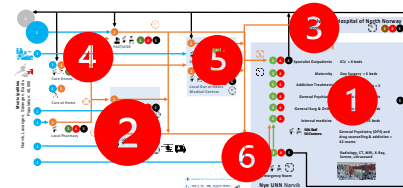
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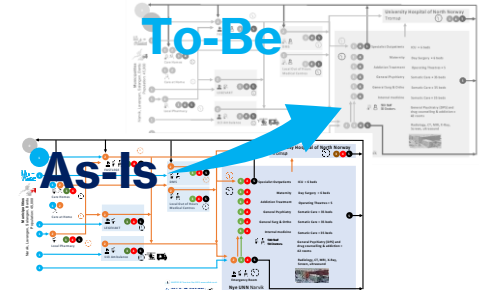
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**Level 3**



High-level speculation and modelling of **system redesign**

**Level 4**

**Increasing impact & collaboration**

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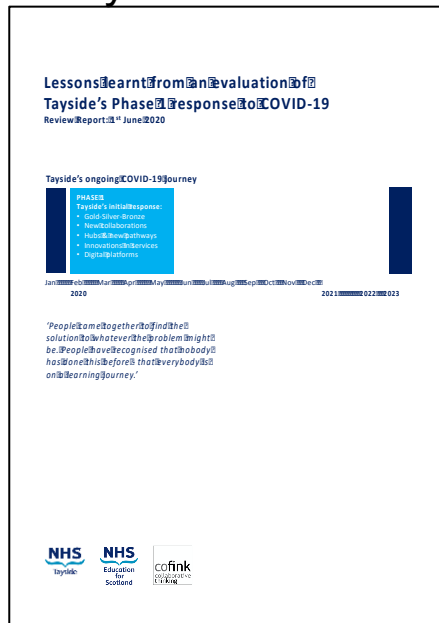
## Background: lessons from COVID

March 2020 – August 2020

Lessons learnt in real-time whilst responding to COVID

- Empower your teams
- Work across silos
- Develop shared aims, innovate across the system

Shobhan Thakore, **NHS Tayside**  
Laura Allison, **NES**  
Tom Inns, **Cofink**



*'At the highest level we need to get a single view of the ecosystem to understand the status of risks, change drivers and innovations'*



# PATIENT ECOSYSTEM MAPPING

## UKRI research grant Transport Maps?



November 2020 – April 2022



Geographically correct



Stylised (but clear)



Individual Line



Harry Beck



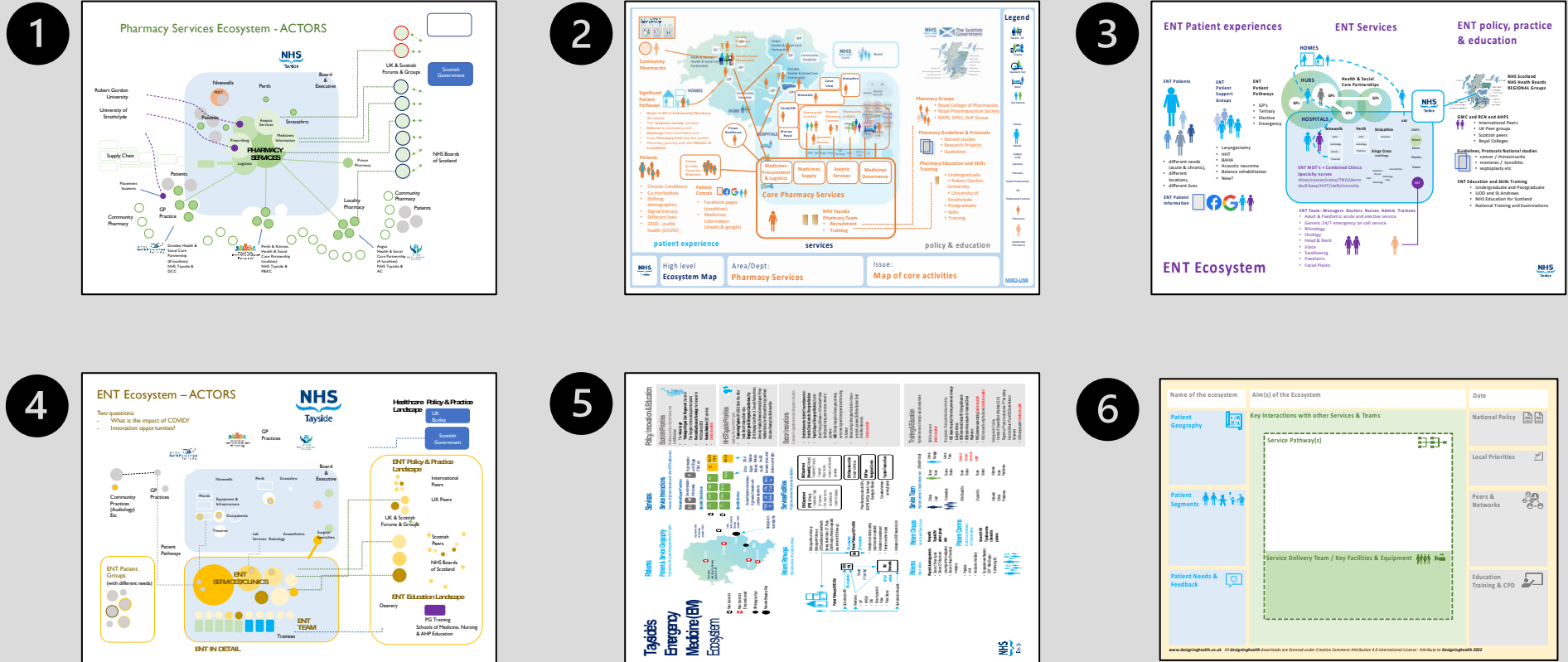
The bigger system

# PATIENT ECOSYSTEM MAPPING

## Development

An iterative development process working with health & care teams

- ENT & Emergency Medicine (Tayside)
- Pharmacy Services (Tayside)
- Oncology Services (Tayside)
- Care Homes & NHS Services (Tayside)
- Viral & Non-Viral Pathways (Tayside)



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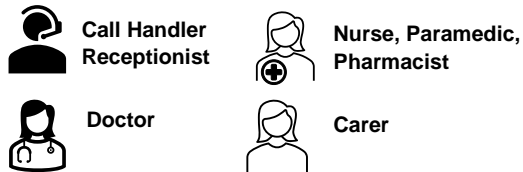
## Mapping Protocols

A high-level visual representation of a system of healthcare that shows.

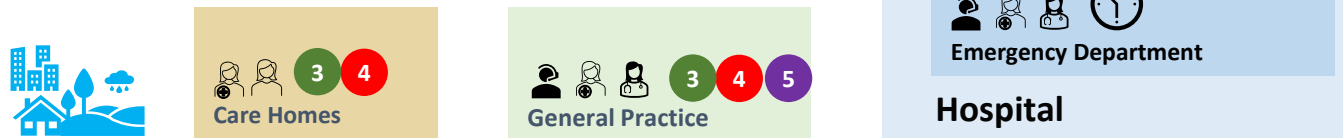
- Stages in the patient journey:



- Who the patient interacts with:



- Where interactions take place:



