

North Yorkshire and Humber Commissioning Support Unit

Equality Impact Analysis: Form

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1. Equality Impact Analysis					
Policy / Project / Function:	Whistleblowing Policy				
Date of Analysis:	1/7/2013				
This Equality Impact Analysis was completed by: (Name and Department)	Janet Thacker HR Department				
What are the aims and intended effects of this policy, project or function?	 encourage employees to feel confident in raising serious concerns regarding the practice of the Organisation, provide avenues for employees to raise those concerns and receive feedback on any action taken, ensure that employees receive a response to their concerns, 				
Please list any other policies that are related to or referred to as part of this analysis	 Fraud and Bribery (Public Interest Disclosure) Disciplinary Policy Equality and Diversity Policy Standards of Business Conduct 				
	✓ Employees Yes				
Who does the policy, project or function affect ? Please Tick ✓	Service Users				
	Members of the Public				
	Other (List Below)				

2. Equality Impact Analysis: Screening Could this policy have a Could this policy have a Is there any evidence which already exists from previous positive impact on... negative impact on... (e.g. from previous engagement) to evidence this impact Yes Yes No No **√** ✓ Race ✓ Age ✓ ✓ **Sexual Orientation** ✓ **Disabled People** ✓ ✓ Gender **Transgender People** ✓ ✓ **Pregnancy and Maternity** ✓ **Marital Status** ✓ ✓ **Religion and Belief** As the procedure is written in English there is a potential impact on employees whose first language is not English and therefore may struggle reading the policy. However this potential impact is minimised due to the publicised confidential helpline which can explain the process and inform the employee. Reasoning

If there is no positive or negative impact on any of the Nine Protected Characteristics go to Section 7

3. Equality Impact Analysis: Local Profile Data

Local Profile/Demography of the Groups affected (population figures)

This is an employment policy and therefore workforce data is more relevant to this Impact Assessment

General	Total number of employees in the CSU 397
Age	12% of staff employed are under 30
	11% of staff are over 55
	77 % are aged 30-55 with the largest group (18%) aged 41-45
Race	361 staff employed in the CSU are White (90.93%)
	7 staff are Non-white (1.77%)
	29 staff are not stated/undefined (7.3%)
Sex	263 staff employed are female (66.25%)
	134 staff employed are male (33.75%)
Gender reassignment	No information at this stage –see Equality and Diversity EIA action plan
Disability	52 % of staff employed declared themselves as having no disability
	1% of staff declared a disability
	46.6% did not declare /undefined
Sexual Orientation	45% of staff described themselves as heterosexual
	0.5.% described themselves as bisexual and 0.25% as gay
	54% did not wish to respond /undefined
Religion, faith and belief	Christianity is the largest religious group declared by staff in the CSU (30%)
	59% were undefined or did not wish to declare
Marriage and civil partnership	73% of employees are married. No employees are in a civil partnership

Pregnancy and	No information yet as the CSU has not been established long enough
maternity	to build meaningful data

4. Equality Impact Analysis: Equality Data Available

Is any Equality Data available relating to the use or implementation of this policy, project or function?

Equality data is internal or external information that may indicate how the activity being analysed can affect different groups of people who share the nine *Protected Characteristics* – referred to hereafter as 'Equality Groups'.

Examples of *Equality Data* include: (this list is not definitive)

- 1. Application success rates Equality Groups
- 2. Complaints by Equality Groups
- 3. Service usage and withdrawal of services by Equality Groups
- 4. Grievances or decisions upheld and dismissed by *Equality Groups*
- 5. Previous EIAs

Yes

✓ No

Where you have answered yes, please incorporate this data when performing the *Equality Impact Assessment Test* (the next section of this document).

List any Consultation e.g. with employees, service users, Unions or members of the public that has taken place in the development or implementation of this policy, project or function

Consultation has taken place both locally and nationally with Trade Unions and staff

Promoting Inclusivity
How does the project,
service or function
contribute towards our aims
of eliminating discrimination
and promoting equality and
diversity within our
organisation

This Policy does not directly promote inculsivity, however, should any concerns be raised about discrimination in the use of the policy, it will provide a tool to address such concerns

5. Equality Impact Analysis: Assessment Test

What impact will the implementation of this policy, project or function have on employees, service users or other people who share characteristics protected by *The Equality Act 2010*?

