

TRUST BOARD MEETING – 26 JULY 2012

Title of the Paper:	Vascular Services: Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm (AAA) Screening Business Case		
Agenda item:	07/12 - 10		
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Trust Objective:	To develop the vascular centralisation following the external review of Hertfordshire's vascular services.		
Purpose			
This paper informs the Board of the latest service developments in vascular screening services following external review and sets out a conditional recommendation for the Board to consider.			
Risk Implications for the Trust (<i>including any clinical and financial consequences</i>):		Mitigating Actions (<i>Controls</i>):	
Future anticipated activity levels are not realised			
Level of Assurance that can be given to the Trust Board from the report			
Sufficient			
Links to Board Assurance Framework, CQC Outcomes, Statutory Requirements (ie BAF risk reference, CQC outcomes linked to report)			
The NHS Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm (AAA) Screening Programme is being introduced gradually across England after evidence showed that it should reduce deaths from ruptured AAAs through early detection, appropriate monitoring and treatment (surgery).			
Legal Implications:			
None			
Recommendation to the Trust Board:			
It is recommended that the Board approve the business case to offer the AAA screening services on behalf of Hertfordshire; and acknowledge our proposed designation as the vascular hub.			