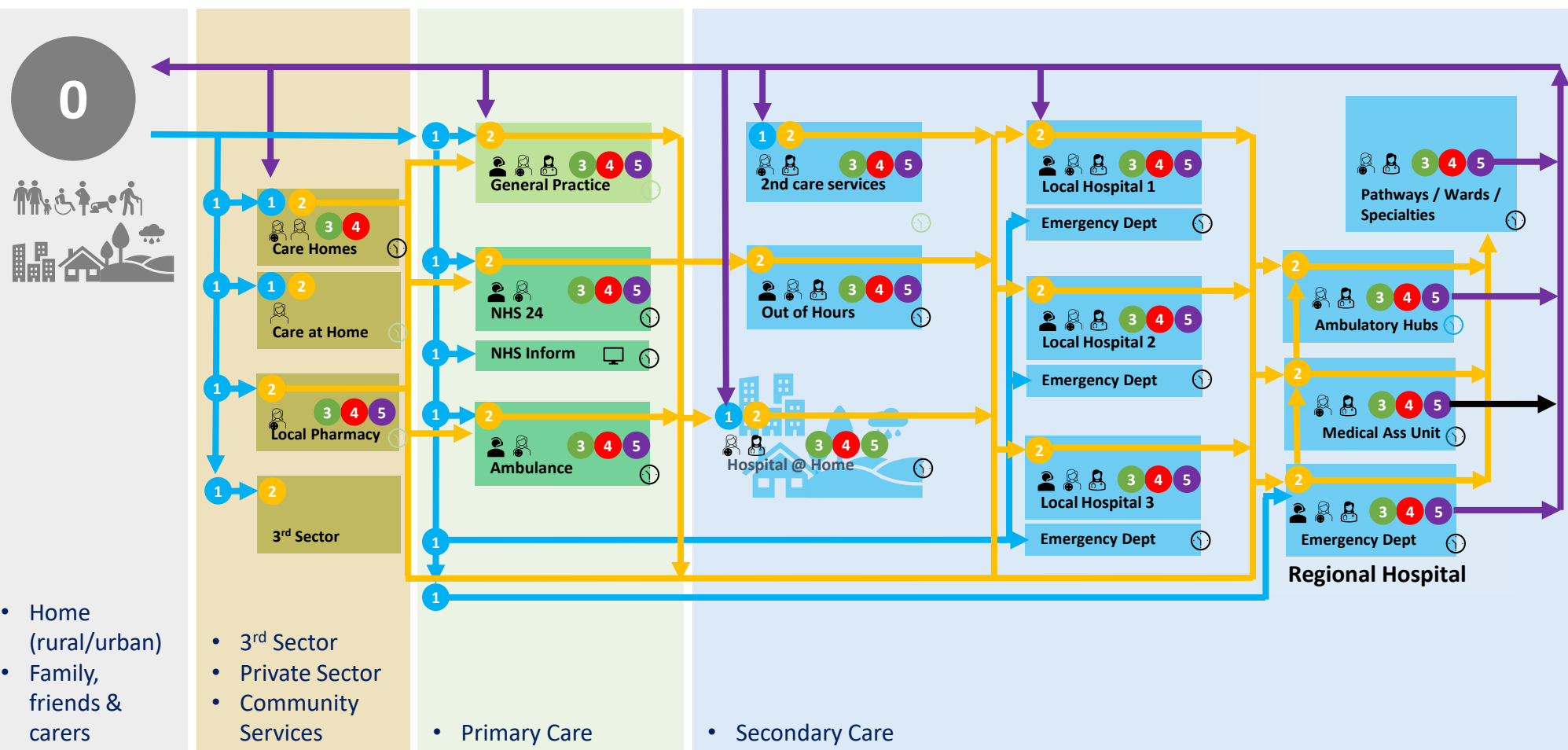
Home – Care Home – General Practice – Hospital etc

- Connections between health and care pathways experienced by patients



# PATIENT ECOSYSTEM MAPPING

## Baseline Map (Generic NHS)





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## 1. Define Scope

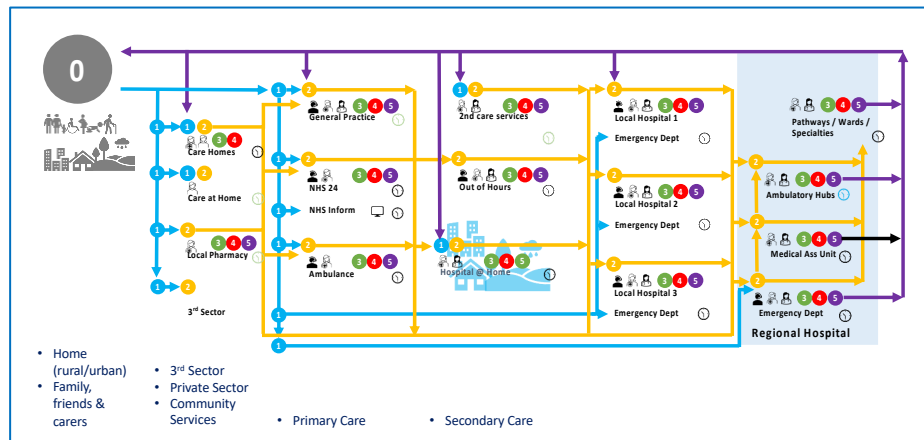
Decide scope of the map by establishing:

- Geography: Region, trust/board, community or specific locality.
- Patient / User Groups: All patients / users or specific demographic or conditions.
- Pathways: All pathways or emergency-urgent-elective pathways, specialist pathways, in-hours, out-of-hours etc.

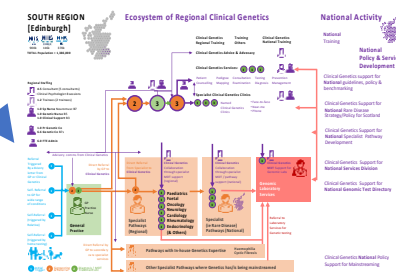
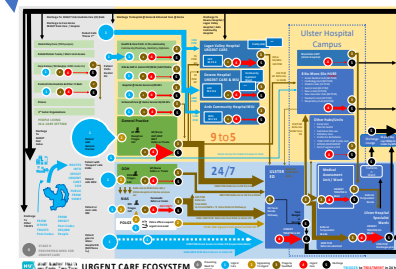
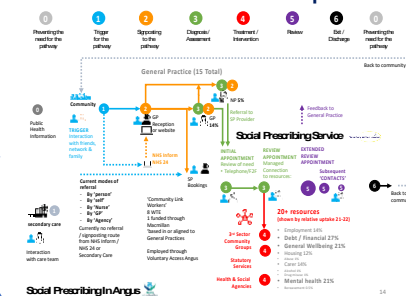
## 2. Co-create Map

- Identify key ecosystem stakeholders.
- Decide how mapping is to be choreographed (face-to-face or online).
- Build the map iteratively, through collaborative workshops using icons and colour coded arrows.
- Mark-up using local pathway and service vocabulary & local data.

## Start with 'Generic' Map.



Customise as required ....



## Face-to-Face MIRO



## TEAMs supported by

# PATIENT ECOSYSTEM MAPPING

## STEP 2: Exploring challenges & needs

### 1. Invite service-users to talk through their own journeys

Mark up:

- What was challenging
- What worked well
- Patient / service-user ideas for ecosystem improvement.

