

WHY?

The Last days of Life Template has been locally developed by clinicians working within the community and hospice, with the help of technical support.

The rationale for introducing an electronic template for last days of life includes:

- Local CQC reports showing poor standards of last days of life documentation
- The recognised need for ‘accountable and defensible’ documentation when a person is recognised to be dying
- Local Services moving to a ‘Paper light’ approach
- Local progress around Electronic Palliative Care Coordination Systems (EPACCS) to enable key information to be shared across services
- Feedback that the current Care Plan for End of Life is not fit for purpose
- Request for ‘less duplication and bureaucracy’ around end of life processes



Who is affected by this change?

General Practitioners and District Nurses in East Cheshire, South Cheshire & Vale Royal
 East Cheshire Hospice & St Luke’s Hospice Inpatients and East Cheshire Hospice @Home



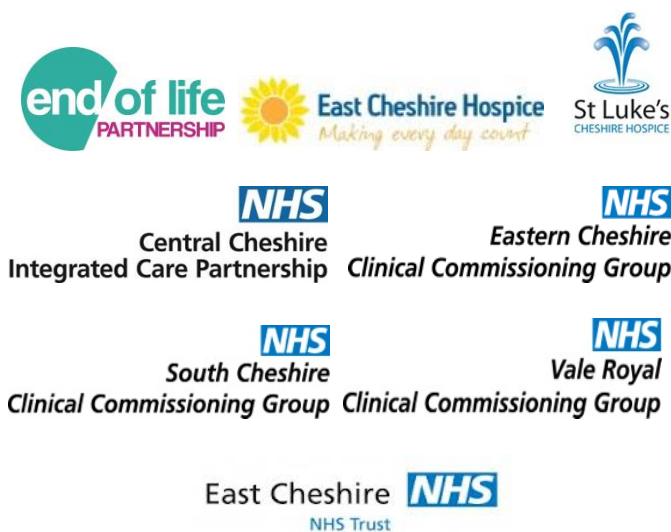
GET READY for the Launch of the “Last Days of Life” EMIS Template & Summary View



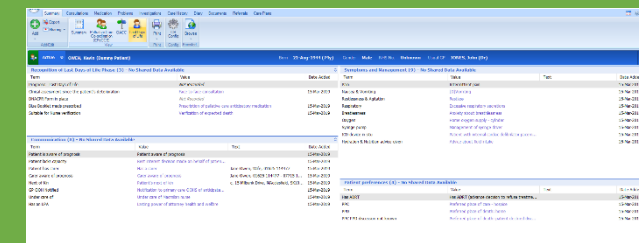
For more information including where to get advice and support please visit Cheshire EPAIGE

www.cheshire-epaige.nhs.uk
 (search “Last Days of Life template”)

Developed in Partnership with;



1. The new EMIS template is called ‘Last Days of Life’ and will be made available in EMIS by 3rd June
2. For use ONLY with patients in the last days of life
3. GP MUST complete the first 5 Fields situated at the top of the GP template
 - ✓ Last Days of Life
 - ✓ Face to face consultation completed since the patients deterioration
 - ✓ Do Not Attempt CPR form in place and up to date
 - ✓ Blue Booklet anticipatory medications prescribed and reviewed
 - ✓ Nurse Verification of Expected Death Form Completed (where applicable)
4. Only when all 5 fields have been completed by the GP the District Nurse can proceed with last days of life care planning (NB: these codes may pull through because they have previously been recorded in EMIS e.g. via EPaCCS)
5. Once completed these five fields will show in the top section of the **Last Days of Life Summary View** for District Nurses to view.



- Saving you time- no need to sign additional documentation
- Facilitating defensible documentation at the end of life
- Previously entered EPaCCS /EMIS codes will be pulled through into the new template
- Process is supported via a quick glance summary view
- Supporting resources available via Cheshire EPAIGE