

## TRUST BOARD MEETING – 24 November 2011

<b>Title of the Paper:</b>	<b>Formal Tripartite Agreement</b>	
<b>Agenda item:</b>	<b>166/11</b>	
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<b>Trust Objective:</b>	<b>Achieve Foundation Trust Status</b>	
<b>Purpose</b> The Tripartite Formal Agreement (TFA) between the Trust, the Department of Health and the Strategic Health Authority confirms the commitments being made by the NHS Trust, their Strategic Health Authority (SHA) and the Department of Health (DH) that will enable achievement of NHS Foundation Trust (FT) status before April 2014. The Board is required to review and confirm its commitment to the actions outlined in the TFA and therefore its approval of the agreement.		
<b>Risk Implications for the Trust</b> ( <i>including any clinical and financial consequences</i> ):		<b>Mitigating Actions</b> ( <i>Controls</i> ):
Failure to become a Foundation Trust		
<b>Level of Assurance that can be given to the Trust Board from the report</b>  Sufficient		
<b>Links to Board Assurance Framework, CQC Outcomes, Statutory Requirements (ie BAF risk reference, CQC outcomes linked to report)</b>  BAF - 2146		
<b>Legal Implications:</b>		
<b>Recommendation to the Trust Board:</b>  The Trust Board members are asked to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Receive a verbal update on the Foundation Trust application and</li> <li>Ratify the tripartite Agreement between the Trust the SHA and the Department of Health.</li> </ul>		