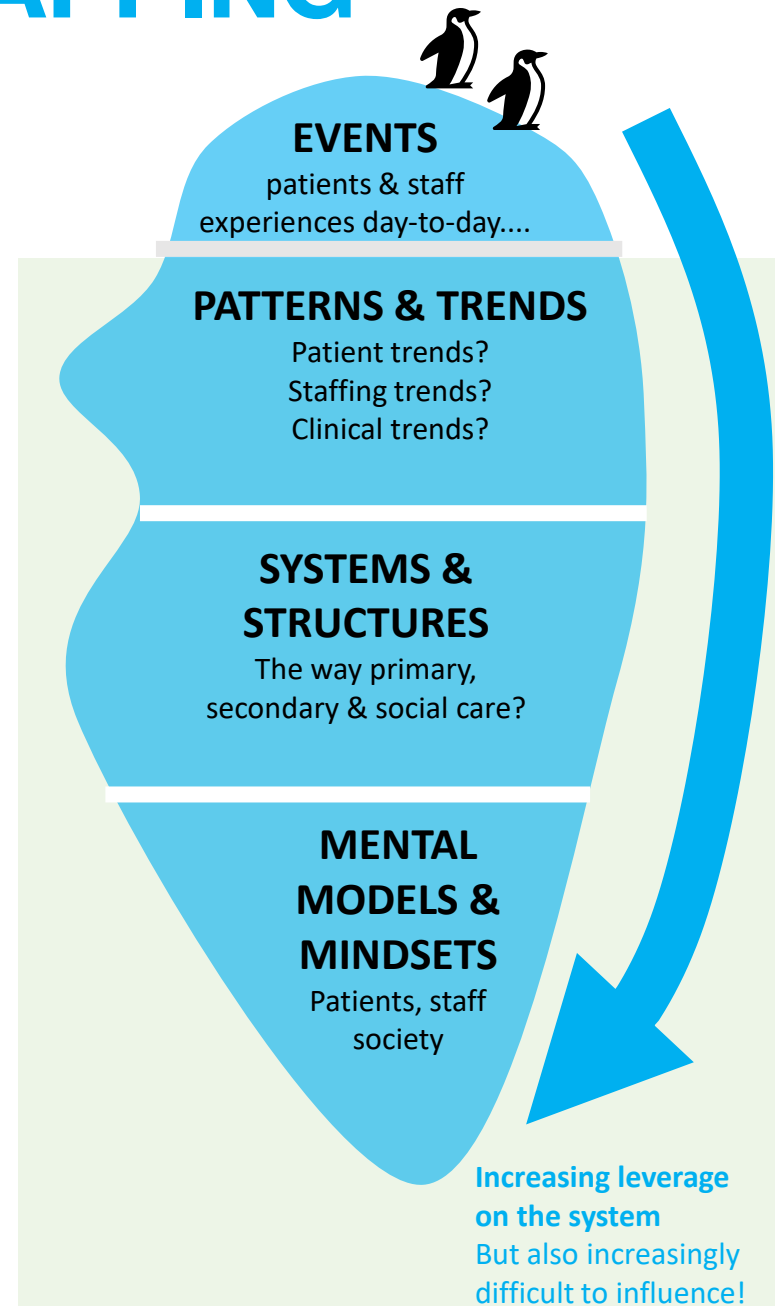
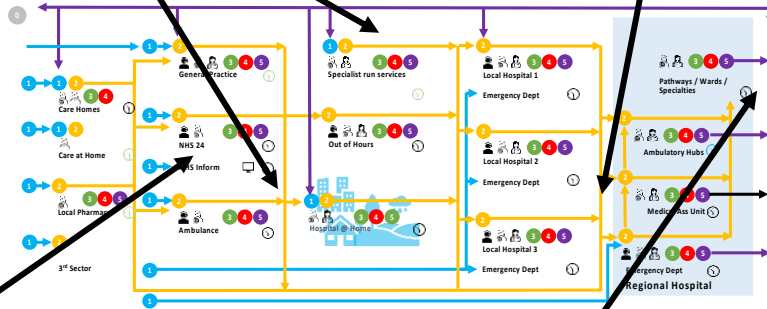


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## STEP 2: Exploring challenges & needs

### 2. Use iceberg-model to identify:

- Observable **day-to-day challenges**.
- **Trends (with data)** that are having impact over time.
- The **structures, systems** & interfaces that create disruption.
- The **mental models, mindsets** and policy decisions that influence behaviours.



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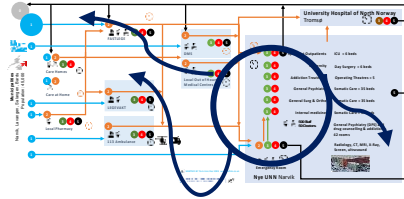
## STEP 3: Planning & delivering system-shift

Identify Multiple Improvement Projects Record as:  
**How-might-we** statements?

- Take an action (redesign, improve, reduce)
- For (Patients, staff, demographic group)
- Desired Outcome (to enhance equity etc)

What are the selection criteria?

What are weightings?

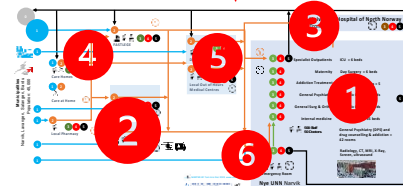


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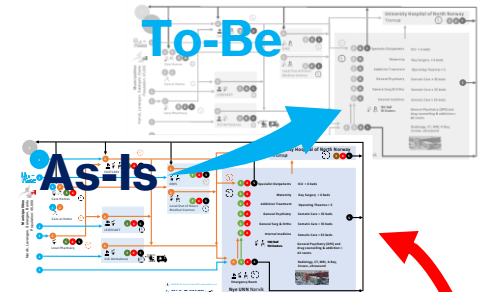
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**Level 4**

**What is primary aim?**  
**What are secondary aims?**

If you had a blank sheet what would the system look like?



# PATIENT ECOSYSTEM MAPPING

## STEP 3: Planning & delivering system-shift

- Models of Collective Impact
- Establish & resource a 'back-bone' team to deliver change across the system



## Characteristics of successful 'backbone' change support teams:

- **Visionary:** Ensure aim(s) shared by all projects
- **Results orientated:** Ensure measures of progress shared by all projects.
- **Facilitate collaboration** Build relationships across silos.
- **They celebrate success:** Externalise & share
- **Charismatic** They are optimistic & energise
- **Politically adept:** They draw down resources
- **Humble:** They let projects in the system take the limelight

Understanding the Value of  
**BACKBONE ORGANIZATIONS**  
in Collective Impact

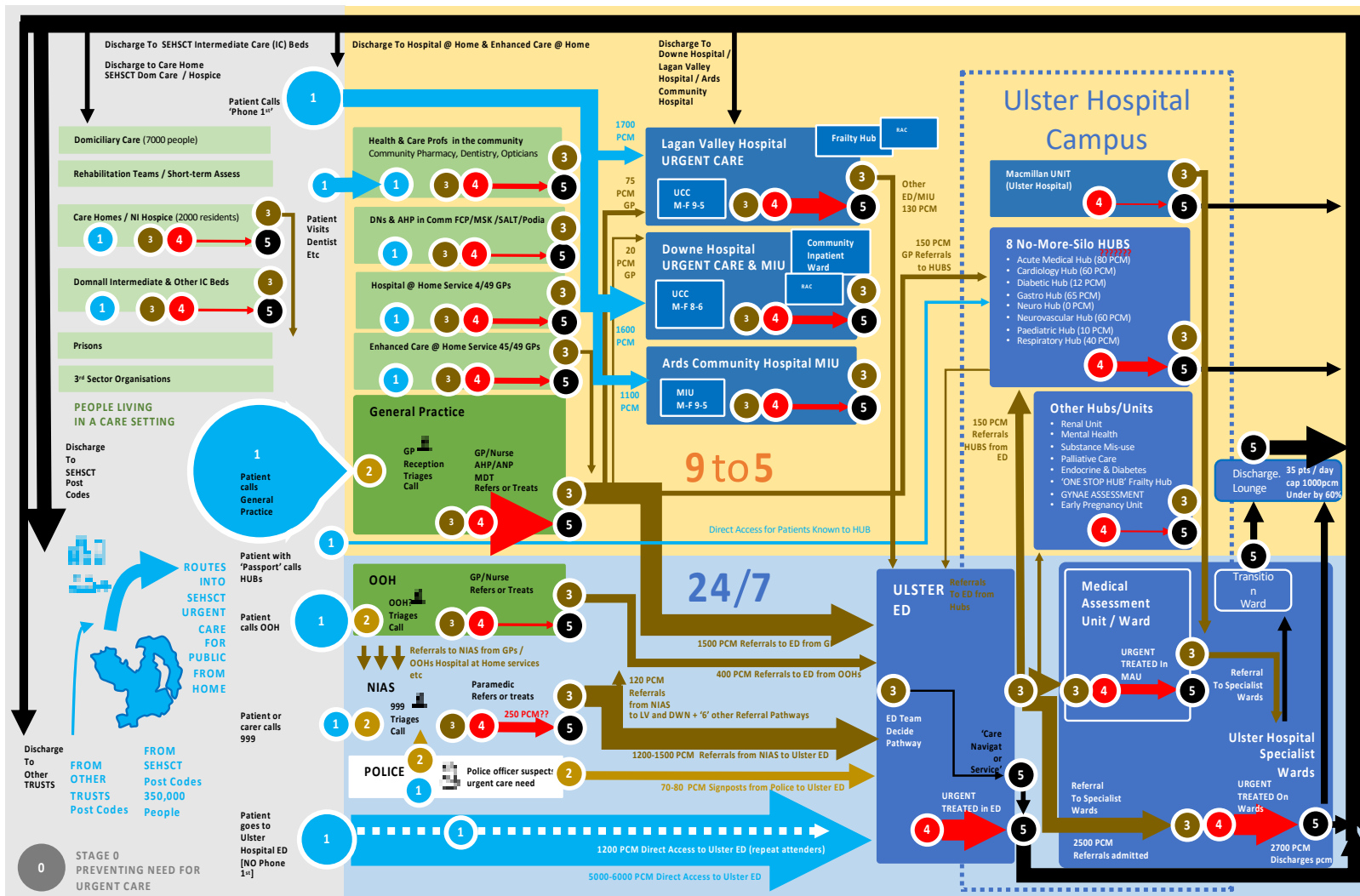
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An in-depth review of what it takes to be a backbone organization, and how to evaluate and support its work

