

Whittington Health Trust Board

27 February 2013

Title:	Report of the Quality Committee held on Wednesday 16 January 2013		
Agenda item:	13/024	Paper	3
Action requested:	For Noting		
Executive Summary:	<p>The purpose of this paper is to inform Trust Board of the key issues discussed at the Quality Committee on Wednesday 16 January 2013 and to advise of any concerns with regard to quality and safety and provide assurance to the Board on the Trust's Governance systems.</p> <p>The committee received quarterly reports from a number of sub committees, the details of which are outlined in appendix 1.</p> <p>The committee received assurance on actions being taken to address concerns raised in the previous committee meeting in November related to :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Actions being taken by the Trust to address the backlog of children in care assessments in Haringey • Actions being taken to assure the Trust that sufficient Child Protection Training sessions at level 2 and 3 will be provided to ensure that the right numbers of staff have access to the right level of training. • Improved divisional risk reports which addressed risks to patient quality and safety and outlined mitigating actions and innovations <p>The following concerns were raised by the committee and additional information sought.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The continued backlog of completed Root Cause Analysis (RCA) investigations into Serious Incidents (SI) with timescales stipulated by NHS London – actions were outlined which assured the committee that the current backlog will be completed by end of March 2013 with continued emphasis and support provided to divisions going forward to ensure that all timescales are met. • Annual appraisal rates for staff well below the Trust target of 90 per cent. 		

	Approval on behalf of Trust Board was given to the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Annual Safeguarding Children Declaration for publication on the Trust Web site • Policy for the Management of Methicillen Resistant Staphylococcus Aureus (MRSA) Positive Patients. 						
Summary of recommendations:	The Quality Committee highlighted a number of hot spot issues which are shown in Appendix 1. The Trust Board is asked to receive the report and to approve the recommendations made by the committee.						
Fit with WH strategy:	The Quality Committee is a sub committee of the Trust Board and assures the Trust Board on issues relating to Quality, Patient Safety and Governance.						
Reference to related / other documents:	Minutes of the Quality Committee held on Wednesday 21 November 2012.(Appendix 1) Annual Safe Guarding Children Declaration 2013 (Appendix 2)						
Date paper completed:	15 February 2013						
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Date paper seen by EC	n/a	Equality Impact Assessment complete?	n/a	Risk assessment undertaken?	n/a	Legal advice received?	n/a

