

Report to:	Council of Governors	Agenda item:	17
Date of Meeting:	5 September 2017		

Title of Report:	Board Monitoring Group Update Report
Status:	For Approval
Board Sponsor:	Council of Governors
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Appendices	None

1. Purpose
To outline the recommended actions proposed by the Council of Governors Board Monitoring Group during the past 3 months.

2. Recommendations (Note, Approve, Discuss etc.)
The Council of Governors is asked to discuss the recommendations.

3. Legal / Regulatory Implications (NHSLA / Value for Money Conclusion etc.)
None

4. Risk (Threats or opportunities link to risk on register etc.)
None

5. Resources Implications (Financial / staffing)
None

6. Equality and Diversity
None

7. References to previous reports
None

8. Freedom of Information
Public

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Background

In June 2015, the Lead Governor expressed concern to the Council of Governors that they were not fulfilling their duties in full as RUH Governors. Whilst he suggested that the Governors were adequately representing the views and interests of the members, he felt that they were failing in the duty to hold the Non-Executive Board to account via the Non-Executives. He suggested that, as a start, some Governors should attend the Board of Directors meetings each month and see the NEDs at work. He asked for volunteers which resulted in the formation of the group.

Reporting

The Board Monitoring Group provides an update report to the Council of Governors following each Board of Directors meeting to:

- Report to CoG on the main areas being addressed by RUH Board of Directors.
- Identify the areas that may cause concern from an attendee's perspective.
- Recommend actions that could be taken.

Recommendations

The information below summarises the key recommendations from these reports. The Council of Governors is asked to discuss the recommendations and agree whether or not to implement them.

Board of Directors Meeting held on 31 May 2017	
Quality/Performance recommendations	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CoG to establish how development of the STP will influence unnecessary admission of 'well' patients. • QWG and/or S&B/PWG to receive Trust proposals in relation to the management of 'well' patients not requiring admission on medical grounds. CoG to agree on correct W/G. 	
Finance recommendations	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • S&B/PWG to consider including a standing agenda item 'Finance Update' as the financial position affects delivery of the Business Plan. • S&B/PWG to monitor delivery of QIPP savings 	
Other recommendations	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • COG to note that attending Governors felt that the NED's provided very effective challenge to the Executives at this meeting, particularly in relation to C Diff Improvement plan and the 4 hour Improvement plan. 	

Board of Directors Meeting held on 28 June 2017
<p>Quality/Performance recommendations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • QWG to request a presentation on Diabetic Management and seek assurance on staff training, insulin administration and identification of patients. • QWG to continue to monitor C.diff incidence • COG to seek regular updates from the Board of Directors in relation to progress managing DTOC's • COG to request criteria for a NIST referral and plans for any other wards/areas to be assisted by the team.
<p>Finance recommendations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • S&BWG to monitor performance against financial plan and seek reassurance if necessary on the ability of the Trust to finance and implement the Business Plan
<p>Other recommendations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • QWG to receive an update on recruitment of coders and monitor HMSR. If possible, add SHMI to Governor Dashboard. • COG to consider requesting a presentation or seminar on the Board Assurance Framework to learn about the major risks (and action plans) to the Trust.

Board of Directors Meeting held on 28 June 2017
<p>Quality/Performance recommendations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • QWG to monitor Cancer referral to Treatment by Specialty for improvement
<p>Finance recommendations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SBWG to monitor achievement of income across elective/non-elective and OP
<p>Other recommendations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None