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# COVID-19 – An update

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# Headlines

- We will **not** avoid this
- Best estimate is, we are about 10-14 days behind London



# Agenda

- The current STH position
- STH Actions
- National actions underway



# The current STH position

- A number of inpatients, including in critical care, but currently relatively low numbers
- Handful of admissions each day, but increasing
- Higher levels of absence than normal through a combination of sickness and self isolation



# STH actions - our approach

- Plan, prepare, delay
- Ramping up
- Peak
- Recovery
- The new normal



# STH actions - our approach

- Plan, prepare, delay

- Ramping up

7-10 days

- Peak

- Recovery

- The new normal

National modelling suggests the length of this period is critically dependent on social distancing compliance, by an order of weeks

# STH actions – current issues

- ALL of us will need to work differently
- Bronze / Silver / Gold – is the core of how we are running the organisation
- PPE – imperative that we adhere to the guidance
- Vulnerable staff groups guidance e.g. over 70, pregnant, significant morbidities etc.
- We have introduced staff testing
- Changing BAU – EPR, annual leave, complaints process
- Significant offers around staff well-being and support



# STH actions – plans underway

- Obligatory care
- Detailed clinical guidance e.g. chemotherapy
- Surgical Command MDT – covering both campuses
- Medical Admissions Commander
- Workforce oversight to deploy nursing, AHP and medical staff in real time
- Critical care capacity and locations





# National actions underway

- Rolling out staff testing
- Nightingale centres – plans for London, Birmingham & Manchester. Now announced for Harrogate.
- National clinical guidance



# Questions