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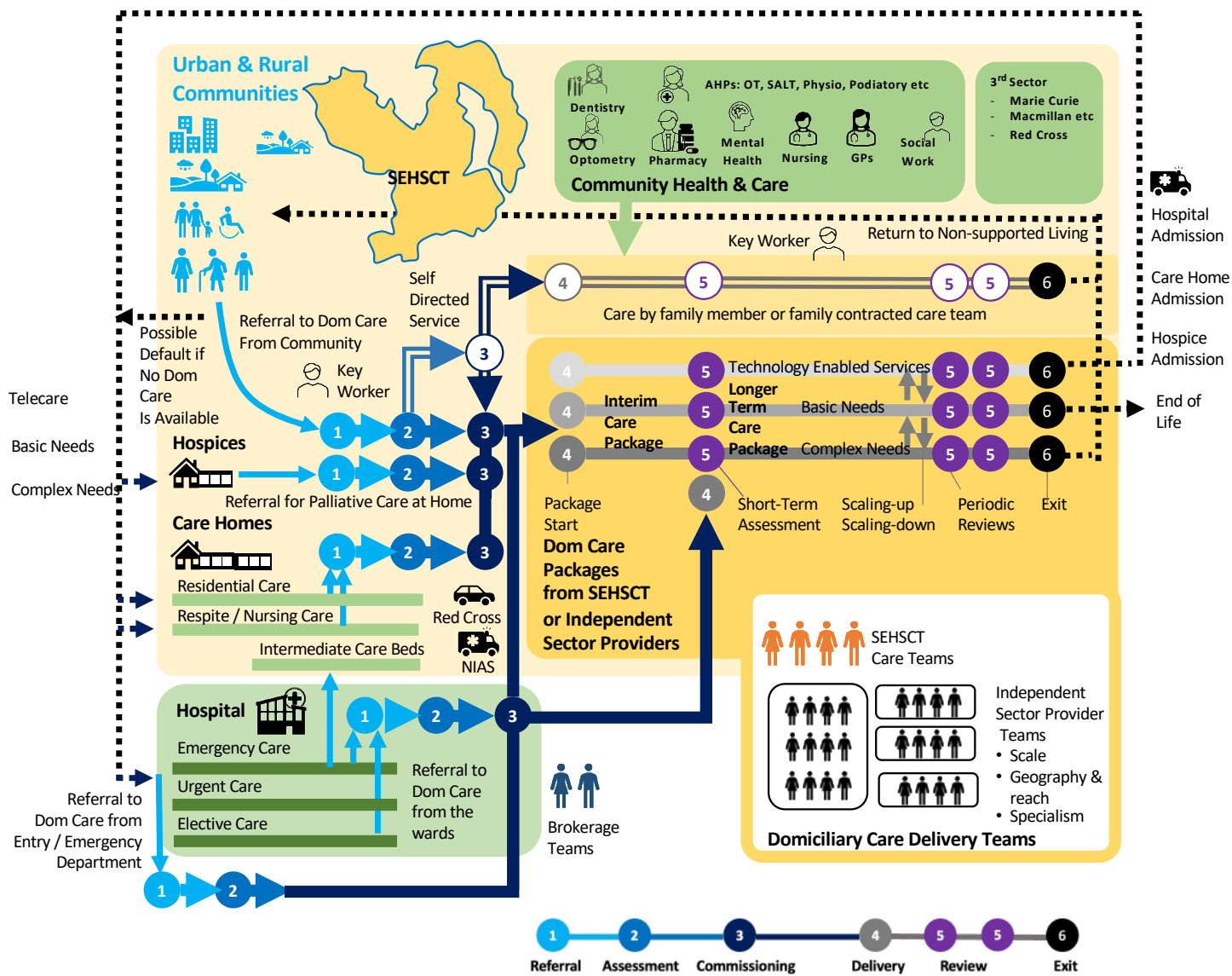
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## Urgent & Unscheduled Care: SEHSCT



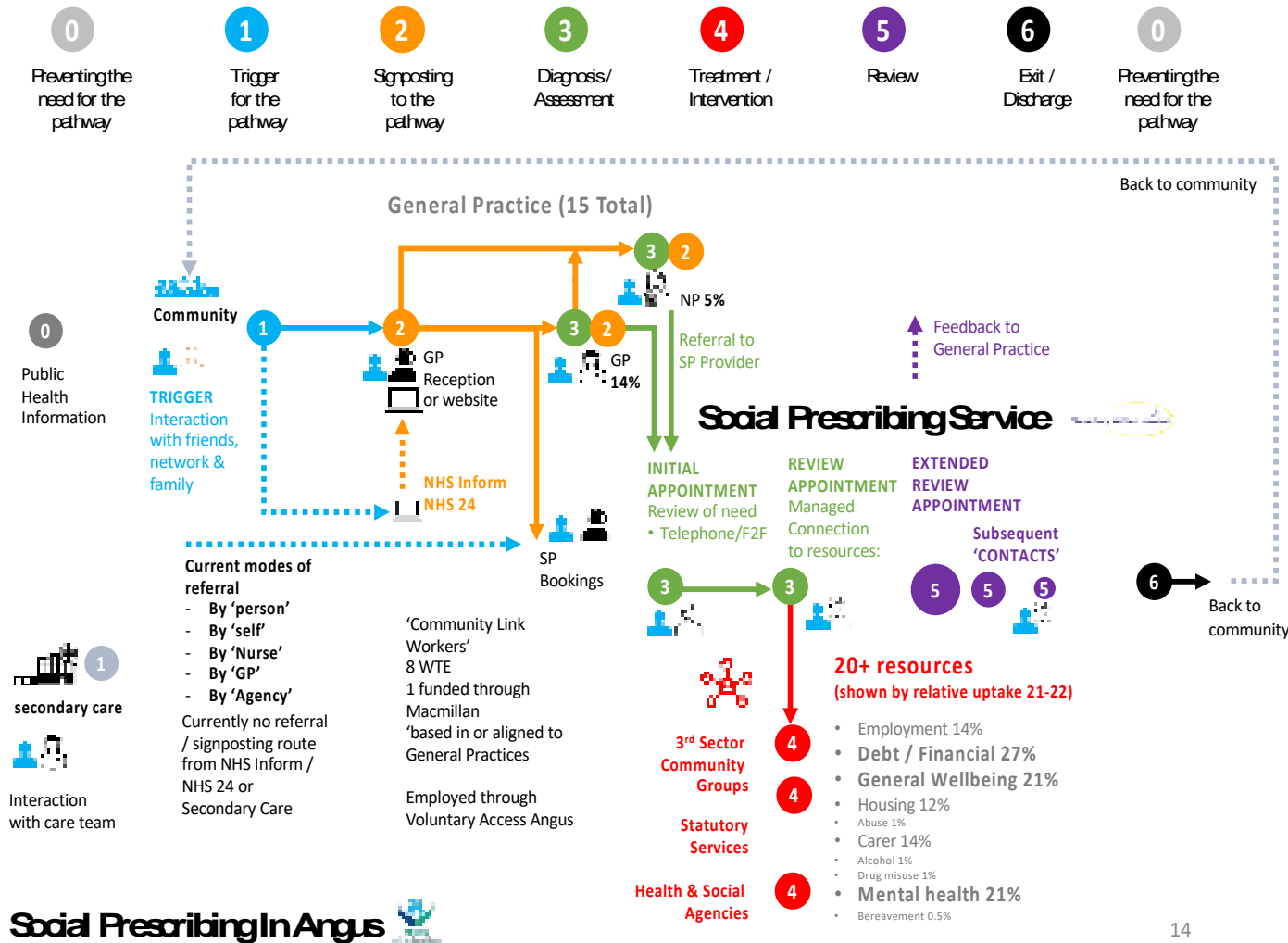
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## Domiciliary Care: SEHSCT



