

Subject:	Chief Executive's Report
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Purpose of paper	To updated the Board on national and local items of interest.
Key points for Trust Board members <i>Briefly summarise in bullet point format the main points and key issues that the Trust Board members should focus on including conclusions and proposals</i>	To note.
Options and decisions required <i>Clearly identify options that are to be considered and any decisions required</i>	None required.
Next steps / future actions: <i>Clearly identify what will follow the Trust Board's discussion</i>	N/A
Consideration of legal issues (including Equality Impact Assessment)?	N/A
Consideration of Public and Patient Involvement and Communications Implications?	N/A

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Board of Directors – 28 February 2013

1. Francis Report

- On the agenda and will be discussed in depth

2. South London Healthcare NHS Trust to be dissolved by 1 October 2013

- The most financially challenged NHS trust in England is to be dissolved by October 2013
- The Trust is losing more than £1m every week and by the end of this year is expected to have an accumulated debt of more than £200m
- On the advice of NHS Medical Director, Professor Bruce Keogh, Mr Hunt also announced he has decided it is in the best interests of patients that Lewisham Hospital should retain its Accident and Emergency department

3. Local Authorities – Health and Wellbeing Boards and Health Scrutiny Regulations

- The Local Authority (public health, health and wellbeing boards and health scrutiny) Regulations 2013 have now been published
- These regulations are intended to help local Authorities finalise preparations for Health and Wellbeing Boards and health scrutiny arrangements

4. NHS Friends and Family Test: Publication Guidance

- The Department has published guidance for providers of NHS funded services on calculating and publishing the NHS Friends and Family Test results
- National publication of hospital, Trust and ward level scores will begin in July 2013
- Local publication of hospital, Trust and ward level scores must begin no later than July 2013

5. Quality Impact assessment of CIPS and Workforce Plans

- The Trust Development Authority (TDA) has stated that it will look carefully at the quality impact of CIPs and workforce plans as part of its FT assessment process
- The TDA expects Trusts to use guides issued by the National Quality Board to assess the impact of its plans
- [How to: quality impact assess provider cost improvement plans](#) will allow a Trust Board, and the supervisory and regulatory bodies, to make a quality impact assessment of proposed cost improvement plans with the focus on clinical input and the potential impact on patients and staff
- The TDA also expects all workforce plans for 2013/14 to be signed-off by Medical Directors and Directors of Nursing to ensure that patient safety and the quality of care are protected

6. Progress on NHS Reforms

• **NHS Commissioning Board**

- The NHS Commissioning Board has published the structures for each of its nine directorates, with the Operations Directorate structure being the last to be published in the middle of September 2012
- This directorate includes the organisational design for the regions and local area teams and accounts for approximately 3,500 of the NHS Commissioning Board's total workforce
- The NHS Commissioning Board has also published information about the location of regional and local area offices
- Within the South of England the NHS Commissioning Board has approximately 830 posts
- The authorisation of CCGs is going well – the first and second wave of CCGs (34 & 67) authorised before Christmas (including Portsmouth CCG)
- The NHS Commissioning Board will complete the authorisation process for the remaining 177 CCGs in a further three waves, publishing the results in January, February and March 2013
- Focus is clearly on improving outcomes for patients, aligning work across organisations where necessary
- Progress is being made to establish direct commissioning responsibilities, for example the specialised services operating model is now published, along with a consultation launched this week on the scope and specifications of specialised services
- Good progress on recruitment

• **NHS Trust Development Authority (TDA)**

- The appointment of Directors has been made and the recruitment of other managers and staff is well underway
- From 1 October 2012 the NHS TDA took over responsibility for:
 - Approval of NHS Foundation Trust applications and organisational transactions at a national level, with Strategic Health Authorities continuing to oversee and assess applications and proposals through their initial stages
 - National oversight of progress on commitments in Tripartite Formal Agreements, along with escalation decisions and recommendations to Ministers on triggering the unsustainable provider regime
 - Oversight of NHS Trust planning for 2013/2014, including issuing national guidance and signing off NHS Trust plans
 - Approval of NHS Trust capital investment proposals at national level
 - Making Non-Executive appointments to NHS Trusts following the closure of the Appointments Commission
 - Offices are being established in London, Leeds, Manchester, Birmingham, and Taunton

• **Health Education England**

- 13 Local Education and Training boards (LETBs) across England
- All 4 South of England LETBs are part way through the HEE Authorisation process
- Appointments to key posts:
 - Managing Director, Thames Valley LETB (Sandra Hatton)
 - Director Education and Quality, Wessex LETB (Allan Jolly)
 - Chair, KSS LETB (Sir David Melville)

- **Public Health England**

- Duncan Selbie CEO
- David Heymann Acting Chair
- Eight directorates:
 - Health protection
 - Health improvement and population health
 - Knowledge and intelligence
 - Operations
 - Strategy
 - Programmes
 - Finance and corporate services
 - Human resources
- The public health system is transitioning nationally and locally alongside other major changes in the health system
- Local transition remains on track in the South of England
- During October 2012, local government colleagues in partnership with the Local Government Association undertook a regional public health assurance stocktake, the findings of which were very positive for the South
- The future vision of public health services, based within local government, is developing well
- Local government remain confident that they will achieve a successful transfer of public health staff and functions by 1 April 2013
- Recruitment process has had challenges, but is now progressing