



BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING (Open)

Date: 13th September 2017

Item Ref: 16b) ii

TITLE OF PAPER	Quality Assurance Committee Summary Report to the Board of Directors in respect of Significant Issues
TO BE PRESENTED BY	Mr Mervyn Thomas, Chair, Quality Assurance Committee Non-Executive Director
ACTION REQUIRED	For assurance
OUTCOME	To report items of significance discussed at Quality Assurance Committee on 24 July 2017
TIMETABLE FOR DECISION	To be discussed at September's Board of Directors meeting.
LINKS TO OTHER KEY REPORTS / DECISIONS	Minutes of the Committee
LINKS TO OTHER RELEVANT FRAMEWORKS BAF, RISK, OUTCOMES	Trust Board Assurance Framework – A401ii – Trust Governance Systems are not sufficiently embedded NHS Audit Framework
IMPLICATIONS FOR SERVICE DELIVERY AND FINANCIAL IMPACT	Timely Reporting to the Board of Directors
CONSIDERATION OF LEGAL ISSUES	None identified.

Author of Report	Mervyn Thomas
Designation	Chair, Quality Assurance Committee (Non-Executive Director)
Date of Report	August 2017



**Sheffield Health
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NHS Foundation Trust

SUMMARY REPORT

Report to: Board of Directors

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Subject: Quality Assurance Committee
Summary Report to the Board of Directors in respect of Significant Issues

Presented by: Mervyn Thomas, Chair, Quality Assurance Committee

Author: Tania Baxter, Head of Clinical Governance

1. Purpose

To report to the Board of Directors, items of significance discussed at the Quality Assurance Committee meeting held on 24 July 2017.

2. Summary

Board members will receive the minutes of the Quality Assurance Committee held on 24 July in October. However, the meeting is reviewed and the Committee agreed by means of this report to notify the Board of Directors of the following significant issues.

Mortality Review

The Committee received a quarterly overview on the Trust's mortality, incorporating the work the Trust was doing with Mazars. The Committee was informed of a number of recent deaths by suicide, which the Executive Directors Group had commissioned a review of. The Committee was assured by this report and was confident in the work being undertaken in this regard.

Complaints Report

The Committee received the quarterly report detailing recent complaints, which the Committee found to be mostly helpful. Suggestions for improvements around setting targets and strengthening the learning from complaints were made, which will be addressed in future reports.

Safety Dashboard

The safety dashboard was received and discussed. The Committee requested additional information relating to missing patients to be incorporated into future iterations.

CQUINs

The Committee was pleased with the progress the Trust was making in this area and would like to see action plans to demonstrate how the Trust will achieve the CQUIN targets going forward.

Corporate Risk Register

The Committee received the risks assigned to it on the Corporate Risk Register and agreed that their discussion on this was valuable. It was noted that the Corporate Risk Register reflected the previous Board Assurance Framework (BAF) risk references, which would be amended following the recent approval of the new BAF.

3. Actions

For the Board of Directors to note the issues raised and receive assurance that the Quality Assurance Committee has taken appropriate action.

4. Contact Details

Mervyn Thomas, Chair of Quality Assurance Committee.