The Queen Elizabeth Hospital NHS
King's Lynn
NHS Foundation Trust

REPORT TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS (IN PUBLIC)

RESPONSIBLE DIRECTOR:	REPORT FOR:		IMPACT ON BUSINESS:		
Catherine Morgan Director of Nursing	Decision		High	Med	Low
	Discussion	✓	✓		
	Information	✓			
LEAD MANAGER:	**REPORT TYPE:**		**BAF REFERENCES & RAG:**		
Claire Roberts Associate Director of Patient Experience	Strategic				
	Operational	✓			
	Governance	✓	**RELATED WORK: (PREVIOUS PAPERS TO COMMITTEE)**		
PEER ASSIST:	**PEER REVIEW:**				
CQC Domain: (safe, caring, effective, responsive, well-led)	All				

Meeting Date: 26th January 2016

Report Title: Patient Story update

PURPOSE:					
To provide the Board with an update on the patient story heard at the last public Board of Directors' meeting in November 2015.					
SUMMARY:					
The attached briefing provides an update on the research studies that were discussed as part of the patient story plus an update on some of the changes within the Research & Development department itself.					
RISK ASSESSMENT (CROSS-REFERENCE WITH RISK REGISTER WHERE APPROPRIATE):					
Strategic / External	**Operational/ Organisational**	**Financial**	**Clinical**	**Legal/ Regulatory**	**Reputational / Patient Experience**
	✓		✓		✓
RECOMMENDATION/S:					
Assurance for Board that issues raised from Patient Stories act as vehicle for organisational learning and lead to quality improvements.					

Patient Story Update

The Board received a presentation in November 2015 from Mrs. Valerie Crewe on her experience of being involved as a participant in a research study. She was accompanied by the Clinical Research nurse responsible for the particular study that she is taking part in. Her presentation emphasised how much she valued the opportunity to be part of a study that might lead to a greater understanding of the disease process in Parkinson's disease and ultimately to new ways of treating patients.

The Proband study has now been extended for a further two follow up visits so Mrs. Crewe will continue to take part in the study throughout this coming year and overall the national study will not be completed until 2020. It is expected that the first interim report will be published within the next 12 months. The Neurology department has just recruited a new consultant member of staff and it is hoped that the Trust will be able to participate in further studies involving other neurological disorders in the near future.

The Research & Development Department has just recruited a new manager, Antonia Hardcastle, who commenced duties this week. She comes from a university background and will be looking to support the Trust in increasing the range of studies that are available for patients to take part in. Currently the department is involved in 56 open studies and is supporting a further 57 in follow up and 23 in set up. The most recent study that commenced this month is POPPI, which involves patients who have been on the Critical Care Unit as part of their patient pathway.

Claire Roberts
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