A cross-partner team working at King’s College Hospital is reducing alcohol-related admissions to A&E by assessing and identifying the best treatment options.

**King’s Health Partners**

**Alcohol Care Team**

One year on...

91% of alcohol-related referrals from the Emergency Department of the hospital are seen within 1 hour.

98% of alcohol-related referrals from the hospital ward are seen within 24 hours.

Alcohol-related admissions have reduced by 2.6 days from 6.3 days to 3.7 days since the Alcohol Care Team started, freeing up time for staff to support more patients.

This equates to a potential annual saving of:

£536,000

The team has diverted 50% of all alcohol-related visits to A&E to other sources of support, equating to 2,000 beds freed up in the hospital since October 2018 for patients who need them most.

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