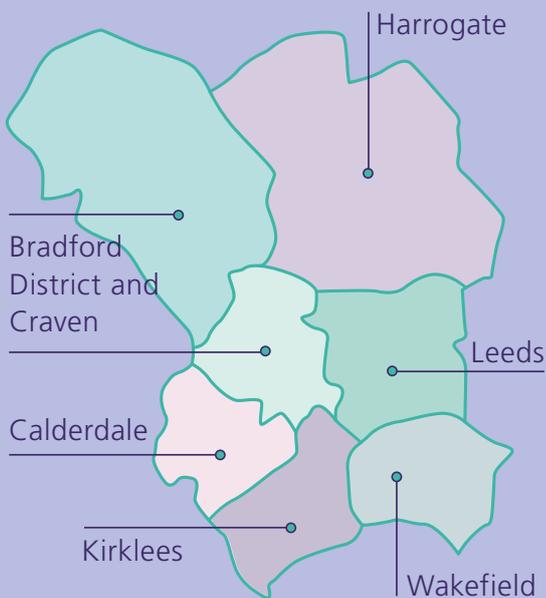


Telling our Partnership story



Proud to be the West Yorkshire and Harrogate Health and Care Partnership

Committed to improving the health and wellbeing of people living in:



- > Working to improve people's health with and for them
- > Improving people's experience of healthcare
- > Making every penny in the pound count
- > Working to keep people well and make life better for 2.6 million people living in West Yorkshire and Harrogate.



Simple "Red bag" scheme speeds up care for older people across West Yorkshire

Our ambition

People need joined up care more than ever before and some of the simplest changes can make the biggest difference for people living in care homes.



What we are doing

The 'Red Bag' scheme is designed to improve people's care and help care home residents admitted to hospital be discharged quicker. Red bags containing key paperwork, medication and personal items like glasses, slippers and dentures, are handed to ambulance crews by carers and travel with patients to hospital where they are then handed to the hospital staff on admission. It also means that people are discharged back to the home with key information regarding treatment they have received, saving calls to the hospital for much needed information.



What next?

Areas are also developing the dementia tag, a unique addition to the Red Bag which has been launched in Wakefield. Care homes have been utilising luggage tags featuring the "Forget Me Not" flower. The tags can be attached to the Red Bags, to help identify and provide improved support for dementia patients when they are admitted to hospital.



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