
Public Board Meeting, 30 September 2010

Board Assurance Framework

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This paper informs the Board of the current position relating to the key risks to the achievement of the organisation's objectives. The risks are aligned to the strategic objectives contained in the Integrated Business Plan. The following is a summary of changes since the last Board meeting. The Audit Committee has reviewed an earlier iteration of this report, as has the Integrated Risk and Governance Committee and amendments made accordingly.

Current Risks

There are currently 20 risks on the Assurance Framework

Current Risk Ratings

11 risks are currently rated as red (scoring 15 or above):

2136	Residual Estates Issues	20
11516	Risk of exceeding MRSA trajectory	15
2143	Inability to discharge patients when acute medical care no longer longer required	15
2209	Night-time discharges from ITU	20
2210	Delayed discharges from specialist areas	20
1512	Inability to organise and treat patients within 18 week referral	20
2144	Failure to follow data confidentiality and systems security	15
2286	Risk of failing to deliver £8.6m surplus and maintaining FRR of 3	20
2287	Liquidity risk rating, Monitor	20
tba	Risks related to maternity staffing linked cost pressures	16
2596	Failure to influence partners to deliver affordable healthcare	16

Amber and Yellow Ratings

For the remaining risks, 8 are currently rated as Amber (scoring 8 or above) and one risk is rated as Yellow (scoring 4 and above).

New Risks

- 11516 Risk of exceeding MRSA trajectory – as at 22 September 2010 3 bacteraemia reported against a trajectory of 5 to year end. (15 red)
- Risk number to be confirmed: Risks relating to maternity staffing (16 red)

Recommendations to approve:

1. The Board is asked to approve the reduced score for 1272 (compliance with decontamination) from 15 to 9 based on update received 29 July 2010

2. The Board is asked to approve the transfer of risk 1034 (lack of storage facilities in theatre to the Surgical Division register for local management and to agree a reduced score of 12.
3. The Board is asked to approve the removal of risk 2139 (capital savings following reconfiguration on Hemel Hempstead site).
4. The Board is asked to approve the removal of risk 2505 as the HDD refresh was completed successfully.

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