# PATIENT ECOSYSTEM MAPPING

## Social Prescribing: Angus HSCP









# PATIENT ECOSYSTEM MAPPING

## Scottish Clinical Genetics Services

### SOUTH REGION [Edinburgh]

  
 900K 116k 370K  
 TOTAL Population = 1,386,000

#### Regional Staffing

 4.5 Consultant (5 consultants)  
 Clinical Psychologist 8 sessions  
 1.2 Trainees (2 trainees)  
  
 1.0 Sp Nurse Neuromusc B7  
 1.0 Genetic Nurse B5  
 1.0 Clinical Support B3  
  
 1.0 Pr Genetic Co  
 6.6 Genetic Co B7s  
  
 6.0 FTE Admin

Referral Triggered By advisory letter from GP or Clinical Genetics

Self-Referral to GP for wide range of conditions

Self-Referral (triggered by Relative)

Self-Referral (triggered by home testing)



1 Initial Trigger   2 Signposting & Referral   3 Diagnosis / MDT Treatment etc

### Ecosystem of Regional Clinical Genetics

Clinical Genetics Regional Training   Training Others   Clinical Genetics National Training

Clinical Genetics Advice & Advocacy

Clinical Genetics Services:

Patient Counselling   Pedigree Mapping   Consultation Examination   Testing Diagnosis   Prevention Management

Specialist Clinical Genetics Clinics

Named Clinical Genetics Clinics  
 • Face-to-face  
 • Near-me  
 • Phone

### National Activity

National Training

National Policy & Service Development

Clinical Genetics support for National guidelines, policy & benchmarking

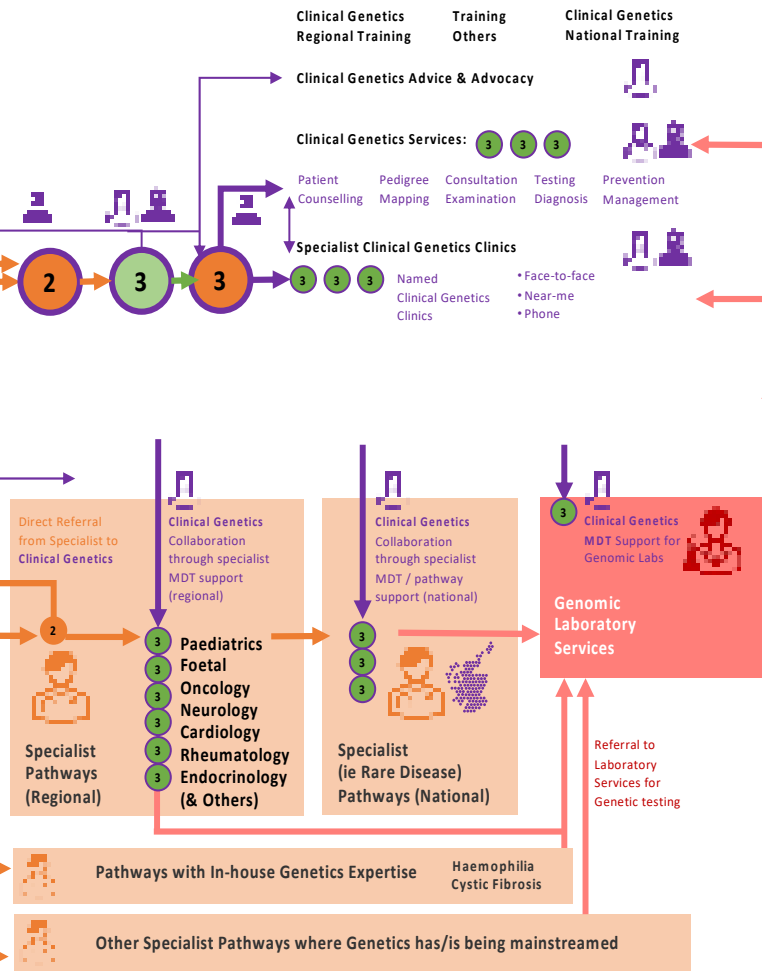
Clinical Genetics Support for National Rare Disease Strategy/Policy for Scotland

Clinical Genetics Support for National Specialist Pathway Development

Clinical Genetics Support for National Services Division

Clinical Genetics Support for National Genomic Test Directory

Clinical Genetics National Policy Support for Mainstreaming



# SEHSCT Domiciliary Care Challenges

Through the online workshops held in Nov 2022 and the face-to-face workshop on 6<sup>th</sup> Dec 2022 a wide range of current challenges were identified

## Trust Boundaries

Challenges at the boundaries when discharging into NE and Belfast Dom Care systems. Variance in policies.

## Self-Directed Support

Taken as a direct payment (cash)

- A managed budget (held by 3<sup>rd</sup> party)
- Trust brokered service

Lots of questions about whether these pathways are clear to service-users and professional teams?

## Public Expectations

Challenge of managing what is reasonable? Is this defined? Do public have realistic expectation? Public often not ready to have Dom Care conversations, better awareness is needed.

## Referrals into domiciliary care from the community

Perception that care packages from the community are not prioritized due to hospital discharge pressures. What is the real data on this? Could better access reduce hospital admissions?

## Communication Challenges

Challenge of Independent Care Providers not have very detailed information on service-user needs at point of taking on a care package

## Challenge of Care Home Provider Continuity

Arises when service-user goes to hospital, care home or hospice and is then discharged, previous care provider cannot be guaranteed

## Constant Challenge of 'medically fit but need Dom Care' patients on wards

## 'Over-prescription' of care packages

Hospital-based discharge teams tend to 'over-prescribe' to mitigate anticipated risks that might not be relevant

## Political Vacuum

Not having a government in place that can action additional funding, change policies etc. This came up as a key issue impacting long term planning

## Care Staff Recruitment

Care Staff Recruitment Challenges particularly in very rural areas 'The Peninsula'

## Lack of interaction with other community teams

Opportunities for better 'holistic' care being missed due to lack of communication between teams

## Clarification of key worker role

4-5 years ago the role of the key worker was emphasized – now it is fragmented – involvement in the procurement of services seems to have been taken away from key workers

Continuity of key worker can be challenging – creates communication issues

## Limited Feedback Routes

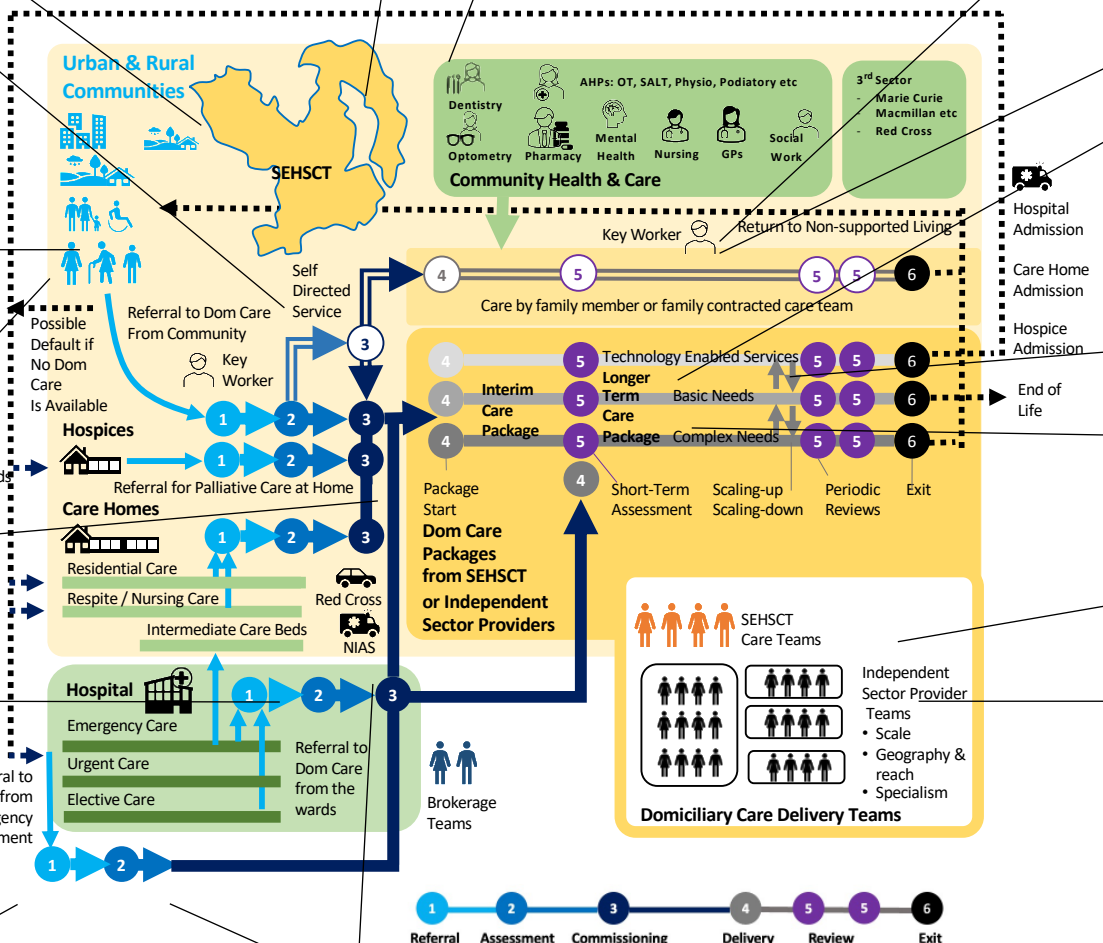
Very limited feedback routes for service-users – either a complaints process (which some find intimidating – *will I lose my care package?*) Or online 'Care Opinion' service (has only been operating since 2020).

Challenge in variance in care package delivery – are all reviews done systematically? Etc? Are Care Packages being reduced when they should be?

Clarification of 'what is care' and 'what is support'

Variation in pay and conditions between staff working in different teams

No system wide approach to training, career development and improvement across all teams working within the system



## Direct Payment Route from Hospital

Lack of clarity as to whether Direct Payment Route is available to service-users being discharged from hospital

## Transport Scheduling

Challenge of scheduling transport back to home, family / care teams not always given a clear discharge time

## Vocabulary & Terminology

Why do we call it domiciliary Care? Should we call it 'care at home' the public would understand this better. Should Periodic Review be called 'Assessments', would this make things more transparent?

# Opportunities for Domiciliary Care Improvement

Through the online workshops held in Nov 2022 and the face-to-face workshop on 7th Dec 2022 a wide range of possible improvement projects were identified

## Service-User Panel



There is an opportunity to establish a 'Service-User Panel'. People with lived experience of using the system who could contribute to the co-design of future care system - all improvement projects would benefit from user feedback.

## Domiciliary Care System Service-User guide



It would be very useful to have a clear regularly updated user guide (printed and online). 'This is how the system works' (from a service-user perspectives)

- Stages in your care journey
- Choices that are available to you
- How you will be assessed
- How you can give feedback

## Domiciliary Care System Health & Care Professional guide



A similar regularly updated guide (probably online) could be developed for health and care professionals

## Scale new Digital Service Tools and Approaches



The SEHSC Dom Care teams are now all supported with digital tools to track Dom Care package delivery. These approaches and similar approaches within the independent sector need to be aligned with suitable interfaces and data sharing to allow the ecosystem to be monitored effectively.

## Assessment Criteria used in Hospital environment



Anecdotal evidence suggests hospital-based teams are 'over-prescribing' Dom Care requirements. The extent and possible mitigations of this practice could be assessed.

## Pan-Northern Ireland Dom Care Improvement Network



There is an opportunity to establish a network for HSCTs to share their challenges and experiences and outcomes of Dom Care Improvement Projects

## Care+ Pilot Project



Project to develop, pilot and evaluate new Care+ Packages. For example Care + 15 minutes of mobility per day. Would potentially deliver more cost effective health and care with greater impact than current strategies.

## Keyworker Roles



Key Workers play an important role as a point of contact for Domiciliary Care service-users. A review of the role could lead to Dom Care service improvements

## technology enabled Services Expansion



Everybody being referred from the community could be given a trial period with technology enabled services (unless their care needs require require immediate Interim Care

## Project exploring effectiveness of Care Package Review Process



Project to establish whether all Longer Term Care Packages are being reviewed at a fixed point to determine whether scaling up or scaling down is required. What does the data tell us about the effectiveness of this process in different contexts

## Challenging Conversations Project



Project to establish the challenges faced by staff and service-users in discussing scaling-down of Dom Care support. How should these conversations be reframed? What alternative support could be put in place? Etc.

## New ways of Deploying Resources

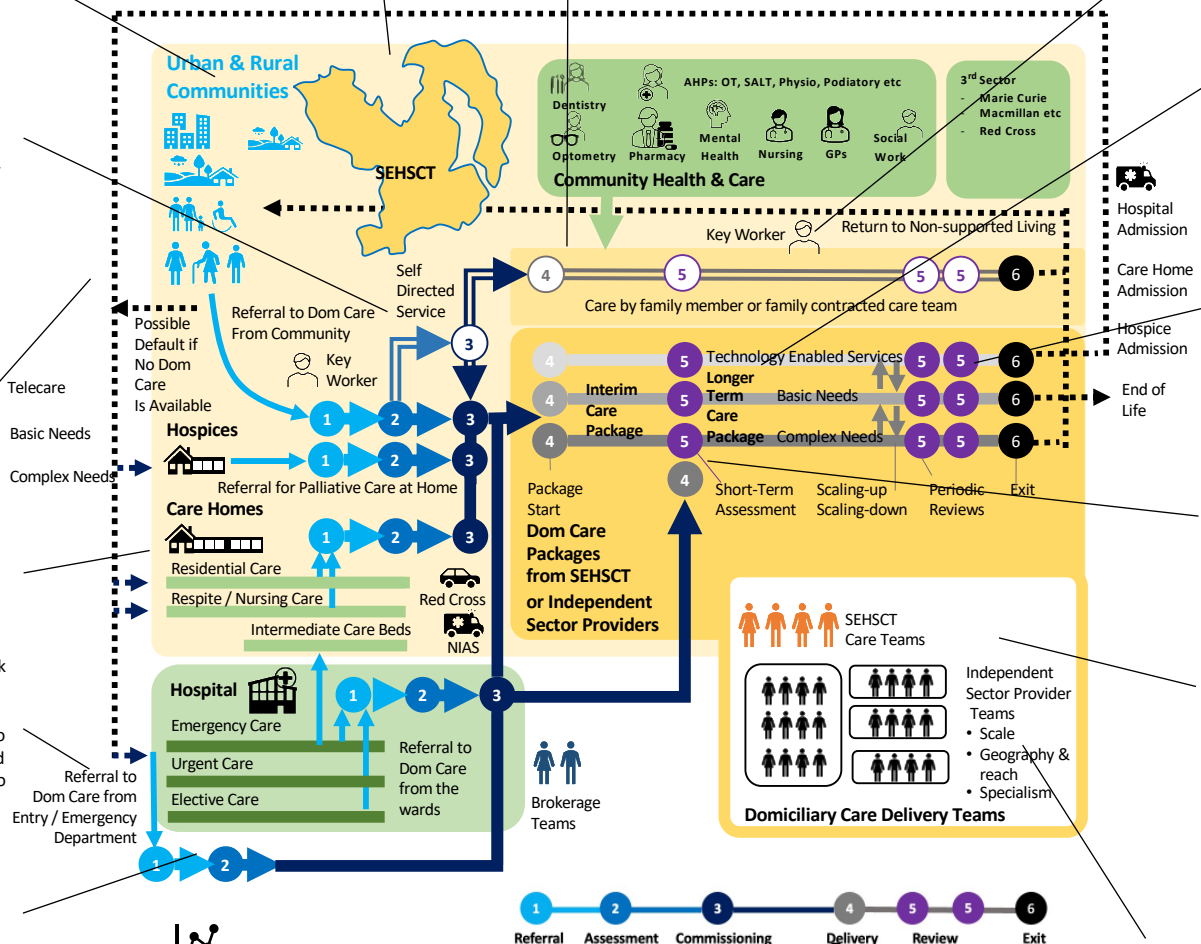


Project to explore impact of using resources in new ways (for example delivering all Interim Care via SEHSC teams)

## Research into the lived experience and changing needs to service-users



An academic study (funded through research bodies). Building insights into the realities of Domiciliary Care and future needs.



## Data-Dashboard



Project to explore opportunities and value of tracking data in new ways across the Dom Care Ecosystem

## Project Mapping alternatives to Domiciliary Care

Community support and services provided by the 3rd sector that could either prevent the need for a domiciliary care package or support somebody exiting from domiciliary care would be mapped and clear guidelines for signposting would be published

## Workforce Development Strategy & Actions



A strategy needs to be developed to look at all aspects of workforce development. Exploring how working cultures can be improved, career paths developed, recruitment expanded. The true contribution and value added by domiciliary care staff needs articulating.

# Patient Ecosystem Mapping



## Supporting system-shifting in health and care

The majority of innovation in health & care is based on quality improvement methods developed in other sectors like manufacturing. These methods can deliver significant impact, but often they focus on 'drilling down' into a system, optimising individual pathways or specific elements within a service. Many of the emerging challenges in health & care, however, require us to see the bigger picture, to shift the emphasis to prevention, improve the interfaces between patients & service-users and professionals and be more mindful of the population's rapidly changing needs.

In the conventional quality improvement tool-box there are relatively few methods that support 'zooming out' to explore these more holistic challenges. Patient Ecosystem Mapping offers a way to see the system from above, from a service-user's perspective.

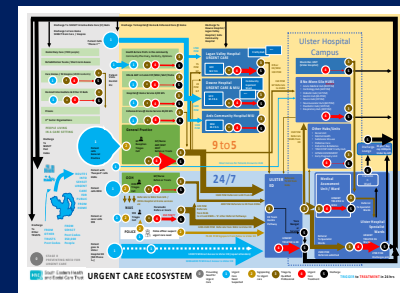
This summary explains what a Patient Ecosystem Map is, how it can be created and how it can be used to help a team deliver the system-shift needed within contemporary health & care, examples of recent mapping projects are provided to illustrate how the approach can add value.

## Project Examples

### Urgent & Unscheduled Care

South East Health & Social Care Trust,

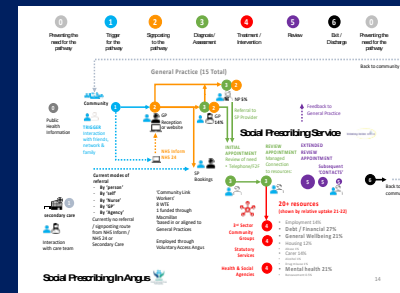
A detailed Patient Ecosystem Map for Urgent & Unscheduled care was built up through five 90-minute online workshops with over 60 participants. Available data was used to mark-up relative patient flow rates through the Ecosystem (indicated by arrow width). During a one-day face-to-face workshop patient journeys were mapped, challenges were explored and a portfolio of improvement projects across the system were identified & prioritised.



### Commissioned Services

NHS Tayside & Angus HSCP Care Trust

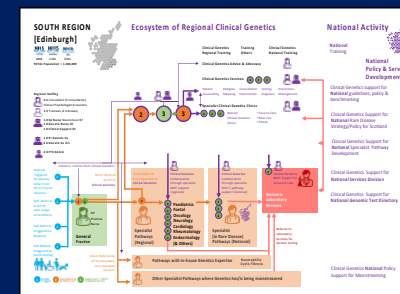
Detailed Patient Ecosystem Maps were built for a range of newly commissioned services established to alleviate pressure on General Practice, (in response to revisions to the 2018 GMS Contract), these included Social Prescribing, Pharmacotherapy, CTAC and First Contact Physiotherapy. The maps have been used to inform potential improvement projects and more effective ways of monitoring service performance.



### Scottish Clinical Genetics Service

All NHS Scotland Regional Boards.

Through a series of online and face-to-face workshops Patient Ecosystem Maps have been built for Scotland's 4 regional Clinical Genetics Services (West, North, South & East). The maps have enabled the teams to communicate the role of Clinical Genetics to other stakeholders at a regional and national level. Variance in regional delivery strategies has been mapped - information that is helping in the development of National Service Specifications.



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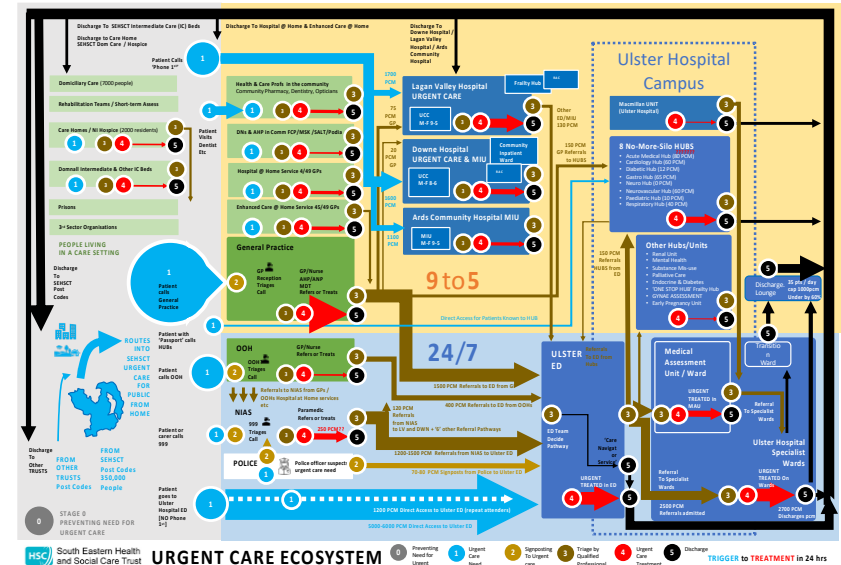


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# Patient Ecosystem Mapping

## 1. Define Map Scope

Decide scope of the map by establishing:

- **Geography:** Region, trust/board, community or specific locality.
- **Patient / User Groups:** All patients / users or specific demographic
- **Pathways:** All pathways or emergency-urgent-elective, specialist pathways, in-hours, out-of-hours etc.

## 2. Map the Ecosystem

- Identify key ecosystem stakeholders.
- Decide how mapping is to be choreographed (face-to-face or online).
- Build the map iteratively, through collaborative workshops using icons and colour coded arrows.
- Mark-up using local pathway and service vocabulary & local data.

## 3. Engage with patients

- Invite patients / service-users to talk through their own journeys.
- Mark up what was challenging, what worked well and patient / service-user ideas for ecosystem improvement.



### 1. Define Map Scope

What is the Geography of the Ecosystem?

Who are the Patient Groups in the Ecosystem?

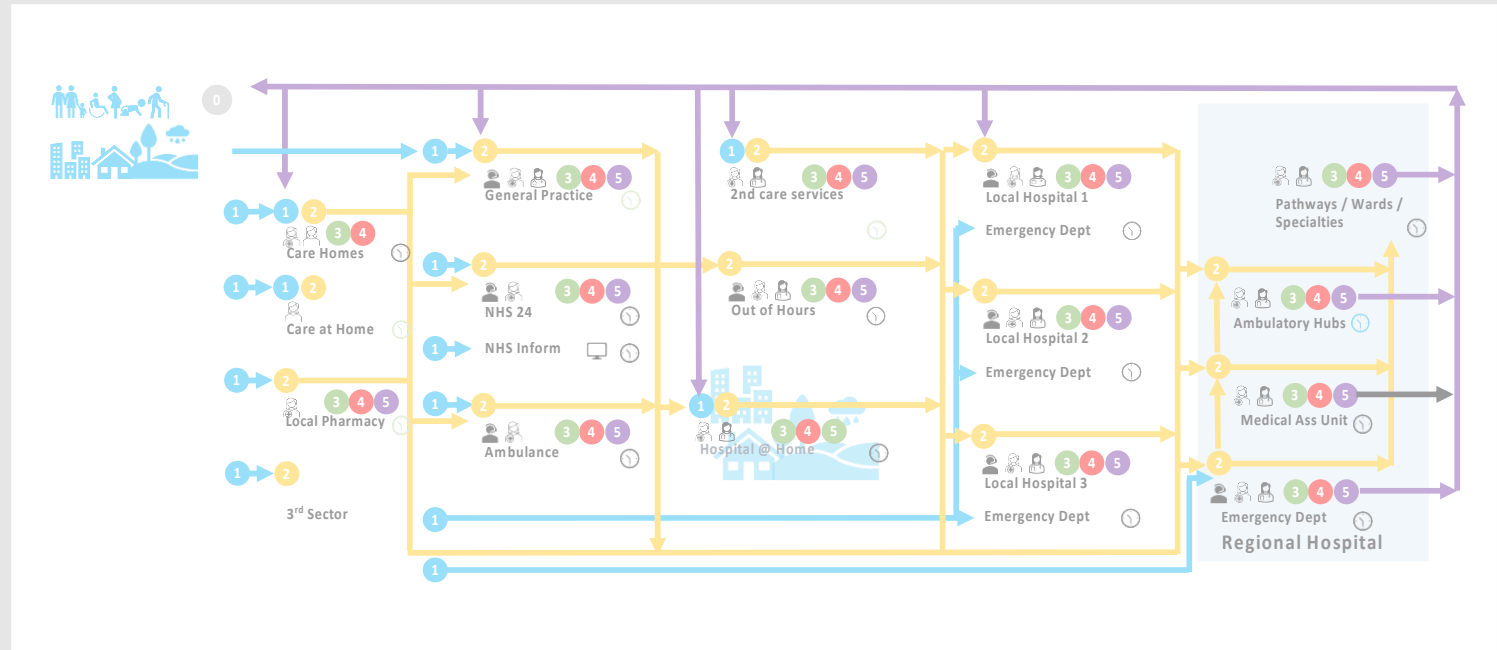
What Pathways are in the Ecosystem?

