UNIVERSITY HOSPITALS BIRMINGHAM NHS FOUNDATION TRUST BOARD OF DIRECTORS THURSDAY 27 OCTOBER 2016

Title:	QUARTER 2 BOARD ASSURANCE FRAMEWORK		
Responsible Director:	David Burbridge, Director of Corporate Affairs		
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Purpose:	To provide the Board with the high level risks within the context of the Board Assurance Framework.			
Confidentiality Level & Reason:	None			
Medium Term Plan Ref:	Annual Plan			
Key Issues Summary:	The BAF has been reviewed by the Executive team in conjunction with their Executive Risk Registers and any relevant divisional/departmental risk registers. The assurance (internal/external) column has been updated to make specific reference to the latest reports (BOD, CCQ, CEAG, Audit, etc.)			
	Key updates include:			
	Reference to the new Single Oversight Framework (previously Monitor Risk Assessment Framework)			
	 An action update has been provided in relation to the Recovery@home care model (bottom of first page): Work is underway to identify further patient cohorts that can utilise the existing model. As part of the Better Care Fund (BCF) there is currently a review of intermediate care, step up and step down capacity in Birmingham which will may lead to a new community based recovery team model. This would potentially incorporate the current step down recovery at home service piloted by UHB. A worked up BCF model is expected in Q3 16/17 for consideration. 			
	 Update to the 3rd risk ('External factors impacting on Trust's capacity to deliver timely and effective transfer of care'): Reference has been made to the new A&E delivery board which will oversee the implementation of the strategy for out of hospital re-ablement. The Trust continues to work closely with BCC Adult Social Care concerning acute pathways that require social care input. This collaboration occurs at an STP, A&E Delivery Board and operational level. Due to the loss of c25% of hospital reablement capacity urgent measures are needed for the short and long term. A pilot will commence during Q3 which is looking at developing a more therapy led hospital based screening and discharge process for patients requiring social care assessment and out of hospital support (see). 			
	The risk of 'reputational damage' has been updated to			

	take account of the closer collaboration with HEFT: Inconsistent media coverage and inappropriate management of the Trust's relationship with the main stakeholders NHSI/NHSE may result in reputational damage. These risks will be mitigated by a new Communications strategy and a stakeholder engagement workstream led by the DComms. The board will retain complete oversight of the interaction with HEFT.		
Recommendations:	The Board is asked to review the revised BAF and identify any gaps in controls or assurance, the latter to be considered for referral to the Audit Committee for consideration.		

Signed:	D Burbridge	Date:	October 2016
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