

ITEM: 6

Meeting: Trust Board
Date: 20 May 2008

Title: **NHS London Provider Agency quarterly performance monitoring:
Trust self-certification**

Executive Summary: NHS London Provider Agency has implemented a provider performance management regime which is modelled on the Monitor compliance framework and reporting system. It requires quarterly reports of performance against financial plans and service/quality targets and is based on self-certification at Board level.

The report for each quarter is due for submission on the last working day of the month following the end of the quarter:

2007-08 Q4	30 April 2008
2008-09 Q1	31 July 2008
Q2	31 October 2008
Q3	30 January 2009
Q4	30 April 2009

In the light of the timing of the Board meetings on the third Wednesday of each month, with papers submitted a week in advance, it is not practical for the Board as a whole to provide certification in advance of reporting to NHS London. It is therefore proposed that certification of the returns should be delegated to the chairman and chief executive following discussion with relevant officers, and ratified by the earlier of the next Trust Board or Audit Committee.

The return for Quarter 4 2007-08 indicated an amber rating for quality and services because of the breach of the target for MRSA bacteraemias as previously reported. The year end I&E, CIP, capital spend and cash balance targets were met, and the NHS London financial risk rating is awaited.

The Board is reminded that the plan submitted for 2008-09 resulted in the following forecast performance by NHS London.

Financial risk rating 3
Governance green
Services green
Quality and Safety green

Action: The Board is asked to note the position reported for 2007-08 and the planned performance in 2008-09. It is also asked to approve the delegation of authority to self certify quarterly reports to the Chairman and Chief Executive.

Report from: Susan Sorensen
Director of Strategy and Performance

Sponsor: David Sloman, Chief Executive

Financial Validation Lead: Director of Finance	Richard Martin
Compliance with statute, directions, policy, guidance Lead: All directors	Reference: NHS London Performance management regime
Compliance with Healthcare Commission Core/Developmental Standards Lead: Director of Nursing & Clinical Development	Reference:
Compliance with Auditors' Local Evaluation standards (ALE) Lead: Director of Finance	Reference:
Evidence for self-certification under the Monitor compliance regime Lead: All directors	Compliance framework reference: