

B&NES HELP Packs (Hospital Essential Leavers Packs) Referral process

About

- Funding has been awarded to the Community Wellbeing Hub (CWH) for pilot scheme to provide **400 HELP** packs during January to March 2022.
- Provides patients access to 3 days of nutritious meals post hospital discharge or to avoid hospital admission.
- Aim to help individuals with their recovery, reduce readmission, prevent avoidable costs.

HELP packs include

- Three meals (breakfast, lunch and evening meal), for three days, snacks, drinks and essential toiletries packed in a branded Community Wellbeing Hub bag. All food is long life, cupboard stored. No perishable items. Vegetarian options available.
- Within 24hr recipients receive a welfare telephone call, again at day 7, and a further call at 28 days (Mon to Fri, 9-5) from the CWH Triage team.
- CWH team can make referrals to other services and support as required following welfare calls. In certain circumstances welfare visits will be made if required.
- Practical information for other support services provided within the packs.

Referral Criteria - Must be resident of Bath and North East Somerset AND;

- Have recently been discharged from hospital on Pathway 0 or 1 OR;
- At risk of hospital admission.

Who can refer?

- RUH Hospital Discharge Hub, Nurses and Community Hospitals for patients discharged on pathway 0 and 1.
- A referral to the Community Wellbeing Hub can be made by GPs, nurses or any professional health worker eg. GP practices, reablement service, community nurses, health worker, support worker.

How to refer?

• To make a referral please contact the Community Wellbeing Hub, Mon-Fri 9am- 5pm. Please provide the name, address, telephone number and date of birth of the patient when calling. **Tel: 0300 247 0050**

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Available for patients pathway 0 or 1 and hospital avoidance

