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### Tell us what you think

We would like to know what you think about these proposed developments and are committed to taking account of your views during the consultation process. It would be helpful if we could receive your comments by 2nd May 2008.

### Ways in which you can make your views known

- **Complete and return the attached postage paid card.**
- **Send your comments to:**  
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### What next?

Once the consultation process has ended we will carefully consider all of the feedback and comments received before any decision is made. We will also, where possible, ensure patients, community groups and other stakeholders are informed of the outcome of the consultation.



# SANDYFORD

## NEEDS YOUR VIEWS ON DEVELOPING Sexual and Reproductive Health Services in Renfrewshire

Proposals to expand and improve  
community based services



### Introduction

NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde's Sandyford provides a wide range of reproductive health (family planning), sexual health (genitourinary medicine) and emotional health services. These include contraceptive advice and provision, counselling, library and information services, and testing and treatment for sexually transmitted infections including HIV.

Sandyford has been working with Renfrewshire Community Health Partnership to expand and improve our community based services in Renfrewshire. This leaflet outlines the proposed changes and their benefits. The proposals have been developed through discussions with people who use existing services, staff and organisations.

A similar review, previously undertaken in Greater Glasgow, Inverclyde and East Renfrewshire, led to major improvements in community provision of sexual and reproductive health services and better access for women, men and young people.

We would like your views on these proposed changes, and it would be helpful if we could receive your comments by 2nd May 2008. **(Details of where to send them appear at the end).**

### How are services organised at the moment in Renfrewshire?

Services are currently provided from six community sites in Renfrewshire as well as in the Russell Institute in Paisley. Sandyford's main Glasgow city centre base is in Sauchiehall Street and services also run in community based clinics across Greater Glasgow and Clyde Health Board.

### What are the proposed changes?

Sandyford plans to develop community clinics in Renfrewshire to offer an expanded range of sexual health services. A Sandyford Hub will be established at the Russell Institute in Paisley town centre to expand and improve the family planning and genito-urinary services currently available there. Sandyford Renfrewshire (the Russell) will open for 5 days each week and offer a choice of drop in sessions and pre-booked appointments for women, men and young people.

A number of new **Satellite clinics** will also be developed to support the work of Sandyford Renfrewshire. These smaller clinics will offer a range of general sexual health services including smear tests, contraception, pregnancy testing, and testing and treatment for sexually transmitted infections. The Satellites will be able to refer people who use existing services to Sandyford Renfrewshire or the Sandyford Glasgow city centre base for more specialist services if required.

As many of the existing community clinics in Renfrewshire do not have the space to offer additional services, it is proposed that some relocate to alternative local centres which have the accommodation and facilities required to deliver an expanded range of services. Details of proposed changes within local communities across Renfrewshire are outlined below:

#### New Satellite Clinics and other developments

- Sandyford Satellites will be established at Johnstone and Renfrew (ideally within the Health Centres) to develop and improve the family planning clinics currently available there.
- A new young people's sexual health service will be developed in Erskine.
- The existing family planning service in Ferguslie, used mainly by women, will remain and will be reviewed after one year.
- Foxbar and Linwood clinics will relocate to these other services, and to Sandyford Renfrewshire.

#### What benefits would these proposals bring?

- **Wider range of services** - the new Sandyford clinics will provide a wider range of services, including many not currently available in the community
- **Better access for all** - current services are used mainly by women, the new clinics will better address the needs of women, men and young people.

- **More accessible services** - Sandyford clinics would offer both drop in sessions and pre-booked appointments. Smear tests, pregnancy testing, contraception and emergency contraception would also be available at Sandyford Satellite clinics
- **Better accommodation** - patients using the new Sandyford clinics would have access to better accommodation and facilities including consulting/ treatment rooms and a dedicated waiting area.

#### When would the proposed changes take place?

Renfrewshire CHP and Sandyford are committed to developing services at the Russell Institute into Sandyford Renfrewshire, and this should happen by Summer 2008.

We wish to establish the Sandyford Satellite clinics in Johnstone and Renfrew during 2008. These clinics would then be monitored and evaluated to help inform future service delivery.

#### Additional information

Copies of the consultation paper can be obtained from the **Changes Affecting You** section of the NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde web site [www.nhsggc.org.uk](http://www.nhsggc.org.uk) or by telephoning Sandyford on **0141 232 8443**.

**PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN BY 2ND MAY 2008**

Do you support the general principle of expanding and improving community based sexual health services? If no, can you tell us why?  yes  no

Do you have any specific comments about any of the proposed changes?