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**INTEGRATED CARE**  
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# Bury Winter Update 2025-26

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Prior to Winter the Bury UEC System commenced planning for the anticipated Winter pressures. This planning process was reported to the Health Scrutiny Committee. The following is a requested update on the robustness of the arrangements and planning process to date (23.2.26).

- Firstly, it should be noted that as at 23.2.26 the UEC system is still considered to be in the winter alert mode.
- The Bury UEC System, continues, to performed very well, winter planning arrangements, were and remain effective.
- The main goal of winter planning is to try and assure that the local hospital and other services across the UEC partnership do not hit OPEL 4. To date this has been achieved.
- Over the holiday period system wide BH/Weekend conference calls worked well
- Primary Care Surge and Respiratory Hubs worked well to reduce pressure on GP practices and potential A&E attendances
- Flu vaccination rates were very good and in some categories were the best report rates in GM.
- Public Health Infection control and the BARDOC antiviral service worked well to support Care Home Outbreaks
- Our pharmacy's continued to see patients under pharmacy first
- The front door arrangements at FGH helped to support lots of people to avoid A&E
- IMC services and daily contact across services help to maintain good flow through the hospital
- During occasional spikes in attendances, it was noted by the CQC specifically noted that corridor care was limited and delt with quickly each morning