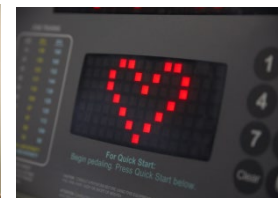
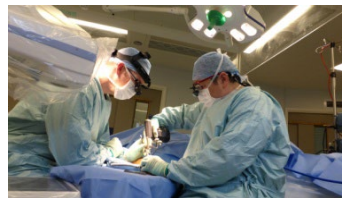




# Marie Curie REACT

## Responsive Emergency Assessment and Community Team

**Lucy Wyld**  
**Palliative Medicine Consultant**



# Case for change

Goal: Equity in access and quality of personalised care, delivered sustainably



## National outlier

- hospital use at the end of life



## Inequality

- large variations across BDC in outcomes for patients at the end of life



## Unmet patient need



## Impact on Acute Care

- stretched Emergency Department
- restricted hospital bed capacity
- unnecessary resource expenditure

# Marie Curie REACT



## 3-year pilot

Funded through social impact bond,  
Social Finance UK



## Collaboration

BTHFT and Marie Curie



## Aims

Reduce avoidable hospital admissions  
Provide quality end of life care to all, focus on  
underserved communities

# Marie Curie REACT : 2 Arms

## ED REACT



### Palliative Care in A&E

- Consultant-led
- Proactive patient identification
- Palliative care assessment
- Advance care planning
- Initiate management plan

## Community REACT

(72 hours)



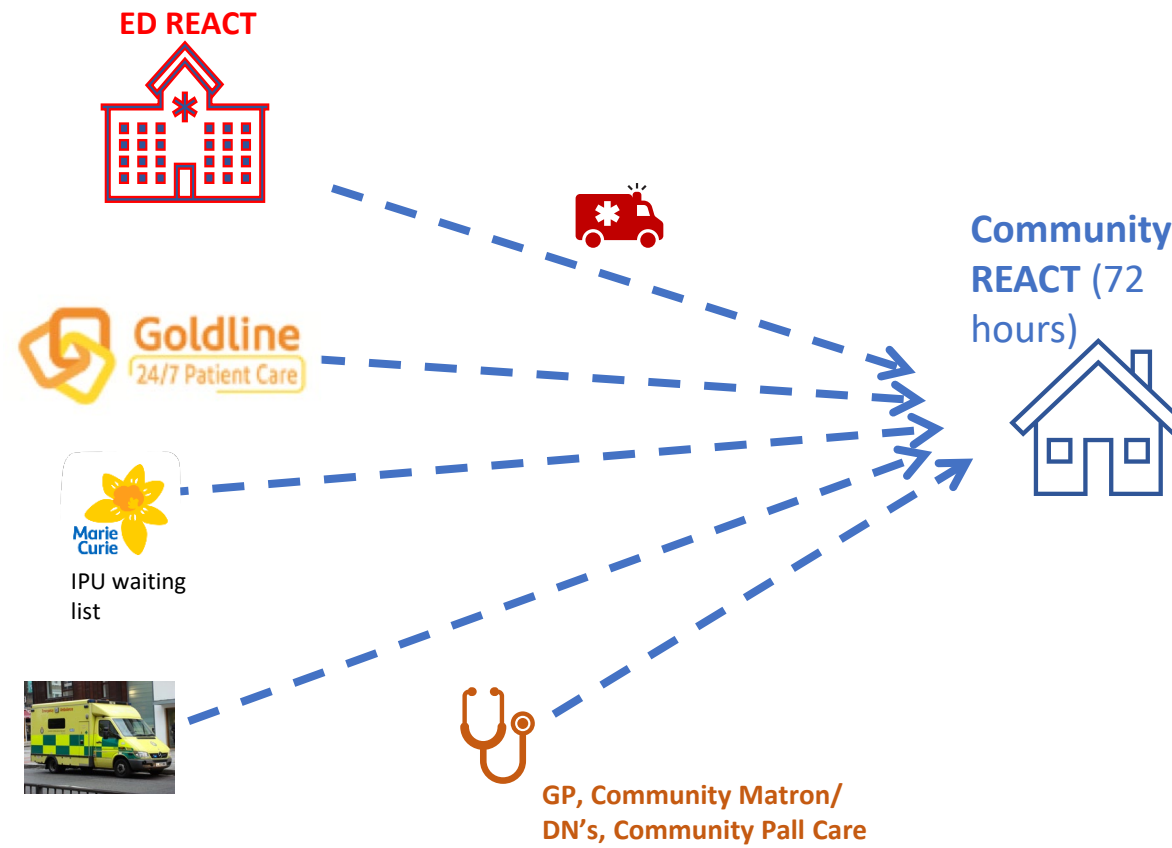
### Multidisciplinary community REACT team

