

I live in Scunthorpe – how will this improve my care?

24/7 Emergency Department (A&E) will continue to be provided in Scunthorpe and more than 93 out of 100 patients in Scunthorpe’s Emergency Department will continue to receive all their care in Scunthorpe.

The proposed changes would **improve the quality of care** we can provide for everyone no matter where they live.

The way services are currently organised means that **we are not meeting national standards** – for example, we do not provide 7-day care in all services. This means that a patient arriving at Scunthorpe or Grimsby Hospital on a Friday may be admitted and wait until Monday or Tuesday to have their specialist review because there are not enough specialist doctors to cover both units in Scunthorpe and Grimsby and they do not provide specialist cover over the weekends.

Under the proposed model, patients would be seen more quickly by the specialist and receive the treatment they need without delay.

We believe the proposal will:

- Help more patients to be seen and treated more quickly and stay in hospital for less time
- Improve the quality of urgent and emergency care, trauma and inpatient paediatric care and ensure patients have access to the most highly skilled professionals when needed, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week
- Ensure services are sustainable, safe and of high quality for the long term
- Address critical shortages in workforce by organising our teams more effectively
- Improve training and development opportunities and help us to find and keep the workforce we need for the future.

How many people could be impacted?

In developing the proposal, we carefully studied the likely impacts on patients, staff and visitors of bringing these services together.

	Trauma	Emergency Surgery	Some medical specialties	Paediatric Inpatients
Patients from North Lincolnshire	1 a day	5 a day	2 per day	2 per day