

NHS organisations joining together



Taunton and Somerset 
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Taunton and Somerset NHS Foundation Trust and Somerset Partnership NHS Foundation Trust want to join together to be one big organisation.

This means that we want the services at Musgrove Park Hospital and the health services where you live to be run by one organisation.



We want this to happen because we need to change how health services are provided in Somerset.



People are living longer and tend to have more things wrong with their health. We need to help them as much as we can.



More people are using health services, like going to see their doctor or going to hospital. This means that we need to make sure hospital and community services work well together.



We need to do things in a cheaper way. Often, treating people in hospital costs a lot, and isn't as effective as treating people closer to their home.



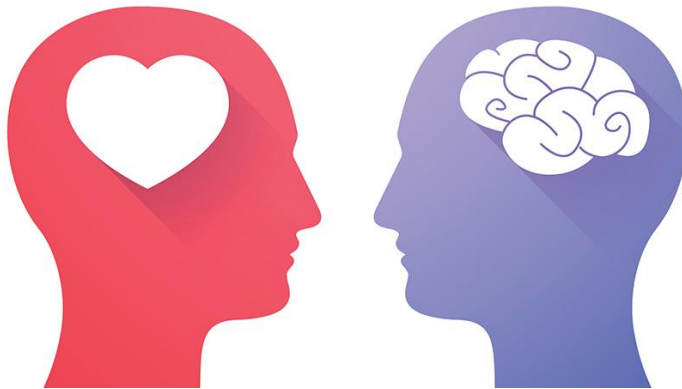
People will be treated closer to their homes. People will only go to hospital if they are really poorly.



We will ask you what help you need.



We will work closely with GPs and charities to join up services. We will make sure that mental health, learning disability and hospital services are all joined up.



We want to make sure that everybody is treated the same, whether they have mental health or physical health needs.



We also want staff to be happier, so that more will come, and more will stay.



We will be able to give you faster, better care.



You can tell us what you think about this. Email brightideas@sompar.nhs.uk or brightideas@tst.nhs.uk