



NHS@Home

NHS@Home provides clinical care for people who are acutely unwell in their own homes across Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire. The service enables people to get the care they need at home safely and conveniently, rather than being in hospital. NHS@Home uses a mixture of digital monitoring on a virtual ward, telephone support and face to face visits from specialist teams. Each pathway has a multi-disciplinary team with specialist consultants. The following pathways are available:

Hospital at Home (NBT only)	IV antimicrobials (OPAT)	Respiratory	Heart Failure	Frailty	General				
Provides hospital care to people that were in hospital, but who are fit enough to be at home.	Provides Outpatient Parenteral Antimicrobial Therapy (OPAT) to people at home.	Provides acute care in the home to adults with a respiratory illness (new or exacerbation), e.g. pneumonia, COPD.	Provides acute care in the home to people with decompensating heart failure requiring IV or high dose diuretics.	Management of acute illness in frail older people in the home environment, alongside community nursing. This includes people experiencing falls, UTIs, cellulitis and mild delirium.	For general medical and surgical cases that do not meet criteria for other pathways.				
In-patient model	Out-patient model								
Interventions and treatments available									
Digital monitoring Drain manager		ement •	Nephrostomy care	Surgical drain care including flushing					
Vital signs / NEWS2 monitor	ring • ECG	•	Optimisation of long term condition	sation of long term condition • Urine analysis / sampling					
 Anti-coagulation support 	Fluid / hydratic	on monitoring •	• PICC care and port management • Venepuncture						
 Blood glucose monitoring 	 IV medication 	- Abx •	PICC line removal • Weight monitoring						
 Bowel monitoring 	 IV medication 	- diuretics / other drugs •	Pressure area monitoring						
 Catheterisation 	Management	of acute oxygen therapy •	Risk management renal failure						
Complex wound management	<u> </u>	of high dose diuretics •	Simple wound management						
VAC therapy, larvae, SNAP, provena	Medication re-	view (specialist nurse only) •	Stoma care						

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Step up / step down and who can refer									
Step down: NBT referrals only.	Step down: any hospital can refer. Step up: any healthcare professional can refer. Please ensure you have consulted with microbiology before making your referral.	Step down: any hospital can refer. Step up: any healthcare professional can refer.	Step down: any hospital can refer. Step up: referrals accepted from Community Heart Failure Team only.	Step down: any hospital can refer. Step up: any healthcare professional can refer.	Step down: any hospital can refer. Step up: any healthcare professional can refer.				

How to refer

Hospitals: please phone your NHS@Home team between 8am and 6pm and they will support you to refer:

UHBW: **0117 3422327**.

NBT: **0117 4140275**.

GPs / SWAST/ community nurses: please use your usual routes e.g. week day professional line or SPA for Urgent Care response.

If you are unsure or would like advice, please call the NHS@Home hub on **0300 125 5001** (7 days a week, 8am - 8pm). To discuss an individual with the Respiratory Clinical Advice and Guidance Team, please call **0333 230 1471** (between 8am - 6.30pm).