Protected Characteristic:	No Impact:	Positive Impact:	Negative Impact:	Evidence of impact and if applicable, justification where a <i>Genuine Determining Reason</i> exists
Gender (Men and Women)	√			
Race (All Racial Groups)	√			
Disability (Mental and Physical)	✓			
Religion or Belief	~			
Sexual Orientation (Heterosexual, Homosexual and Bisexual)	√			

Equality Impact Analysis: Assessment Test (continued)

What impact will the implementation of this policy, project or function have on employees, service users or other people who share characteristics protected by *The Equality Act 2010*?

Protected Characteristic:	No Impact:	Positive Impact:	Negative Impact:	Evidence of impact and if applicable, justification where a <i>Genuine Determining Reason</i> exists
Pregnancy and Maternity	√			
Transgender	√			
Marital Status	√			
Age	√			

6. Action Planning

As a result of performing this analysis, what actions are proposed to remove or reduce any risks of adverse outcomes identified on employees, service users or other people who share characteristics protected by *The Equality Act 2010*?

Identified Risk:	Recommended Actions:	Responsible Lead:	Completion Date:	Review Date:

7. Equality Impact Analysis Findings				
Analysis Rating:	□Red	□ Red/Amber	□Amber	✓ Green

		Actions	Wording for Policy / Project / Function
Red Stop and remove the policy	Red: As a result of performing the analysis, it is evident that a risk of discrimination exists (direct, indirect, unintentional or otherwise) to one or more of the nine groups of people who share Protected Characteristics. It is recommended that the use of the policy be suspended until further work or analysis is performed.	Remove the policy Complete the action plan above to identify the areas of discrimination and the work or actions which needs to be carried out to minimise the risk of discrimination.	No wording needed as policy is being removed
Red Amber Continue the policy	As a result of performing the analysis, it is evident that a risk of discrimination exists (direct, indirect, unintentional or otherwise) to one or more of the nine groups of people who share <i>Protected Characteristics</i> . However, a genuine determining reason may exist that could legitimise or justify the use of this policy and further professional advice should be taken.	The policy can be published with the EIA List the justification of the discrimination and source the evidence (i.e. clinical need as advised by NICE). Consider if there are any potential actions which would reduce the risk of discrimination. Another EIA must be completed if the policy is changed, reviewed or if further discrimination is identified at a later date.	As a result of performing the analysis, it is evident that a risk of discrimination exists (direct, indirect, unintentional or otherwise) to one or more of the nine groups of people who share <i>Protected Characteristics</i> . However, a genuine determining reason exists which justifies the use of this policy and further professional advice. [Insert what the discrimination is and the justification of the discrimination plus any actions which could help what reduce the risk]

Equality Impact Findings (continued):						
		Actions	Wording for Policy / Project / Function			
Amber	As a result of performing the analysis, it is evident that a risk of discrimination (as described above)	The policy can be published with the EIA The policy can still be published but the	As a result of performing the analysis, it is evident that a risk of discrimination (as described above) exists and this risk may be removed or reduced by implementing the			
Adjust the Policy	exists and this risk may be removed or reduced by implementing the actions detailed within the <i>Action</i>	Action Plan must be monitored to ensure that work is being carried out to remove or reduce the discrimination.	actions detailed within the <i>Action Planning section</i> of this document.			
	Planning section of this document.	Any changes identified and made to the service/policy/ strategy etc. should be included in the policy.	[Insert what the discrimination is and what work will be carried out to reduce/eliminate the risk]			
		Another EIA must be completed if the policy is changed, reviewed or if further discrimination is identified at a later date.				
Green	As a result of performing the analysis, the policy, project or	The policy can be published with the EIA	As a result of performing the analysis, the policy, project or function does not appear to have any adverse effects			
No major change	function does not appear to have any adverse effects on people who share <i>Protected Characteristics</i> and no further actions are recommended at this stage.	Another EIA must be completed if the policy is changed, reviewed or if any discrimination is identified at a later date	on people who share <i>Protected Characteristics</i> and no further actions are recommended at this stage.			

As a result of performing the analysis, the population project or function does not appear to have a adverse effects on people who share <i>Protect Characteristics</i> and no further actions are recommended at this stage.	any
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Approved By				
Job Title:	Name:	Date:		