



## Executive summary of Joint Working Outputs

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<b>Project title</b>	RF-AZ HF Project
<b>Duration</b>	July 2021 – July 2022
<b>Project partners</b>	Royal Free London NHS Foundation Trust and AstraZeneca UK Ltd
<b>What was the issue to be addressed?</b>	The issue addressed was the need for increased specialist input and improved coordination between primary and secondary care to better manage and treat heart failure patients at Royal Free London’s hospitals.
<b>What were the results?</b>	<p>At Barnet Hospital, Heart Failure patients receiving specialist input saw a 3.4% increase in 2021/22 compared to 2020/21.[1] Partly due to the increased specialist nurse capacity, there was a noteworthy 13.01% uptick in patients receiving input from a cardiologist. [1] While the impact on long-term patient outcomes continues to be measured, the positive interim results led the Trust to maintain and fund the enhanced capacity of the heart function clinic.</p> <p>Enhanced collaboration between primary and secondary care is projected to reduce heart failure admissions in the future, although supporting data is yet to be obtained.</p> <p>[1] Royal Free, data on file</p>

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