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**NHS VALE OF YORK CLINICAL
COMMISSIONING GROUP**

GOVERNING BODY MEETING



Vale of York

Clinical Commissioning Group

Meeting Date: 5 June 2014

Title: Partnership Commissioning Unit Assurance

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N/A

Strategic Priority

The Partnership Commissioning Unit provides the CCG with commissioning support covering mental health, learning disabilities, children, continuing healthcare and Adult Safeguarding.

Purpose of the Report

The Service Level Agreement between NHS Vale of York Clinical Commissioning Group and the Partnership Commissioning Unit is attached for members, and available at <http://www.valeofyorkccg.nhs.uk/about-us/governing-body-meetings/>, to provide the assurance requested. This will also be presented to the Audit Committee on 2 June 2014.

Recommendations

The Governing Body is asked to note the CCG's Service Level Agreement with the Partnership Commissioning Unit.

Impact on Patients and Carers

The Partnership Commissioning Unit commissions improved services based on the CCG's priorities and any changes may affect how patients and carers access health care services through enhanced pathways.

Impact on Resources (Financial and HR)

See risk implications below.

Risk Implications

The risks associated with the Partnership Commissioning Unit include specifically financial and clinical governance. These have been addressed within the financial risk share agreement and the revised governance arrangements which clearly identify lines of accountability with regard to safeguarding.

Equalities Implications

The Partnership Commissioning Unit, on behalf of the CCG, makes a clear commitment to equalities. Each Improvement Intervention and associated projects will be impact assessed, and the final business cases will also have a full equalities impact assessment.

Sustainability Implications

A collaborative commissioning approach involving the four North Yorkshire CCGs ensures sustainability. The sustainability objectives for the CCG are embedded within the Partnership Commissioning Unit plans. Each Improvement Intervention and associated projects will be impact assessed to ensure they are sustainable.