- Rapid response (<4hrs)
- Assessment , management
- Additional care, equipment, medication
- Emotional support/advice



Medical responsibility lies with Palliative Care Consultant

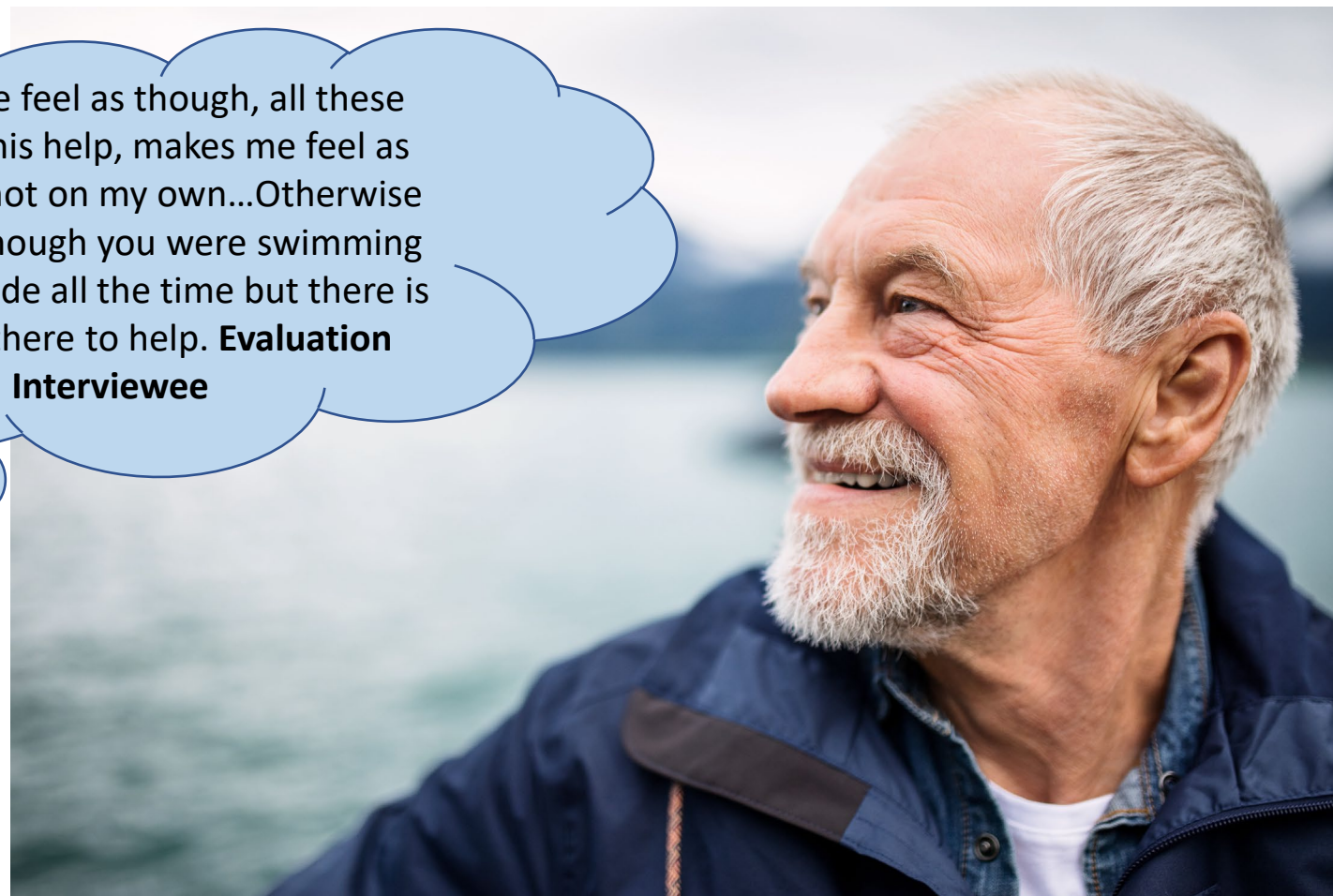
# Phase 2



# Peter's Story

It makes me feel as though, all these things, all this help, makes me feel as though I'm not on my own...Otherwise it'd feel as though you were swimming against the tide all the time but there is someone there to help. **Evaluation**

