

Saving Lives "Reducing the Pressure" in Cheshire and Merseyside

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## Today's presentation

- Aims of our Collaborative and how we work together
- Our approach to Sector Led Improvement
- Our approach to reducing blood pressure
  - Cheshire & Merseyside (C&M) blood pressure (BP) strategy vision, aims, objectives
  - Key achievements last 12 months
  - Priorities moving forward



#### Aim of the Champs Collaborative – Improve the health and wellbeing of local people

- Increase local impact by working together as strong public health system leaders
- Share specialist public health expertise
- Create and disseminate the evidence
- Enable cross-organisational commissioning
- Reduce duplication of effort and save money
- Innovate and learn together, facilitate peer support and challenge
- Secure new external resources
- Promote resilience and risk management



## The Champs Public Health Collaborative

- The Collaborative is made up of many members and partners
- A 14 year collaboration, built from an award winning public health network with a national profile
- Led by the eight Local Authority Directors of Public Health as an Executive Board
- 9 local authorities/12 CCGs
- 2.5 million people
- Aim: improve the health and wellbeing of local people by large scale action and working together as system leaders
- Focus on a number of key priorities (including high BP) in partnership with PHE and NHSE
- Small support team



# Working as a public health system with PHE and NHS England

- Work as collective leaders for public health influence on the health and social care system in C&M
- Focus on a number of priorities, in partnership with PHE and NHS England as a system leadership group
- Maximise opportunities with national partners
- Annual review of progress and priorities together







#### Sector Led Improvement

- Core to all the work, supporting implementation of the strategic delivery plan
- Self-assessment/awareness, peer support and peer accountability using the principles of SLI.
- Accelerate improvements both in quality and outcomes (in line with the priorities of the public health collaborative).



## **Key Objectives**

- Undertake a review of the latest available evidence and/or guidance
- Benchmark performance (including cost where available and appropriate) against nearby and statistically similar areas
- Provide opportunities for peer challenge and support utilising local system/ colleagues and/or external experts as required
- Share best practice of 'what works'
- Participate in a cross-C&M learning network, designed to disseminate local, national, and international research and expertise.







# Starting local



## Beating blood pressure



In C&M, 45% of high blood pressure remains undetected (approx 300,000 people) increasing personal suffering and demand on the system due to heart attacks, strokes, kidney disease and dementia

#### **Our vision – To be the most improved sub-region in England**

- International learning from Canada
- 5 year strategy "Saving lives: Reducing the pressure"
- Multi agency partnership board
- Successful BHF bid
- 3 key areas for action:

#### **Prevention, Detection, Management**

• Led by Dr Muna Abdel Aziz, DPH Warrington Council





#### Timeline: key milestones

2014 High BP identified as local system priority National BP Board formed 'Tackling BP: From evidence into Action
2015 C&M BP event (Champs, PHE) Local C&M BP Partnership board established
2016 C&M BP Strategy 'Saving lives: Reducing the pressure'





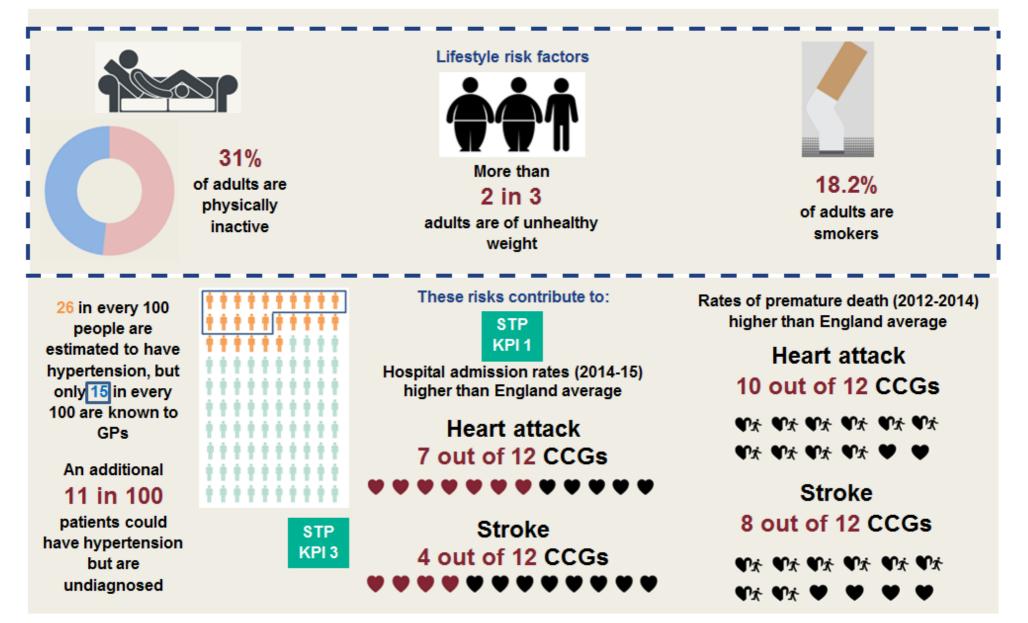


Putting the strategy into action 2<sup>nd</sup> C&M BP Event NHS England Five Year Forward View

