

**NHS VALE OF YORK CLINICAL
COMMISSIONING GROUP**



GOVERNING BODY MEETING

Vale of York
Clinical Commissioning Group

Meeting Date: 4 April 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 and in particular the signing off of the staff transfer scheme referred to in item 5.

11. Assurance

Not applicable

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Chief Clinical Officer Report

1. Francis Report

- 1.1 The Francis Report, published in February, was discussed by the Governing Body at a workshop after its last meeting on 7 March 2013. At this workshop the importance of “soft intelligence” became clear, as well as the need to “triangulate” evidence of failing performance.
- 1.2 In Mid Staffordshire NHS Foundation Trust many individuals had reported concerns but the relevant bodies failed to document them or act on them. As a Governing Body we are aware of the critical responsibility we have to ensure that the services we commission are safe and of high quality. With this in mind we are creating a special web link on our website that can be used by the public and clinicians to flag up concerns over the performance of a service. We will then collate this information and triangulate it with information from other sources before taking any necessary actions to remediate the situation.

2. York Teaching Hospital NHS Foundation Trust Performance

- 2.1 As detailed in the Performance Dashboard, we held a “Summit” meeting with Scarborough and Ryedale CCG, East Riding CCG, York Teaching Hospital NHS Foundation Trust, Yorkshire Ambulance Service and the Area Team. Discussion focused on the issues around ambulance turnaround times, A&E waiting times and the number of patients who have waited 52 weeks or more for treatment following referral by their GP or other healthcare professional.
- 2.2 The outcome was a work plan involving each of the participants with timescales and key performance indicators to deliver improved performance in these areas.

3. West Offices

The CCG has successfully moved into West Offices in York. The technology is working well enabling staff to access their work in a secure fashion from a variety of devices as well as the desk top PCs in West Offices.

4. 2013/14 Contracts

At the time of writing contract negotiations with providers were progressing “better than last year” although there was still a gap between our respective positions in relation to finance and key performance indicators. We are optimistic that we will have signed contracts in the very near future.

5. Staff Transfer Scheme

I was requested by the North Yorkshire and York and Humber Cluster to formally approve and sign off Schedule 3D of the staff transfer scheme which included the list of staff to be received by the Vale of York CCG. This was required to be included in the overall Transfer Scheme to be signed off by the Secretary of State on 28 March 2013.

6. Action Required

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