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Paper referrals switch-off: from 1 July 2018

You may have heard about the national requirement for all NHS organisations to move from paper/fax to 100% electronic GP referrals, using the NHS e-Referral Service (formerly known as “Choose and Book”), from 1 July 2018 which applies only to GP to consultant-led services.

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CQC highlights ‘well-led’ services and ‘positive improvement’ at Bradford Teaching Hospitals

Bradford Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust has been told it is a ‘well-led’ organisation after a visit by inspectors. The Care Quality Commission (CQC) also found that care was ‘patient centred and compassionate’ at the Trust’s hospitals which include Bradford Royal Infirmary (BRI) and St Luke’s Hospital. Surgery was also rated as ‘Good’ but because not all the hospitals’ services were inspected during the visit in January 2018, the partial inspection means the Trust has been unable to raise its overall rating from ‘Requires Improvement.’ The CQC rated BRI’s urgent and emergency services, which were inspected during winter, one of the busiest and most challenging times of the year, a rating of ‘Good’ – an improvement on a previous inspection.

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Bradford Hospitals wins top award for trail-blazing employment project

A Bradford hospital team has scooped a top accolade for its trail-blazing work with young people with learning difficulties. The team at Bradford Royal Infirmary (BRI), part of Bradford Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, has been recognised in the Healthcare People Management Association (HPMA) Awards 2018.

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Bradford patient is first to receive pioneering stroke treatment

A former labourer who thought he was dying is now on the road to recovery thanks to a pioneering procedure which has just become available to Bradford patients. The new service is unique in the UK for being able to treat a patient for a stroke and discharge them back to their referring hospital the same day, all thanks to a highly co-ordinated approach between stroke nurses, interventional neuroradiologists, consultants, and other practitioners, which aims to treat the incoming patient as soon as possible.

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