Department of Health - Sláintecare & Age Friendly Ireland
Healthy Homes Programme – Phase 1

21st April 2021
Working in Partnership

• **Sláintecare** is the ten-year Programme to transform our health and social care services. It is the roadmap for building a world-class health and social care service for Irish people. The Sláintecare vision is to achieve a universal single-tier health and social care system where everyone has equal access to services based on need, and not ability to pay.

• **Age Friendly Ireland**, an appointed shared service function of local government hosted by Meath County Council, brings together, supports and provides technical guidance to the 31 Local Authority led, multi-agency Age Friendly City & County Programmes across Ireland delivering the goals and objectives of the World Health Organisations Age Friendly Global Framework.
Research & Evidence

- SLIOTAR Housing Research | Housing for Older Peoples | Future Perspectives
- Healthy & Positive Ageing Initiative | HaPAI Baseline
- Older People Remaining at Home (OPRaH)
- Consultation with over 25,000 older people over the past decade
- Story so Far | Capturing Evidence of Good Practice
- Housing Options for Our Ageing Population
- Thinking Ahead | Housing Agency
- Rigthsizing Research Report
Healthy Homes Programme  |  Objectives

1. Support the avoidance of early or premature admission to long term residential care

2. Enable older people to continue living in their homes or in a home more suited to their needs (Rightsizing)

3. Live with a sense of independence and autonomy, and

4. Be and feel part of their communities
Supporting people to live independently

All stakeholders collaborating to integrate housing, health and social care services as part of a long-term programme to improve and streamline care for our ageing population

- **HealthCare**: Acute Care, Community/Primary based services - GP access, Public Health, Occupational Therapy, Physiotherapy, Chronic Disease management, Signposting, Case management, Early interventions

- **Physical Environment**: Housing (Choice); Housing Adaptations, Energy Upgrades & Retrofits; Location & Placemaking; Public Realm; Outdoor Spaces; Accessibility

- **Social & Community**: Access to Transport, Information & Communication, Community services, physical activity, social supports & outlets (social activities, libraries, post office, shops, banks, recreation areas)

- **Technological**: Telehealth, Telecare, Smart Technologies, Broadband, Digital Connectivity, Staying Connected, Remote interaction

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Site Selection Cont...

- 9 sites were identified as host counties.
- Letters of invitation to participate were issued to Chief Executives on 1 February 2021 for final agreement on 3 February 2021.
- The final list of Local Authority areas selected to participate in the Healthy Homes Programme | Phase 1 are:

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National Manager – Health Homes Programme | Phase 1

- Implementing the **National Programme Plan**
- Supporting & line/performance management of the 9 Local Coordinator’s
- Providing **overall operational management** to the programme
- **Provision of Reporting** to a National Steering & Advisory Committee
- **Engagement with key agencies** including HSE, Local Authority, Gardai, voluntary & community sector, transport providers and others
- Provide technical guidance | tools & resources
- In partnership with **Maynooth University**, develop a **monitoring and evaluation process**
- Completing **regular reports** on the progress of the programme to the Chief Officer
- **National Policy Objectives** | Identification of critical challenges & key opportunities
- **Design & Build** | Evaluate methodology | Inform potential scale to Phase 2
Local Coordinator – Health Homes Programme | Phase 1

- Develop a population & area profile of the county/city
- Identify and secure the support of senior managers in key agencies
- Host Stakeholder Engagement session
- Establish a local system for referrals to the programme
- Work closely with the Age Friendly Programme Manager, Age Friendly Technical Advisor, Interdepartmental Group and & key staff in Housing
- Commence caseload management
- Continue to review the support plan and assess the effectiveness of supports
- Ensure, where possible, existing initiatives are utilised to support people
- Complete regular reports
- Support the development of the programme nationally
- Contribute to the strategic and policy recommendations through the National Programme Manager
- Ensure that work programmes are implemented within allocated budgets
- Participate in the Research and Evaluation
Operational Plan

Recruitment

• 1x National Healthy Homes Prog Manager, to oversee the role out of the national programme and ensure it meets its goals and objectives

• 9 x Local Coordinators in each LA area, aligned to a community healthcare network and/or ICPOP - responsible for carrying out a comprehensive assessment of a person’s health, housing and community, technology and social care needs

Develop Relationships

• Existing Local Structures
  • Community Health Networks
  • ICPOP
  • MDTs
  • Age Friendly Alliances

Mapping

• Asset and Service Mapping
• Signpost to wraparound services and supports (multi-agency, multi-sectoral providers)
• Signpost to Housing Grants (HAGS, MAGS, HOPS) Energy Efficiency Grants, Home Share, Rightsizing

Methodology

• Develop a person centered individualised suite of supports to meet their particular needs, preferences and priorities
• Provide greater access to a wide range of existing supports
• Connect the older person with the required supports
• Collaboration and Partnership in an integrated way at local level across statutory, non-statutory and private service providers
• Escalation of local barriers/challenges

Referral Process

• Develop an adoptable and replicable model for wider scale roll out

Evaluation

• Secure an understanding
• of the impact of the programme on
• health and wellbeing
• quality of life
• integrated working relationships
• cost savings generated.
Timelines

- Recruitment – Quarter 1, Year 1
- Develop Operational Relationships – Quarter 2, Year 1
- Establish Referral Process – Quarter 2, Year 1
- Care Planning and coordination of Services – Ongoing throughout
- Escalation of local barriers/challenges - Ongoing throughout
- Development of a methodology for wider scale rollout - Ongoing throughout
- Evaluation – Interim Year 1, Final Year 2
Reporting

- **Local Coordinators** will be hosted at local level with line management, reporting and performance management to the National Manager – Healthy Homes Programme | Phase 1 in the Age Friendly Ireland Shared Service and at local level to the Age Friendly Alliance.

- The **National Manager** will report directly to Chief Officer, Age Friendly Ireland.

- Following the agreement of the Programme Plan progress will be reported back to the National Oversight Group on at least a bi-monthly basis, **reporting on:**
  - Delivery of the KPIs set out in the Programme Plan. The KPIs and targets will need to be agreed and may include number of referrals made, number of housing adaptations, number of energy upgrades. KPIs, once agreed upon, will be reported on a regular basis, and will form part of the evaluation phase in conjunction with Maynooth University.
  - A final evaluation and report on the project after two years.
Evaluation

• Monitoring and evaluation is crucial to securing an understanding of the impact of the programme on health and wellbeing, quality of life, integrated working relationships and cost savings generated.

• Monitoring of this programme will be carried out by Maynooth University. Academic professionals will design a full evaluation process that will capture the impact of the programme on the older person’s experience, health and wellbeing outcomes, access to transport and other services, home improvements, cost savings to the health service, budget spend within the local authority on housing grants.