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Cardiac Rehabilitation team achieves gold standard accreditation

A Bradford hospital team that helps people get back on their feet following a heart attack or heart surgery has achieved national accreditation for the outstanding service it delivers to patients. The Cardiac Rehabilitation team, based at St Luke's Hospital and Queensbury Health Centre, and part of Bradford Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust (BTHFT), provides a vital service out in the community to Bradford patients who are recovering from major heart problems.

The team has received 'gold standard' accreditation from the National Association of Cardiac Rehabilitation's national audit of cardiac rehabilitation (NACR). NACR collects the data from trusts across the country to support the monitoring and improvement of services in terms of access, equity in provision, quality and clinical outcomes.

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Improving the life chances of children in deprived areas

As a trust committed to providing closely connected care to the community that it serves, we're pleased to announce the start of an initiative to improving the life chances of children particularly in deprived areas. The communities we grow up in have a lifelong influence on the illnesses we get and how long we live. The Bradford Institute for Health Research, part of Bradford Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, is one of eight UK Prevention Research Partnership (UKPRP) grant winners investigating factors beyond the control of the individual that impact our health.

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Transforming healthcare delivery through technological advances

At Bradford Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust (BTHFT), we aim to use technology to its fullest to provide excellent patient care. To do this we deliver trust wide changes across multiple sites, teams and domains while ensuring a seamless service for our patients, staff and partners. We're delighted with the levels of transformation BTHFT has achieved through technological implementations such as Electronic Patient Record (EPR) and Command Centre. Our digital maturity has gained recognition from internationally from Healthcare Information and Management Systems Society (HIMSS). HIMSS has validated us at Stage 5 of its international accreditation scheme of best practice of which all Trusts in Europe, including the UK, average a 1.5.

Following the launch of EPR in September 2017 after months of hard work and meticulous preparation, the Trust moved from paper records to an electronic record. Our Informatics lived the

Trust's value of 'We Are One Team', strong in co-design at all stages including training and engagement of the whole Trust.

We have now also implemented an air traffic control style Command Centre to make things smoother for patients. We are the first trust in Europe to do so. The command centre uses a suite of tiles displayed on multiple high definition screens. The tiles apply AI and analytics in the background, drawing from the EPR and other data sources, to display actions that help our team manage patient flow.

To support this advanced use of data, we completely refreshed our tools that manage data, while implementing the EPR and Command Centre; now modern and allowing all our data, including clinical data, to be accessible to our teams for things like the Command Centre.

These implementations will help us to deliver high quality care for our patients.

BTHFT robotic surgery team marks major milestone

The team of surgeons at Bradford Royal Infirmary (BRI), part of Bradford Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust (BTHFT), has recently completed its 1,000th prostatectomy (removal of the prostate) using its state-of-the-art da Vinci robot. A year ago, the team passed the 1,000-case milestone for all robotic surgical procedures, making Bradford one of the highest volume robotic urological centres in the north.

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