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BOARD

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Report Title:

Quality and Safety Committee Highlight Report, Approved Minutes and Annual Review for 2023/24

Purpose of report

To provide an overview of the discussions at the meeting of the Quality and Safety Committee held in March 2024, including the approved minutes for assurance and the Committee's annual review of performance.

Key points

The confirmed minutes from the meeting of the Quality and Safety Committee (QSC) held on the 14 March 2024 are attached at Appendix 1.

Highlights from the meeting

In March, the Committee considered several issues and supporting papers including:

Patient story - Two YouTube videos of young people who had participated in the Children and Young People's Mental Health Summit were shared highlighting the impact of Covid, long waiting lists and that the CAMHS service.

Board Assurance Framework and Quality and Safety Risk Register - The report provided the Committee with an update on the Board Assurance Framework (BAF) and an updated position on the current risks which align to the quality and safety portfolio for the reporting period 18 December 2023 to 28 February 2024. Updates to the risk register were highlighted, these included two new risks both of which had been recommended for addition to the corporate register and BAF.

Continuing Healthcare Transformation programme - The Committee was provided with an update on the Transformation Programme for All Age Continuing Care (AACC) including adult NHS Continuing Healthcare, NHS-funded Nursing Care (CHC), Children and Young People's Continuing Care (CYPCC).

Quality Report - key risks, issues and assurances in North Cumbria, North, Central and Tees - The report outlined the current risks and issues within each of the four geographical areas within the ICB. Updates included issues with Learning from Lives and Deaths (LeDeR) capacity; healthcare acquired infections (HCAI) information; continuing healthcare (CHC) pressures and improvement programmes.

Never Events Analysis - The report provided the Committee with oversight of key quality themes, risks, and exceptions regarding never events across North East and North Cumbria Integrated Care Board (ICB). Over the past year, 20 never events had been reported, with a slight reduction on the previous year. The most common never events were wrong site surgery, wrong implant or retained foreign objects.

Modern Slavery Statement - The report provided the Committee with a draft statement concerning the ICB's position on modern slavery for inclusion within the ICB website and the ICB Annual Report and Accounts. The statement outlined the ICB's commitment to, and efforts in, preventing slavery and human trafficking practices in the supply chain and employment practices. The statement had been endorsed by the Safeguarding Health Executive Subcommittee on the 10 January 2024.

Clinical Strategy – The Committee was provided with a copy of the developing ICB clinical strategy. The strategy set out key clinical condition priorities over the next five years. This had been developed using a population health management approach, identifying those conditions which had the greatest impact on our local communities. The process was clinically led with a range of recommendations for future development. Further work was underway to develop an outcomes framework, governance structure and individual implementation plans to ensure effective delivery of impactful transformation. The Committee received and reviewed the strategy and noted the strategy will now be submitted to the ICB Board for consideration.

Quality and Safety Committee Annual Review 2023/24 – Appendix 2

In line with its terms of reference, the Committee must undertake an annual review of its performance and provide an account of its work to the Board. The attached report is presented to Board as a summary of the Committee's work during 2023/24.

The report provides a brief introduction of the scope and remit for the Committee and provides a summary of the main areas of work and achievements throughout 2023/24. The work areas are captured under the three headings of – patient safety; clinical effectiveness; and patient experience.

The report also provides a brief summary of some of the headline findings from the online Committee effectiveness survey that members were asked to respond to a few weeks ago.

Risks and issues

The Committee will continue to receive and review the corporate risks aligned to the quality and safety portfolio to provide assurance to the Board that the quality and safety risks contained within the corporate risk register reflect the current environment.

Assurances

The clinical quality exception report and other supporting reports provide the Committee with a range of data and assurance sources.

Recommendation/action required

The Board is asked to:

- Receive the approved minutes from the Quality and Safety Committee meeting held on the 14 March 2024 (appendix 1) for assurance.
- Receive the 2023/24 annual review of the Quality and Safety Committee (appendix 2) for information and assurance.

Acronyms and abbreviations explained

ICB – North East and North Cumbria Integrated Care Board.

Other are described in the minutes.

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Link to ICP strategy priorities (please tick all that apply)

Longer and Healthier Lives



Fairer Outcomes for All							✓
Better Health and Care Services							✓
Giving Children and Young People the Best Start in Life							✓
Relevant legal/statutory issues							
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Any potential/actual conflicts of interest associated with the paper? (please tick)	Yes		No	✓	N/A		
If yes, please specify							
Equality analysis completed (please tick)	Yes		No		N/A	✓	
If there is an expected impact on patient outcomes and/or experience, has a quality impact assessment been undertaken? (please tick)	Yes		No		N/A	✓	
Key implications							
Are additional resources required?	None at this stage.						
Has there been/does there need to be appropriate clinical involvement?	Appropriate clinical representation within the membership of the Committee. Terms of reference to include representation from Nursing Directors and Medical Directors.						
Has there been/does there need to be any patient and public involvement?	N/A.						
Has there been/does there need to be partner and/or other stakeholder engagement?	N/A.						