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Project Title	Observations of ongoing management of stroke patients discharged from healthcare services across the Oxford AHSN footprint during the COVID-19 pandemic.
Duration	September 2020 to October 2021
Project Partners	 Oxford Academic Health Science Network Bayer plc
What was the issue to be addressed?	 The aim of the project was to use in-depth qualitative analysis to provide an understanding of the impact of the changes to the provision of stroke rehabilitation as a result of COVID-19 planning. This understanding will then be used to enable the NHS to identify potential solutions and system changes to optimise current and future patient care.
What was the intervention?	 Engagement with stroke rehabilitation services across Buckinghamshire, Oxfordshire and Berkshire West (BOB) Integrated Care System (ICS) Stakeholder interviews Virtual Stakeholder workshop using Systematic Inventive Thinking (SIT) methodology to identify embedded service changes and potential future service improvements Landscape review of stroke rehabilitation adaptation during COVID-19
What were the results?	 Analysis of how stroke services have adapted to cope with constraints created by the pandemic Understanding of the impact of adapted services on both staff and patients Identification of key elements of service delivery that have the potential to deliver ongoing service improvement post-pandemic Recommendations regarding service improvement for consideration by Integrated Stroke Delivery Networks (ISDNs)