

Council of Governors

Chair of Audit & Risk Committee presentation June 2024

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Alerts taken to the Board during 2023-2024:



- Going Concern Report Preparation of Accounts positive
- Value for Money external audit report positive overall
- Emergency Preparedness Resilience & Response (EPRR) issues during the year with compliance following introduction of new requirements. Good progress has been made on addressing these. We expect to be c60% compliant by September which is in line with our plans - negative but an improving position
- Internal Audit Progress good progress has been made in year with a large number of our internal audits receiving significant assurance; our completion of internal audit actions has been very strong and our Head of Internal Audit Opinion expected to be significant overall – positive overall
- Impact of Electronic Patient Record (EPR) migration delays negative but an improving position
- Subject Access Request (SARS) and Freedom of Information Requests (FOI) positive given action taken
- Information Governance risks 169 incidents (4 reported to the Information Commissioner) and investigated with no further action taken. Good progress has been in year on improving take up of information governance training.



Examples of NED Challenge:



- EPRR and improving processes with a request for a clear trajectory (dates) for achievement of each action.
- Risk the committee asked that Risk Oversight Group consider processes in place for oversight of risks at directorate level to ensure there is no re-emergence of a backlog of risks of 12 and above not yet escalated. It was agreed the Core Strategic Risk Internal audit this year will focus on directorate level oversight of risks.

