



Reference: FOI.ICB-2324/297

Subject: Dementia Strategy

I can confirm that the ICB does hold some of the information requested; please see responses below:

QUESTION	RESPONSE
Please refer to requesters template enclosed.	

The information provided in this response is accurate as of 17 November 2023 and has been approved for release by Sarah Truelove, Deputy Chief Executive and Chief Finance Officer for NHS Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire ICB.

Q1: Does NHS Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire ICB and its local authorities that are part of NHS Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire ICS have an agreed Dementia Strategy (10-year plan) for its Mental Health commissioning priorities?

Response: Avon and Wiltshire Mental Health Partnership NHS Trust (AWP) have drafted the below, which is currently out for consultation, but is not specific to dementia in isolation.

[Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire All Age Mental Health Strategy Draft \(bnssghealthiertogether.org.uk\)](https://bnssghealthiertogether.org.uk)

Q2: If yes or partial in Q1, does this strategy include the commissioning of diagnostic pathways for Dementia conditions?

Response: No

Q3: If yes or partial in Q1, does the strategy pertain to adults (65+) only, or is the strategy all-age?

Response: All age

Q4: Does NHS Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire ICB have or intend to operate with a Lead Provider Model for the commissioning of its services (including diagnostic & treatment pathways) for Dementia conditions?

Response: Not known at this point in time

Q5: If yes to Q4, what is the timeline for the implementation of a Lead Provider Model if it is not already in place?

Response: N/A

Q6: Does NHS Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire ICB and NHS Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire ICS have a Dementia Mental Health Provider Collaborative that oversees and/or advises on the clinical quality of the diagnosis of Dementia conditions?

Response: No

Q7: If yes to Q6, does this provider collaborative address outpatient community services?

Response: N/A

Q8: If yes to Q6, which organisations are involved?

Response: N/A

Q9: Within NHS Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire ICB, or NHS Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire ICS, or the Lead Provider of Dementia diagnostic services (if applicable), is there a Dementia Programme (system) Lead and/or Clinical Lead for Dementia conditions? What is their title?

Response: The ICB does not have a specific programme area lead for Dementia, but the Performance and Delivery Directorate has a lead clinician for Mental Health Services.

Q10: Does NHS Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire ICB and its local authorities that are part of NHS Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire ICS pool or align finances for the commissioning of its Dementia services (for example under Section 75, or Better Care Fund)?

Response: The ICB commission via the Voluntary Sector the South Gloucestershire Dementia Action Alliance with South Gloucestershire council via the Better Care Fund. This is a service provided by Southern Brooks to support dementia friendly communities.

Q11: If no to Q10, do they intend to do so in the future?

Response: N/A

Q12: Does NHS Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire ICB and its local authorities that are part of NHS Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire ICS commission either directly or indirectly through sub-contract arrangements independent providers for elements of their Dementia Diagnostic Pathways?

Response: No, but a VCSE provider is subcontracted by Devon Partnership Trust. Regarding local authorities the ICB would not have sight of any separate contractual arrangements between a Local Authority and any independent sector dementia provider.

Q13: If yes to Q12, is this part of a waiting lists initiative to clear backlogs, or as part of partnership collaborative commissioning across local NHS Trusts & or independent providers?

Response: N/A