

Report from the Quality and Governance Committee meeting held on 29 June 2017

Situation

The Quality and Governance Committee is a Committee of the Foundation Trust Board of Directors and reports on a regular basis on its work. This report summarises the main points arising from the meeting held on 29 June 2017.

Background

The work of the Quality and Governance Committee supports the delivery of the Foundation Trust's strategic objectives. This report is for information purposes and the next report to the Board of Directors on the work of the Quality and Governance Committee will be in September 2017.

Assessment

The Quality and Governance Committee at its most recent meeting focussed mainly on the following issues:

- **Key Lines of Enquiry:** the Committee were updated on relevant issues including the recent cyber attack, diabetic and high risk foot service, CAMHS crisis, fire risks, and National Quality Board guidance on learning from deaths ;
- **CQC and HMP Whitemoor action plans – update report:** the Committee was updated on the status of requirement notices from the CQC and recent prison inspections;
- **Quality Forum and patient safety:** the Quality and Governance Committee received an update from the Quality Forum, which is the 'engine room of quality' across the organisation. The update highlighted current issues for members, areas of good practice and risks and mitigations across the organisation;
- **Mental Health Act/Mental Capacity Act scrutiny report:** the Committee received a scrutiny report which included an update on changes in the law regarding Section 136, and a positive improvement on training figures, and were assured in this regard;
- **Delivering and monitoring safer staffing:** the Committee was updated on relevant issues on delivering and monitoring safer staffing in NHFT and were assured in this regard;
- **Recruitment plan to ensure NHFT has the workforce to deliver a high quality of care:** the Committee received a report detailing work being undertaken to ensure the successful recruitment of high quality staff and was assured on the actions being taken;
- **Annual Organisational Audit update position:** the Committee was updated on the latest position in relation to data issues with the national AOA audit. The Committee was partially assured in respect of the position, subject to the agreed actions planned to gain further assurance;
- **Trust Policy Board:** the Committee received a report detailing the status of Trust policies and was assured in this respect;
- **Feedback from Quality and Governance Committee workshop:** the Committee received feedback on the recent workshop on prison services;

- **Annual review of Quality and Governance Committee Terms of Reference:** the Committee's Terms of Reference were reviewed and are appended to this report for formal ratification by the Board of Directors;
- **Changes in provider of non-emergency patient transport** the Committee received an update on the new service provider for patient transport and associated risks. The commissioners of this contract is Nene and Corby CCG
- **Organisational Risk Register:** the status of quality and governance risks in the organisation was discussed and the committee agreed to add to new risks to the Organisational Risk Register, these are CAHMS crisis and change in non-emergency patient transport.

Recommendation

The Board of Directors is asked to:

- note the report of the Quality and Governance Committee meeting held on 29 June 2017 and the level of assurance it provides on the Committee's work;
- endorse the proposed revisions to the Quality & Governance Committee Terms of Reference.

Governance table

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Date submitted:	14 July 2017	
DIGB Q strategic alignment:	Develop	√
	Innovate	√
	Grow	√
	Build	√
	Quality	√
Organisational Risk Register considerations:	Failure to comply with regulatory requirements: not currently identified as an ORR issue.	Implementation of the recommendations will support continued compliance with regulatory requirements.
FOMI considerations:	None believed to apply	
Equality considerations:	None believed to apply	