### 3. Profile a Patient

Name:  
Age:  
Situation:

### 2. Map your Patient Ecosystem

Annotate the model below to mark-up how YOUR patient pathways connect (use local vocabulary & terminology)



Walk the patient through the Ecosystem Map. Mark-up what was challenging, what worked well and patient ideas for Ecosystem improvement.

# Patient Ecosystem Mapping

## 4. Identify Drivers

Use iceberg-model to identify:

- Observable day-to-day challenges.
- Trends (with data) that are having impact over time.
- The structures, systems & interfaces that create disruption.
- The mental models, mindsets and policy decisions that influence behaviours.

## 5. Plan System-Shift

- Agree future system aims.
- Model a preferable 2030 Patient Ecosystem to act as a 'polestar'.
- Define a 'system shifting' portfolio of potential improvement projects, recording each as a 'How-Might-We' statement.
- Develop criteria for evaluation & develop a prioritised plan.

## 6. Deliver System-Shift

Establish & resource a 'back-bone' team to deliver change across the system through:

- Agreed initiative aims.
- Agreed measures of progress.
- Pooling of expertise.
- Celebration of successes.
- Being politically adept.
- Drawing down required resources.



## 4. Challenges and Drivers in your Ecosystem

What are the day-to-day challenges?



What are the trends? What is going up? What is going down? How quickly?

What are the structures, systems & interfaces that create disruption?

What are the mental models, mindsets and policy decisions that influence behaviours?

## 5. System-Shift ideas for your Ecosystem

'How-Might-We' Projects that will overcome day-to-day challenges:



'How-Might-We' Projects that will respond to the challenges of current & future trends:

'How-Might-We' Projects that will overcome challenges of systems and structures:

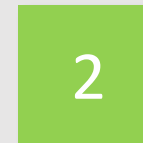
'How-Might-We' Projects that will influence mental models and mindsets:

## 6. Delivering System-Shift

What are the high-level aims of your 'System-Shift'?

Who would be in your 'System-Shift Back-Bone' team?

Which Projects would you prioritise?



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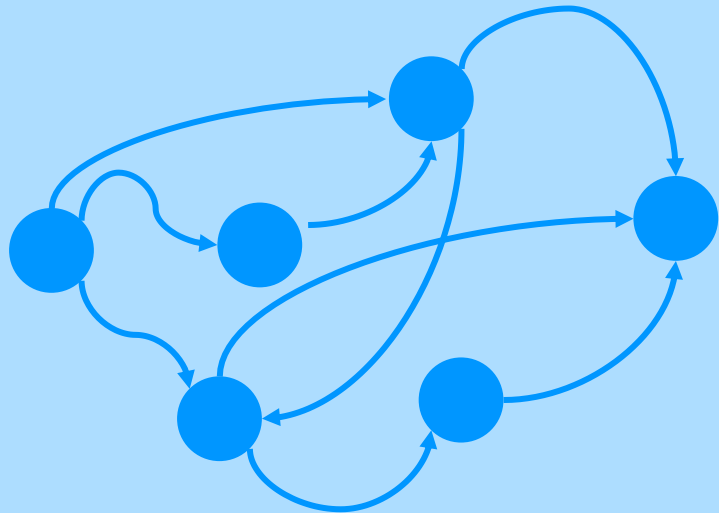
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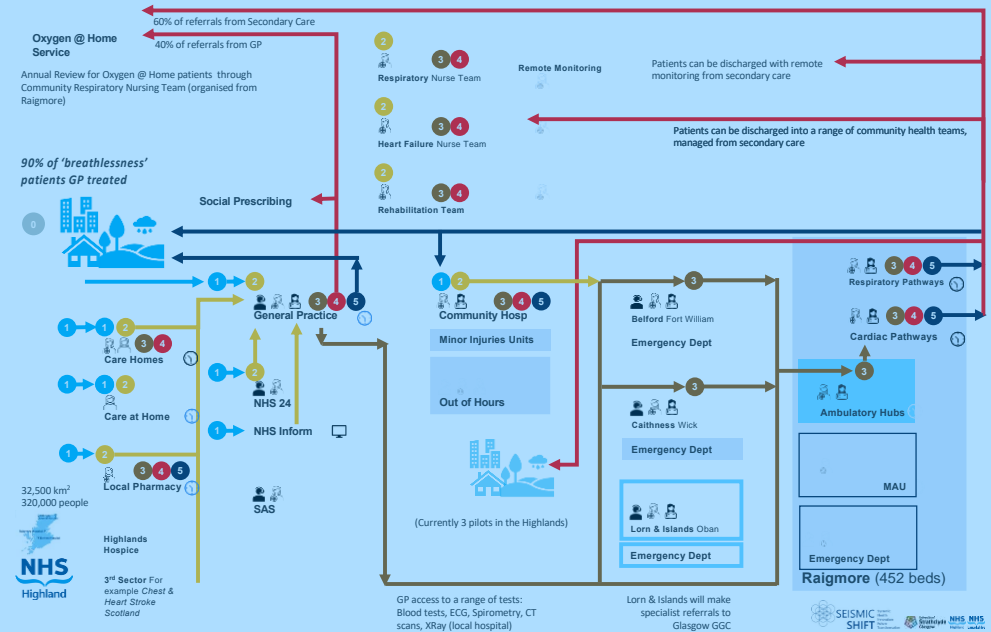
# Systems Engineering Modelling MLTC Pathways (Breathlessness)

## Atlas of modelling approaches

- Causal loop models
- 'Stock & flow' models
- Hard systems modelling
- Soft systems modelling



## 2. NHS Highlands – Patient Pathways – 'elective' referral to secondary care specialists from General Practice



# Design Tools to support modelling/training

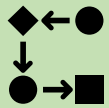
## Developing understanding through gaming



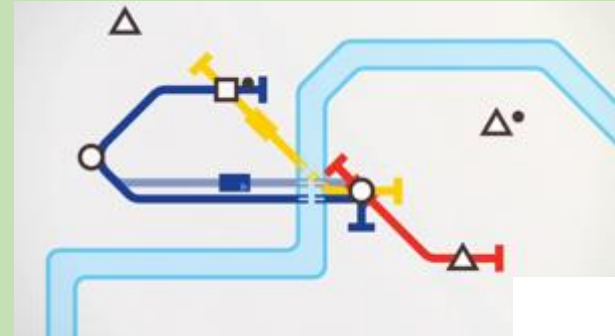
Design Thinking



Gamification



Systems Modelling



Mini Metro™



The challenge: NHS Urgent Care  
ENSURING: right care, right time, right place

**Whilst:**

1. Reducing resource consumption
2. Building climate resilience

# Design Tools to support local action

## How do you help a 'QI team' go green

A toolkit for Local action

- Seeing the bigger system
- Exploring challenges & Opportunities
- Tools & Process for sustainability action
- Contributing to System-Shift

