

# SWAHS Strategy for Young People with Chronic Illness or Disability

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## ◆ Goal

- To develop and implement an Area Strategy for the management of young people with a chronic illness and/or disability within SWAHS

## ◆ Drivers

- Increasing burden of chronic disease
- Pressures from CHW to address gaps in adult services
- Ad hoc requests from clinicians to develop adult services
- Need for strategic approach to manage expected growth in demand



# Objectives

- ◆ To identify service development needs/priorities
- ◆ To develop and implement a model of care including strategies to improve the patient journey
- ◆ To seek cross network involvement in coordinating service delivery
- ◆ To establish a governance structure to oversee issues/service development – ensure sustainability



# Progress

- ◆ Executive endorsement and Working Group established
- ◆ Consultations with CHW clinicians, GMCT, SWAHS Women's, Children's & Youth Health Network
- ◆ Information gathering about this patient population within SWAHS
  - Inpatient activity
  - Epidemiological profile



# Next steps

- ◆ Consultation with clinicians about specific conditions
- ◆ Defining the model of care
  - Information and innovation
- ◆ Proposal to Chief Executive for endorsement and implementation