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Urgent and emergency care at the Royal Free London

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Overview

- Three main sites: Barnet Hospital, Chase Farm Hospital and the Royal Free Hospital.
- Our emergency departments and urgent treatment centres saw record attendances in December 2022. They continue to remain high but no longer the levels seen in December.
- This can be attributed to an increased number of patients visiting us with respiratory illnesses.



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Increased number of attendances

	December 2022	January 2023	February 2023	March 2023
Barnet Hospital	11,958	10,040	10,068	11,171
Chase Farm Hospital	4,595	3,814	3,500	3,996
Royal Free Hospital	10,864	9,341	9,451	10,557

Trust performance against 95% target

- Emergency department waiting times are often used as a barometer for overall performance of the NHS and social care system.
- They are affected by changing activity and pressure in other services – ambulance service, primary care, community based care and social care services.

Month	%	National average %
December 2022	58.3	60.6
January 2023	67.4	68.5
February 2023	64.4	67.6
March 2023	66.4	67.5

Challenges

Ambulance
handovers

High bed
occupancy

Length of
stay

How we're managing these

Working closely with our partners across North Central London

Increasing capacity through more in-patient beds, including a new 17-bed short-stay ward at Edgware Community Hospital

Introducing a new space to care for ambulance patients in 'cohorts'.

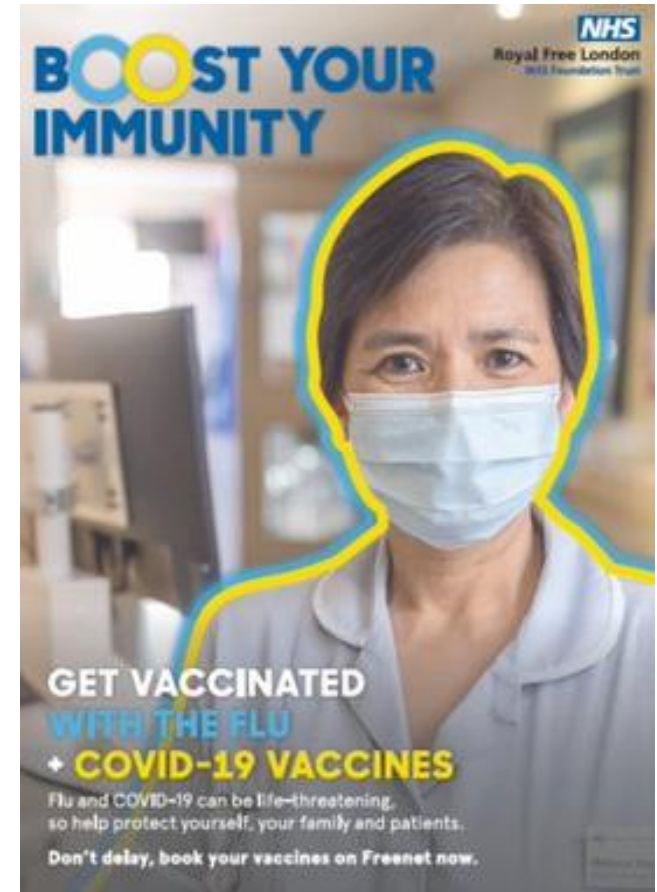
Expanding virtual ward provision

Discharging patients earlier in the day

Increasing the number of patients being treated in Same Day Emergency Care

Our vaccination programme 2022/2023

- Ended in December 2022.
- Staff administered over 15,000 vaccines to staff, patients and the public.
- Staff flu vaccine uptake was 41.2% - this is similar to previous years.
- Fifth within North Central London secondary care providers.
- Staff COVID-19 booster uptake was 42.4%.
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