

4. Manx Integrated Sexual Health Centre (MISH) opened

The new clinic incorporates a fully integrated service, providing a 'one stop shop' for a full range of contraception options, testing, management and treatment of all sexually transmitted infections (STIs) including HIV, thus avoiding the need for the patient to attend numerous appointments held over different locations as was the case previously.

5. Critical Care Peer Review

Members of the Cheshire and Merseyside Major Trauma Network (CMMTN) carried out a peer review of Noble's Hospital Trauma Unit against national and regional standards. The main outcome from the review was the 'significant improvement' from the previous year.

6. Home-grown Professionals

A new partnership with Wrexham University means that Island students who take a degree in Paramedic Science can complete their clinical placements on Island.

A partnership with the University of Salford established in 2021 allows Island students who take a degree in Midwifery to complete their clinical placements on Island. This year we saw the first midwife to qualify after completing all of her practical education on Island.

7. Key initiatives in Mental Health

Several key initiatives have successfully launched, including:

- The appointment of a Domestic Violence Trained Practitioner and the introduction of a new Cognitive Behavioural Therapy (CBT) service, following on-Island training.
- The creation of a Peri-Natal Mental Health Team.
- The Mental Health First Contact Practitioner service launched in Peel and South.
- A dementia-friendly lounge was opened in ward 6 of Noble's Hospital.
- CAMHS "Talk" service for young people and their families.

8. Securing new visiting consultants with on-Island clinics

A highly qualified Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon who specialises in foot and ankle surgery is now offering on-Island initial clinic appointments and follow-up appointments.

Additionally, a joint venture between Manx Care and Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust (WWL) means that patients can now also see a Consultant Orthopaedic Shoulder Surgeon on-Island for their initial appointment and follow up rather than travelling away.

9. Opening of the Ambulatory Assessment & Treatment Unit (AATU)

AATU allows patients to remain independent by supporting same day or next day care, avoiding unnecessary hospital admissions. It also supports earlier discharge of suitable

inpatients, enabling them to return home sooner and receive follow-up care within AATU as needed.

10. Primary Care Developments

Musculoskeletal Outpatients Physiotherapy Service expanded into the community.

Manx Care took over the management of Hillside Dental Practice to continue to provide services for patients.

New Eye Care Liaison Officer is working between hospital, community, social care and third sector (Sight Matters) to deliver a needs-led, informative and responsive approach for people with sight loss.

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