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Quality Committee Chair's Assurance Report to the Board of Directors (In Public)

Title of Report:	Quality Committee Chair's Assurance Report	**Date of Meeting:** Board of Directors (in Public) – 6 December 2022
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Approved By:	Dr Ian Mack – Quality Committee Chair and Non-Executive Director	
Presented By:	Dr Ian Mack – Quality Committee Chair and Non-Executive Director	
Purpose		
The report summarises the assurances received, approvals, recommendations and decisions made by the Quality Committee at their meeting on 29 November 2022.		

Matters of Concern or Key Risks to Escalate	Major Actions Commissioned / Work Underway
• Compliance plan actions and quality improvement plans actions slipping due to operational pressures. • Continued delays in quarter 2 to compliance with NICE and clinical guidelines • Children on wards awaiting mental health beds • Regulation 28 received. Trust will respond in full to the Coroner and CQC • Serious Incident action plans closure trajectory to be agreed at Safe Executive Group in January 2023 • Reduction in incident reporting, largely within the Division of Medicine. A national change to reporting of ED 12-hour breaches has impacted on reporting • Changes to the format of some forums reporting into the Effective Executive Group	• Review of the timing of Committee Non-Executive Director visits to services • Stroke Improvement Plan to be brought to Committee in January 2023 • Kirkup Report to public Board on 6 December 2022 • Further review of the format and content of the Maternity Serious Incident Quarterly Report which is scrutinised by the Quality Committee on behalf of the Board • Review the programme of local audits for 2023/24 • Discuss with the Integrated Care Board standardisation of mortality data sources • National Inpatient Survey action plan to Committee in January 2023 • Non-Executive Director to observe a weekly Quality Performance Review meeting
Positive Assurances to Provide	**Decisions Made**
• Improvement in mandatory training levels within midwifery • The Committee had full discussion on progress in relation to the Clinical Negligence Scheme for Trusts (CNST) maternity incentive scheme and the quarter 2 Maternity Serious Incident Report • Clinical Audit Action Plan has been revised and updated and approved by the Effective Executive Group in November • Good compliance on Duty of Candour • The robust work of the Evidence Assurance Group on closure of Serious Incident actions • Comprehensive Safeguarding Children's and Adults Team Quarter 2 Report • Research and Innovation Bi-annual Report	
Comments on Effectiveness of the Meeting	
• A large agenda to cover in the time. • The forward planner will be reviewed as part of wider committee effectiveness considerations. • Good to have report authors attend to present reports.	