2017 +



#### Facts and figures



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## Strategy - Saving lives: Reducing the pressure

Vision: Our communities will have the best possible blood pressure

- Prevention
- Detection
- Management



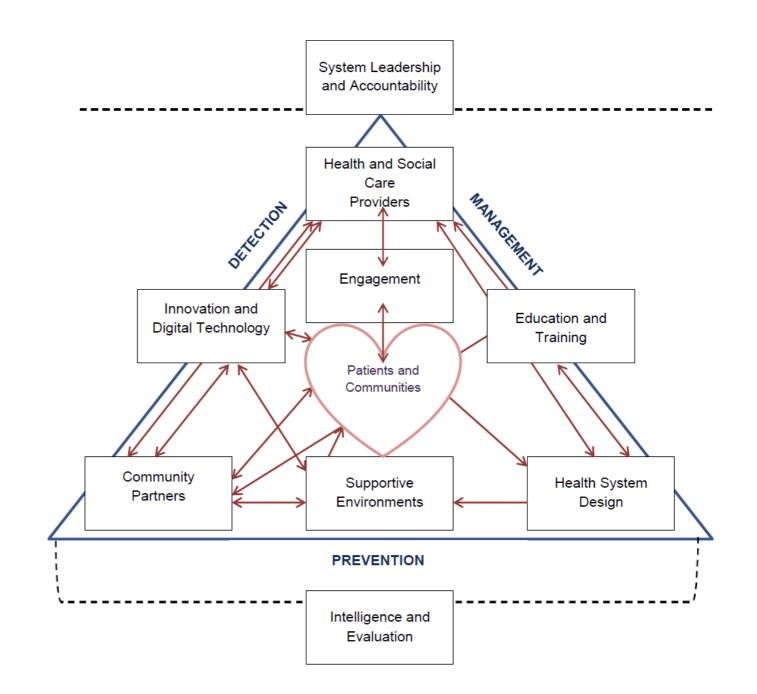
Prevention

Saving lives | Reducing the pressure across Cheshire and Merseyside



#### **Strategic Objectives**

#### Cheshire and Merseyside Cross-Sector Blood Pressure System







With Public Health England

# How are we doing it?

#### Key achievements over the last year

Considerable amount of work, commitment and enthusiasm across C&M, some examples of key achievements:

- System leadership
- Data and intelligence
- Cheshire and Merseyside Health and Care Partnership
- British Heart Foundation award
- Education and training programme
- Partnership with NICE
- Buy in from CCGs and hospital trusts across C&M.
- Participation from all pharmacies.

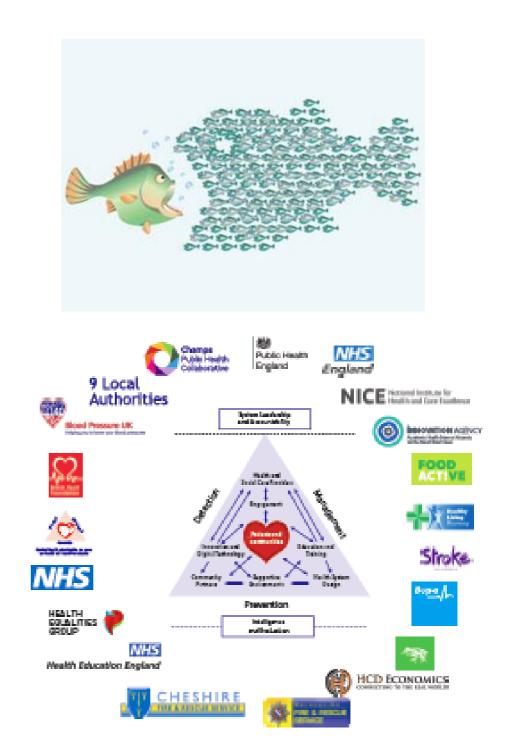
## System leadership

**Shared commitment to common goals** helps to:

- Move from silo working to partnership approaches
- Promote prevention
- Get the most **value** out of the system
- Achieve what was previously impossible

#### Progress

- C&M BP Partnership Board established Nov 2015,
- Wide range of sectors and organisations working together
- Launch of 'Saving lives: Reducing the pressure' May 2016
- Link to national BP Board
- National and international attention



