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BOARD

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Report Title:

Approved minutes from the Quality and Safety Committee meeting held on 11th January 2024

Purpose of report

To provide the Board with an overview of the discussions at the meeting of the Quality and Safety Committee held in January 2024, including the approved minutes for assurance.

Key points

The confirmed minutes from the meeting of the Quality and Safety Committee held on the 11th January 2024 are attached at Appendix 1.

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

Patient story - A patient story was shared concerning the journey through the health system up to and following the birth of her child and the subsequent access and experiences to various maternity units across the area.

ICB 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 continuing health care provision, backlogs in court of protection deprivation of liberties (DoLs) cases, Learning from Lives and Deaths (LeDeR) capacity, increase in never events and an in-depth review of the BBC Panorama investigation into Prestwick Care and actions/assurance in relation to the investigation.

Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) update - A comprehensive presentation was given to the Committee concerning the ICB's responsibilities with regards to SEND. The presentation had been informed by national practice and had been discussed at the SEND Assurance Subcommittee.

The presentation ran through several topics including:

- Overview of statutory duties
- What does good look like – including performance dashboards
- What are our key priorities/risks
- Design work plan

Healthcare Associated infection (HCAI) rates by provider - The report highlighted details of the HCAI position relating to NHS providers across the North East and North Cumbria ICB area.

Patient Safety Incident Response Framework (PSIRF) - The report provided an overview of the benchmarking of the ICB policy against the national guidance for oversight as well as the role of the patient safety partner. The Committee was asked to explore how the patient and public voice partners

could support the development of a patient safety partner role and which committee would be best to support the development of that role.

Board Assurance Framework - The report provided the Committee with the latest version of the Board Assurance Framework (BAF) for quarter 3 2023/24. A request was made to adjust future agendas to ensure the BAF was at the top of the meeting agenda as this was a strategic meeting around quality and safety and it needed to be clearer how this was monitored through the governance agenda.

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 11th January 2024 (Appendix 1) for assurance.

Acronyms and abbreviations explained

As described in the minutes.

Sponsor/approving executive director	Eileen Kaner, Chair of the Quality and Safety Committee and Non-Exec Director David Purdue, Executive Chief Nurse and People Officer
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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

Note any relevant Acts, regulations, national guidelines etc

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.