**Interviewee**



# Year 1



Bradford Teaching Hospitals  
NHS Foundation Trust

- 426 patients
- Significant reduction in hospital use
  - >50% reduction in hospital bed days in last year of life (38 vs 17 unplanned bed days)
- Improving access
- Patient and staff experience
  - Person-centered approach increases feelings of security and reassurance
  - Improved staff confidence
  - Support for moral distress
- System- wide working
- Financially sustainable
  - First year suggests 2:1 return on investment.

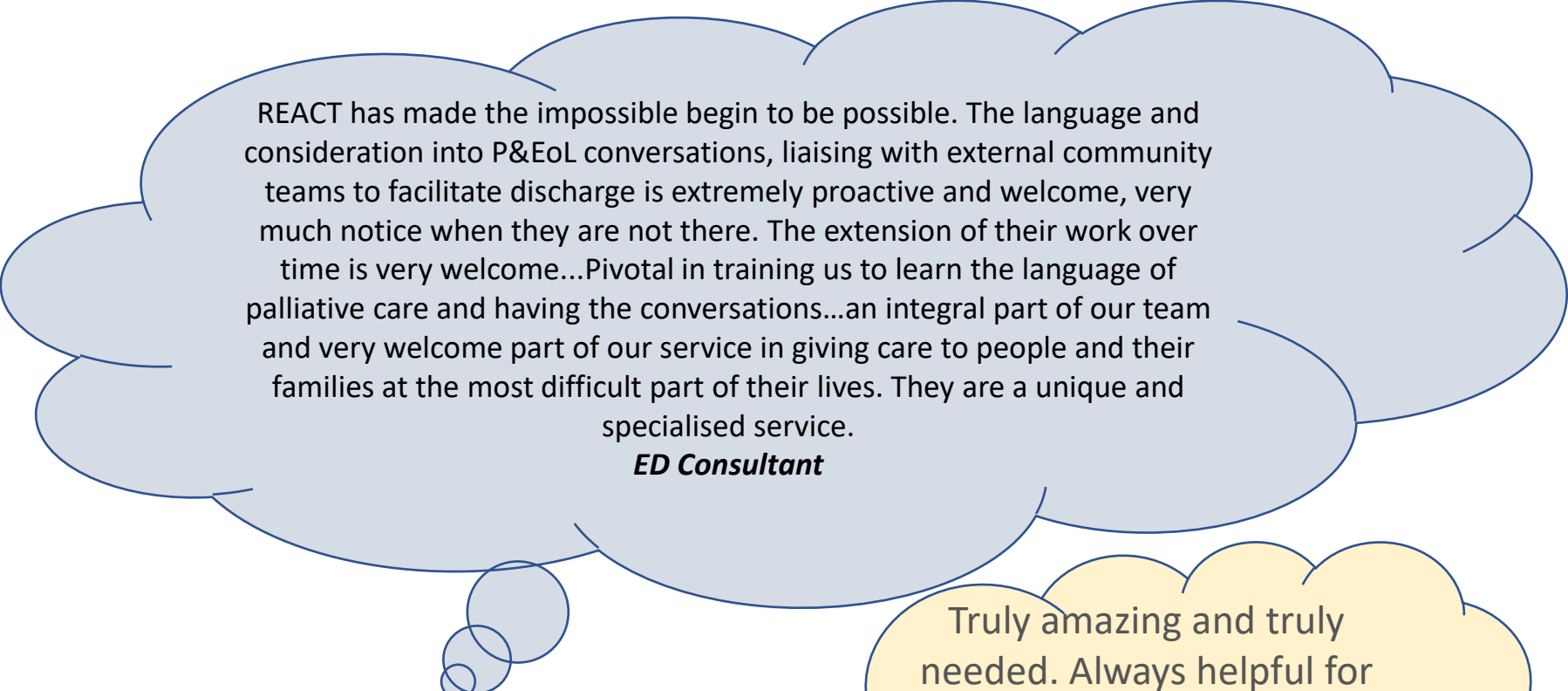


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# Thank you

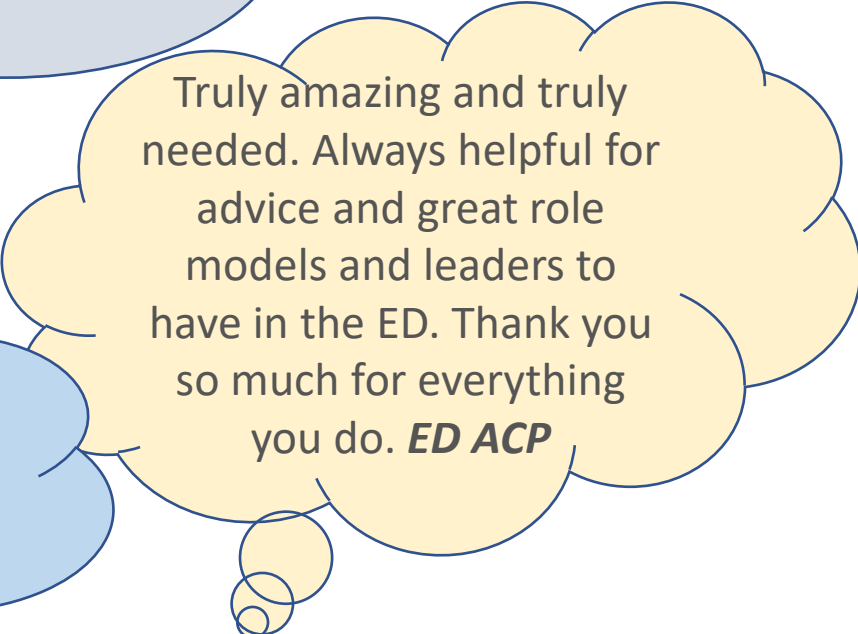
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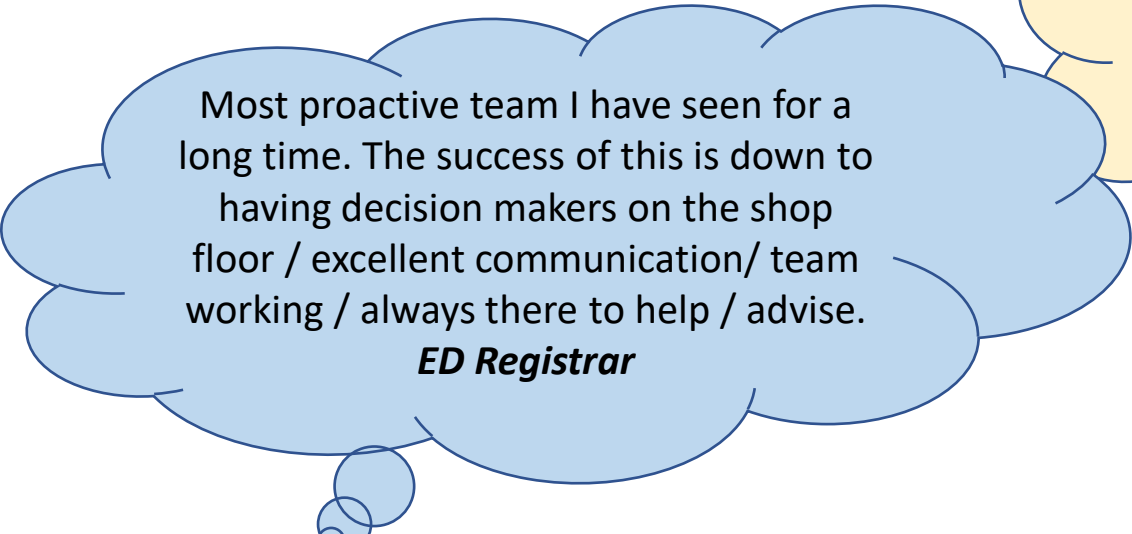


REACT has made the impossible begin to be possible. The language and consideration into P&EoL conversations, liaising with external community teams to facilitate discharge is extremely proactive and welcome, very much notice when they are not there. The extension of their work over time is very welcome...Pivotal in training us to learn the language of palliative care and having the conversations...an integral part of our team and very welcome part of our service in giving care to people and their families at the most difficult part of their lives. They are a unique and specialised service.

***ED Consultant***



Truly amazing and truly needed. Always helpful for advice and great role models and leaders to have in the ED. Thank you so much for everything you do. ***ED ACP***



Most proactive team I have seen for a long time. The success of this is down to having decision makers on the shop floor / excellent communication/ team working / always there to help / advise.

***ED Registrar***