#### Data and intelligence

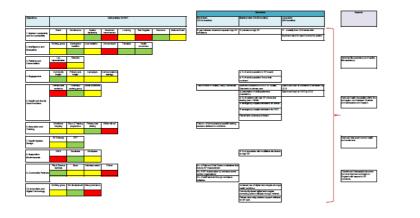
Underpins and drives the strategy

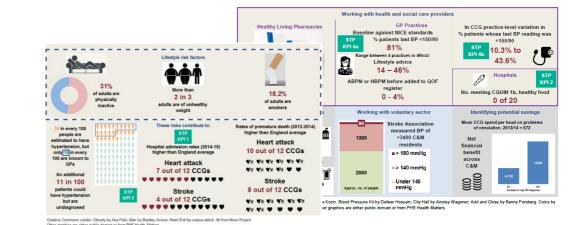
We understand what we are doing/ not doing:

- Gap analysis of baseline local implementation of strategy, July 2016
- PHE report: Hypertension variation in C&M, Sept 2016

We understand the impact (and potential impact) on outcomes:

- Indicator dashboard captures short, medium and longer term outcomes across the system
- Populated to give baseline dataset, Oct 2016

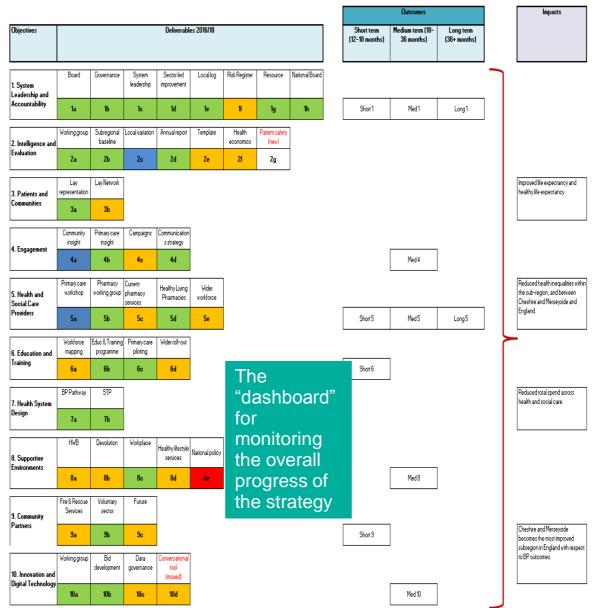








#### **BP Strategy Dashboard**





### C&M Health & Care Partnership



2016: High BP included in C&M 'Demand Reduction and Prevention' plans

The plans...

- Set out how NHS partners can help to implement the C&M BP strategy (as part of wider system approach)
- Will help to improve care, improve health, and reduce costs across C&M
- Are an important lever for change



## **British Heart Foundation Award**

March 2017- C&M partnership bid successful



#### Innovative detection of high BP in community settings

- 1. Conversational tool
- 2. Fire and Rescue Safe and Well Checks
- 3. Innovative digital technologies



#### BHF

- 1. Cheshire and Merseyside Fire and Rescue Safe and Well Checks
  - to include BP check for those not under clinical care.
  - 350 fire service staff will receive equipment and training to take BP measurements, provide advice and signpost people as required.
  - Over 60,000 safe and well visits conducted annually in Cheshire and Merseyside

#### 2. Warrington Digital

- Health kiosks for use in the community
- Rotating location





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#### What will the FRS staff do?

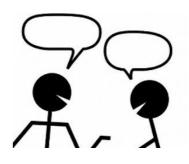
12. Blood Pressure Screening		
1. 'Are you under the care of your primary care team (GP, nurses) for your blood pressure?'	Yes – go no further No- go to 2	
2. 'Would you like us to check your blood pressure today to show how simple it is?'	If yes- verbal consen t	
3. □BP taken		
4. □Advice given to householder (and recorded on leaflet)		
Circle relevant code: 1 2 5 6	3 4	

<129/84mmHg	BP good Advise to recheck within 5 years Lifestyle advice to stay healthy Record measurement on leaflet and leave with householder
130/85- 139/89mmHg	High side of normal Advise to recheck within 1 year, e.g. by local pharmacy, practice nursing team or self-testing Lifestyle advice to stay healthy Record measurement on leaflet and leave with householder
140/90- 179/109mmHg	High reading Advise 2 separate follow up measurements within 1 month, e.g. by local pharmacy, practice nursing team or self-testing Record today's measurement on leaflet and advise householder to record follow up measurements on here too If still within this range see GP within 1 month of today and show the letter with 3 recorded measurements Lifestyle advice to reduce BP
>180/110mmHg	<ul> <li>Very high reading</li> <li>Take a 2<sup>nd</sup> reading after about 3 minutes rest</li> <li>Ask if the householder has blurred vision or a headache. If so advise to see GP straight away</li> <li>If no blurred vision or headache advise to see GP within 48 hours</li> <li>Record both measurements on the leaflet and advise the householder to show this to the GP</li> </ul>
4. Advise if householder wo	uld like more information on high blood pressure to return the

4. Advise if householder would like more information on high blood pressure to return the relevant section of the record form to Blood Pressure UK, who will send advice in the post. (TBC)



#### 3. Conversational tool





- Optimising/supporting the way health workers introduce concept of BP
- In 2016, worked with BUPA, PHE, WHO, and Frog Design produced a qualitative study with local people and healthcare providers.
- Building insight into a digital '*conversational tool '* to engage people, encourage participation in BP testing and promote the adoption of a healthy lifestyle.

