

The Health Dilemma

What is it?

A group activity that supports development in teamwork, how to communicate effectively, leadership, working towards a deadline, critical thinking, decision making, roles and responsibilities, time management, etc

Each group of students is now the management decision making team for the BENIGN Health Authority.

Last year they had a budget of £2,470,000, unfortunately this year their budget has been reduced to £1,000,000. It is their job to allocate money to different patient treatment options. There is no right or wrong answer, just some really difficult **choices**. All the patients are deserving, there just isn't enough money to go around. If everyone was treated it would come to well over the budget of £1 million and could cause someone in the group!

They have to present their recommendations as a group (everyone presenting) to a board of senior leaders at J&J and Senior BTE Mentors.

Financial Evaluation					
Treatment/ Therapy Needed	Key Reasons For Choice: record notes for presentation:	Average Age of Patient	POD Choice of no. of patients to treat	Cost of Treatment	Total must not exceed £1m
Prostate Cancer Treatment	Older age. Hereditary or from lack of exercise. Can only prolong life.	72	13	£30,000	£390,000
Heart Bypass Operation	Most patients are smokers. Ethical issue.	60	10	£9,000	£90,000
HIV + Patients	High amount of people affected in UK	43	25	£6,000	£150,000
Hepatitis C Cure	Can be classified as cured, if there is no detection in blood after three months of treatment.	40	5	£20,000	£100,000
Hip Replacement Operation Option 1		50-80	0	£15,000	£0
Hip Replacement Operation Option 2	Cheaper treatment. Able to treat more people.	50-80	12	£10,000	£120,000
Meningitis Inoculations	Herd immunity. If worried, can go private for vaccination.	3	789	£190	£149,910
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Money Left To Spend					£90

Utilized our budget as best as possible. Based on ethical opinions, as well as what would be most efficient towards NHS and towards taxpayers.

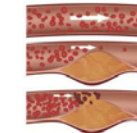


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Heart Bypass operation



- A heart Bypass operation is a surgical operation to treat coronary heart disease. Coronary heart disease is caused by the gradual build up of fat. The average life expectancy is 60.
- We have decided to spend £270,000 on all of the thirty patients because the survival rate is high.



The Outcomes:

1 Grow in skills such as teamwork, communication, presenting to an audience, critical thinking, decision making, building an argument / business case

2 Boost confidence in presenting in a corporate setting and they receive individual and team feedback. Helps them not be phased when having to do the same thing for university or employment

3 STEM related activity that opens their perspective to different roles in healthcare

