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## Trust's App-etite for improving patient services

South Tyneside NHS Foundation Trust's innovative, new App is now available free to the public. It offers patients and carers a quick and easy way to find out about the services which the Trust provides in hospitals in South Tyneside and in the community in South Tyneside, Gateshead and Sunderland. They can also use it to say what they think about those services and thereby help to shape them for the future via the Friends and Family Test and special feedback sections.

Martin Alexander, the Trust's Director of Information Services, said: "We are very excited about the App, which can be downloaded free on an Android or Apple device. It has some features which should be of real interest to the population we serve. For example, it provides detailed information about our services, which can be easily located with our interactive maps. App users can also get the Trust's latest news."

Mike Robson, Executive Director, Finance and Corporate Governance, added: "Our Trust's ambition is to be the premier combined hospital, community and wellbeing provider in the North East by 2020. To achieve that, we have to be at the forefront in using modern technology. This new App is just one demonstration of our commitment to provide local people with the best possible access to our services."

The App was developed in partnership by the Trust's web development team and Winchester Innovation Ltd.**ends**

*Pictured above: South Tyneside NHS Foundation Trust's Director of Information Services Martin Alexander, second from left, with members of his team, left to right, David Pratt, Roland Peacock and Chris Purvis*

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