In two settings:

- **Community Pharmacies** (Healthy Living Pharmacies)
- Recruiting 120 HLP through Local Pharmaceutical Committees to receive equipment and training to take BP measurements, provide advice and signpost as required. Total 360 people will be trained.
- Health Trainers in Halton







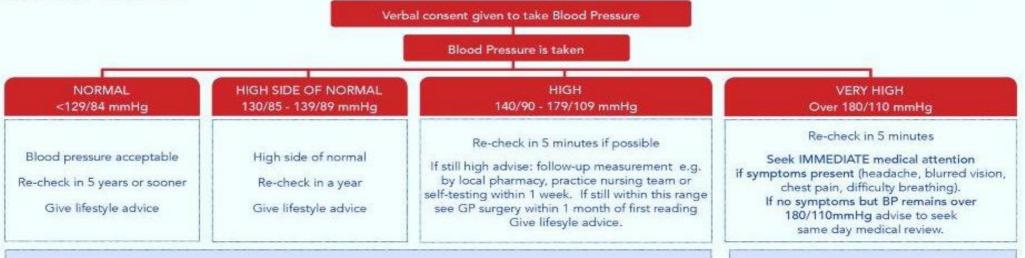
## Bringing it all together...



Cheshire and Merseyside Guideline for Blood Pressure Testing (for use outside of General Practice)

This guideline has been developed for BHF-funded projects and is subject to review. It is intended to support the identification of adults aged 18 and over with possible high blood pressure, who are not pregnant and do not have a known irregular heartbeat.

Follow the flow chart to see what information should be given, and what action needs to be taken depending on the person's blood pressure level. The reverse of this card contains information on accurate blood pressure measurement and accurate blood pressure monitors, as well as some common issues that may arise when taking blood pressure.



#### **Special situations**

- In almost everyone, low readings (less than 90/60 mmHg) are normal, healthy and cause no problems. A few people
  with a blood pressure at these levels will have an underlying cause for their low blood pressure. If the person has a
  low blood pressure reading and symptoms, such as fainting and dizziness, they should see their doctor.
- People with a known irregular pulse (arrhythmia) should go to their GP to have their blood pressure checked
  manually, as it can be difficult to get an accurate reading using digital devices.
- If irregular pulse is newly identified, seek IMMEDIATE medical attention if displaying symptoms (chest pain, breathlessness, palpitations). If no symptoms seek medical review within 48 hours.
- If a person you test is already being treated for high blood pressure but their levels remain high, (above the audit standard of 150/90mmHg) suggest that they talk to their doctor or practice nurse about their treatment.

#### Error reading appears (Digital Monitor)

- Check that the reading is being taken properly.
- For upper arm monitors check that the cuff is the right size and applied correctly.
- · Retake the reading.
- If still unable to obtain a blood pressure reading, ask person to be checked at alternative community setting e.g. local pharmacy / practice nursing team.

People using this pathway must have received relevant training and take blood pressure measurements as part of their role. Medico-legal liability for all people and organisations undertaking blood pressure measurement remains with the individual and/or their organisation.





## **C&M BP Education and Support Package**

Aim: improve BP care and reduce unwarranted variation

Evidence from Canada and local insight work

Health Education England/Champs/BHF collaboration

- Initial focus primary care: Nurses/HCA
- NICE guidance embedded

Piloting education and support package C&M :

- 1. Emis Web-based template (aligns to NICE QS and uses NICE indicators)
- 2. Practice protocol
- 3. Patient information prescription
- 4. Supporting education package e.g CPD, Protected learning time



#### Partnership with NICE



Working together to supporting implementation of best practice:

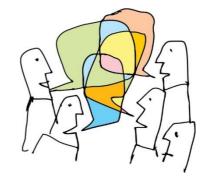
- Local insight work
- Education and training programme
- NICE Quality Standard audit in primary care



## C&M priorities for the next year:

- 1. Engagement and communication
  - With communities and patients
  - With local partners and stakeholders
  - With national partners
- 2. Implementation of the full C&M HCP (FYFV) BP plan
  - Support Local Delivery Systems
  - Quality Improvement for Primary Care
  - MECC
  - Support community pharmacy role
- 3. Deliver BHF projects to improve detection
  - Fire and Rescue Safe and Well Checks
  - Conversational tool
  - Digital innovations













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