

<b>TRUST BOARD IN PUBLIC</b>		Date: 26 <sup>th</sup> October 2017	
		Agenda Item: 2.2	
<b>REPORT TITLE:</b>		Safety & Quality Committee Chair Update	
<b>NON-EXECUTIVE SPONSOR:</b>		Richard Shaw Chair Safety & Quality Committee	
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<b>Action Required:</b>			
<b>Approval ( )</b>	<b>Discussion ( )</b>	<b>Assurance (✓)</b>	
<b>Purpose of Report:</b>			
To provide an update of the activities of the safety and quality committee.			
<b>Summary of key issues</b>			
The report provides a summary of the key agenda items discussed at the Safety and Quality Committee in October 2017. In addition to standing items the meeting focused on Neo-natal unit expansion risk mitigation, C-Section rates, Medical Division annual report and CQC assurance framework.			
<b>Recommendation:</b>			
The Board is asked to note the report.			
<b>Relationship to Trust Strategic Objectives &amp; Assurance Framework:</b>			
<b>SO1:</b> Safe – Deliver safe, high quality care <i>and improving</i> services which pursue perfection and be in the top <b>25% of</b> our peers <b>SO2:</b> Effective – As a teaching hospital, deliver effective and improving sustainable clinical services within the local health economy <b>SO3:</b> Caring – Work <i>with compassion</i> in partnership with patients, staff, families, carers <i>and community partners</i>			
<b>Corporate Impact Assessment:</b>			
<b>Legal and regulatory impact</b>	Compliance with CQC, MHRA and Audit Commission		
<b>Financial impact</b>	Serious incidents often become claims		
<b>Patient Experience/Engagement</b>	Included in the report		
<b>Risk &amp; Performance Management</b>	Reporting, investigation and learning from serious incidents informs risk management		
<b>NHS Constitution/Equality &amp; Diversity/Communication</b>	Included in the report		

<b>Attachment:</b>
N/A

## TRUST BOARD REPORT IN PUBLIC – 26<sup>TH</sup> October 2017 SAFETY & QUALITY COMMITTEE CHAIR UPDATE

The Safety and Quality Committee met on 5<sup>th</sup> October 2017.

### ECQR and PQRM

The committee took assurance from the fact that a deep dive is underway on pressure damage and asked for an update on conclusions when they are clear. PQRM had met for the first time, replacing CQRM and focusing on quality and performance. SQC asked for progress on the stroke performance, as CCGs improve community capacity and early supported discharge.

### CQUIN

SQC received a verbal update on the CQUIN programme. While much of the programme is proceeding well, progress on sepsis remains challenging. The committee will receive a written report at the end of Q2 when sepsis audit reports will have been completed.

### Quality Report

The committee received the monthly quality report and sought assurance on a number of issues arising, including:

- RTT: the strategy for electives: reports from Executive Committee will be submitted to private board on alternate months.
- It's not Okay: it was reported that the campaign was having a positive impact. Examples were given of staff being more prepared to raise concerns about aggressive or threatening behaviour.
- HSMR after NoF: The rolling annual figure, reported quarterly, has been increasing. SQC asked for an update when the next quarter's figures were available.
- Safety Thermometer: good progress was noted on most indicators but the committee will closely monitor performance on pressure damage.

### Neo-Natal Unit Expansion: Risk Mitigation

SQC was asked by the Trust Board to monitor safety and quality risk mitigation relating to the expansion of the neo-natal unit. This was an initial discussion which considered the risks associated with managing both the current situation and the period of building works. There was good assurance that current infection control risks are being well managed. There have been no infection outbreaks since 2014 and there is a strict hand hygiene regime in place. Risks relating to the refurbishment period will be scoped in detail when the phasing of the works is clarified, but good assurance was taken from the successful expansion of operating theatre space and the sharp focus on dust prevention.

### C-Section rates

SQC received a report on elective and emergency c-section rates and the contributory factors for the upward trend. The increase in emergency c-sections may be due in part to high numbers of induction and of pregnancies in women aged over 40. Good assurance was provided by the numbers of successful delivery in both first and second pregnancies. There is increased focus on elective and emergency c-sections and significant review and audit is in place.

### CQC Assurance

SQC focused on analysis of domains relating to safety and quality and took good assurance from the work being undertaken. It was noted that the Trust is not so much using the CQC assurance framework to prepare for inspection as using the key lines of enquiry to drive improvement as part of a wider cultural approach to challenge and improvement. The committee

suggested that brief examples might be provided to illustrate the analysis, and that it may be helpful for the Board to discuss the Trust's approach to hard-to-reach groups.

#### Medical Division Annual Report

SQC received an annual report on the achievements and challenges facing Medical Division. This included a summary of achievements, a SWOT analysis, top risks, priorities for the division, productivities and efficiencies, and capital requirements. The committee welcomed the report, and took good assurance from the work of the division.

#### Legal Affairs Report

The committee noted that the urology case was requiring a considerable effort from the legal team. The report summarized high value cases involving the Trust. Not all of these were SIs, but the committee was assured that all cases received appropriate investigation, and that the Trust is improving in reporting incidents and learning from them.

#### **Next Meeting**

The next SQC meeting is at 12.00 noon on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> November, when it will focus on work on outcomes.

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**Chair Safety & Quality Committee**  
**October 2017**