

TRUST BOARD MEETING – November 2011

Title of the Paper:	East of England, 10 year QIPP strategy for patients with Learning Disabilities and Autism
Agenda item:	181/11
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Trust Objective:	To ensure the Trust meets national expectations to improve care for this client group and has a system in place to regularly review progress in meeting the QIPP agenda
Purpose The Trust was required to complete a self assessment of care of people with Learning Disabilities and Autism against a set of standards, through the QIPP. As an organisation we are required to identify eight areas. Care of people with Learning Disabilities and Autism continues to receive a high national profile and is subject to ongoing review and scrutiny. We are required to develop an action plan, agreed by the Trust Board and Health Commissioners and show regular review of improvements against the set strategic aims.	
Risk Implications for the Trust (<i>including any clinical and financial consequences</i>):	Mitigating Actions (<i>Controls</i>):
The Trust may not be able to demonstrate that specific needs of this vulnerable group have been met by giving them equality with other people accessing the services	As an organisation we have been proactive in meeting the challenges of this vulnerable group by close partnership working with the Health Liaison Team for people with Learning Disabilities. Quarterly reports have been produced detailing ongoing improvements in care based on the findings of 'Michaels Inquiry' (DH 2008) and subsequent improvement strategy 'Health Care for all Now' (DH 2009). In May 2010, the Trust Board reviewed the Ombudsman report 'Six Lives' relating to the cases highlighted by 'Death by Indifference' (Mencap 2007).
Level of Assurance that can be given to the Trust Board from the report The Trust can take sufficient assurance that ongoing arrangements are in place across the organisation to make reasonable adjustments to give equality of care to this vulnerable patient group	
Links to Board Assurance Framework, CQC Outcomes, Statutory Requirements (ie BAF risk reference, CQC outcomes linked to report) CQC outcomes; QIPP requirements	
Legal Implications: Not meeting specific needs of people with Learning Disability and Autism by providing Equality of Care.	
Recommendation to the Trust Board: The Trust Board members are asked to: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Note the report, endorse the self-assessment, and approve the draft development plan for QIPP– 2011-2012	