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**NHS VALE OF YORK CLINICAL
COMMISSIONING GROUP**



GOVERNING BODY MEETING

Vale of York
Clinical Commissioning Group

Meeting Date: 7 March 2013

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1. Title of Paper: Chief Clinical Officer Report

2. Strategic Objectives supported by this paper

1. Improve healthcare outcomes
2. Reduce health inequalities
3. Improve the quality and safety of commissioned services
4. Improve efficiency
5. Achieve financial balance

3. Executive Summary

This report provides an update on a number of meetings which have taken place during the last month and associated issues.

4. Evidence Base

Not applicable

5. Risks relating to proposals in this paper

Not applicable

6. Summary of any finance / resource implications

Not applicable

7. Any statutory / regulatory / legal / NHS Constitution implications

Not applicable

8. Equality Impact Assessment

Not applicable

9. Any related work with stakeholders or communications plan

Not applicable

10. Recommendations / Action Required

The Governing Body is asked to note the Chief Clinical Officer Report.

11. Assurance

Not applicable

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Chief Clinical Officer Report

1. Authorisation

- 1.1 The most significant event in the last month has been the authorisation of the CCG and our becoming a statutory body. We now have an official NHS title: **NHS Vale of York CCG**.
- 1.2 This achievement is the result of all the hard work of the small team of staff that we have had at the Vale of York CCG over the last 18 months.
- 1.3 We have 9 remaining conditions, of which 4 are level IV. These require the NHS Commissioning Board (NHS CB) to oversee the production of our financial plans and in order to do this they will supply us with some extra, very senior support. We have had discussions with the NHS CB and are confident that this will be a very positive development for the CCG.

2. Vale of York CCG Staff

- 2.1 We have reviewed capacity in the CCG and the staff team will double in size. We are in the process of filling 20 vacancies, so far we have had an excellent response to the adverts we have placed and we are confident of recruiting some more excellent staff.
- 2.2 We have some temporary staff in place and we are working with the Commissioning Support Unit to provide additional support in this critical period leading up to contracts being signed with providers for the coming year.

3. Secondary Care Doctor

We are pleased to welcome the latest member of the Governing Body, Dr Guy Porter, who is our "Secondary Care Specialist" member.

4. Finance

- 4.1 The financial position of the CCG has improved over the last month and the PCT deficit, that we will inherit, has come down to less than £10 million.

4.2 However at the most recent City of York Council Overview and Scrutiny Committee the Chief executive of York Teaching Hospital NHS Foundation Trust reported that his organisation was now in deficit. This is concentrating minds locally as to how we can drive down costs but maintain activity and quality.

5. Francis Report

We are currently giving detailed consideration to the Francis Report and will be having a workshop following the meeting (7 March) to look at the implications for the CCG and local organisations.

6. Action Required

The Governing Body is asked to note the Chief Clinical Officer Report.