

BOARD OF DIRECTORS PUBLIC MEETING



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- 📋 4 October 2023
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1. AGENDA

💄 Darren Best, Chairman

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BoD Agenda Public October 2023 DRAFT 001.pdf

Board of Directors PUBLIC Board Meeting Agenda

Board of Directors PUBLIC Board meeting Venue: Trust Board Room, St Nicholas Hospital and via MS Teams Date: Wednesday 4 October 2023 Time: 1:30pm– 3:30pm

	Item	Lead	
1.1	1 Welcome and Apologies for Absence Darren Best, Chairman		Verbal
2	2 Service User / Carer / Staff Journey Guest Speaker		Verbal
3	Declarations of Interest	Darren Best, Chairman	Verbal
4	Minutes of the meeting held 6 September 2023	Darren Best, Chairman	Enc
5	Action Log and Matters Arising from previous meeting	Darren Best, Chairman	Enc
6	6 Chairman's Update Darren Best, Chairman		Verbal
7	Chief Executive Report	James Duncan, Chief Executive	Enc
Quality, Safet	y and patient issues		
8 Integrated Performance Report (Month 5)		Ramona Duguid, Chief Operating Officer	Enc
9	Winter Planning update	Ramona Duguid, Chief Operating Officer	Enc
Workforce iss	sues		
10	No issues to report for the period		N/A

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Regulatory / compliance issues				
11	No issues to report for the period.		N/A	
Strategy, pla	anning and partnerships			
12	Integrated Care System/Integrated Care Board update	James Duncan, Chief Executive	verbal	
13	Finance Report	Kevin Scollay, Executive Director of Finance	Enc	
Key item		1		
14	CNTW Cultural Celebration Events	Chris Rowlands, Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Lead / Emma Silver-Price, Equality, Diversity & Inclusion Officer	Pres	
Committee	updates			
15	Quality and Performance Committee	Darren Best, Chair	verbal	
16	Audit Committee No meeting held during the period	David Arthur, Chair	N/A	
17	Resource and Business Assurance Committee <i>No meeting held during the period</i>	Paula Breen, Chair	N/A	
18	Mental Health Legislation Committee No meeting held during the period	Michael Robinson, Chair	N/A	
19	Provider Collaborative Committee	Michael Robinson, Chair	verbal	
20	People Committee No meeting held during the period	Brendan Hill, Chair	N/A	
21	Charitable Funds Committee No meeting held during the period	Louise Nelson, Chair	N/A	

22	Council of Governors' Issues	Darren Best, Chairman	Verbal
23	Questions from the Public	Darren Best, Chairman	Verbal
24 Any other business Darren Best, Chairman		Verbal	
Date and Time of Next Meeting: Wednesday 1 November 2023 1:30pm – 3:30pm Trust Board Room, St Nicholas Hospital and via Microsoft Teams			

1.1 WELCOME AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

💄 Darren Best, Chairman

2. SERVICE USER / CARER / STAFF STORY

💄 Guest Speaker

3. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Larren Best, Chairman

4. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD 6TH SEPTEMBER 2023

💄 Darren Best, Chairman

REFERENCES

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4. Public Minutes 6 September 2023 FINAL DRAFT.pdf

Minutes of the Board of Directors meeting held in Public on 6 September 1.30pm – 3.30pm Trust Board Room, St Nicholas Hospital and via MS Teams

Present:

Ken Jarrold, Chairman David Arthur, Senior Independent Director/Non-Executive Director Darren Best, Vice Chair/Non-Executive Director Brendan Hill, Non-Executive Director Louise Nelson, Non-Executive Director Michael Robinson, Non-Executive Director Paula Breen, Non-Executive Director (online)

James Duncan, Chief Executive Ramona Duguid, Chief Operating Officer Rajesh Nadkarni, Deputy Chief Executive / Medical Director Kevin Scollay, Executive Director of Finance Lynne Shaw, Executive Director of Workforce and Organisational Development

In attendance:

Margaret Adams, Service User and Carer Reference Group Chair Kirsty Allan, Corporate Governance Manager (minute taker) Evelyn Bitcon, Public Governor, Cumbria Russell Bowman, Service User Governor, Neuro-Disability Services (online) Rachel Bryce, Medical Assistant (Item 17) Anne Carlile, Lead Governor / Service User Carer Adult Services Anthony Deery, Deputy Chief Nurse (deputising for Sarah Rushbrooke) Shannon Fairhurst, Carer Governor, Children and Young People's Services (online) Elaine Fletcher, Group Nurse Director, South Locality (online) (Item 10) Vicki Grenfell, Medical Assistant (Item 17) Debbie Henderson, Director of Communication and Corporate Affairs Jessica Juchau-Scott, Carer Governor, Older People's Services (online) Thomas Lewis, Staff Governor, Medical (online) Daisy Mbwanda, Shadow Staff Governor Andy McMinn, Associate Director South in-patients & Enhanced Bed Management (Item 10) Jane Noble, Carer Governor, Adult Services Bruce Owen, Consultant Psychiatrist and Director of Medical Education (item 17) Ian Palmer, Public Governor, South Tyneside (online) Tom Rebair, Service User Governor, Adult Services and Deputy Lead Governor Jane Shaw, Local Authority Governor, North Tyneside Council (online) Emma Silver-Price, Staff Governor, Non-Clinical (online) Marie Smith, Associate Nurse Director, South in-patients (Item 10) Russell Stronach, Service User Governor, Autism Services (online) Jack Wilson, Corporate Engagement Assistant

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

Ken Jarrold welcomed everyone to the meeting and apologies received from Sarah Rushbrooke, Executive Director of Nursing, Therapies and Quality Assurance.

2. Declarations of interest

None to note.

3. Service User/Carer Story/ Staff Journey

Ken Jarrold extended a warm welcome and thanks to Daisy Mbwanda who shared her personal journey.

4. Minutes of the meeting held 2nd August 2023

The minutes of the meeting held on 2nd August were considered.

Approved:

• The minutes of the meetings held 2nd August 2023 were approved.

5. Action log and matters arising not included on the agenda

It was agreed to close action 05.07.23 (12) as the CQC report was included as an agenda item for the meeting.

6. Chairman's update

Ken Jarrold acknowledged 30th September will be his last day at CNTW and his last day working with and for the NHS. Ken joined the NHS on 14th September 1969 as a National Administrative Trainee with his first contact with CNTW in September 1970 when he was invited to apply for the role as a Research Assistant [Nursing Education] with the Briggs Committee on Nursing. Ken was appointed as Chair of the Council of Governors and Board of Directors in 2017 and explained it is of great sadness, he will be leaving the NHS in the worst condition in its history. But for all its faults and challenges, the NHS remains a shining example of humanity in action, of the belief of society that all people should be entitled to health care regardless of their circumstances. That it is a principle worth fighting for.

Ken mentioned despite all the challenges CNTW is currently facing, it is the best organisation he has served and writing an article recently in the Membership e-newsletter, he highlighted 10 things that made CNTW special.

Resolved:

• The Board received the Chair's update.

7. Chief Executive's Report

James Duncan acknowledged the remarkable contribution Ken has made to the NHS and throughout his time as Chair of the Council of Governors and Board of Directors having a wide range of leadership roles at organisation, regional and national level, including leading on the work to develop the NHS Code of Conduct for Managers, a significantly relevant document in the context of the NHS today. James noted that Ken has always had a focus on the people across the organisation but first and foremost the people that we serve. James paid personal tribute to Ken valuing his advice, wealth of experience, care and attention and thanked Ken for everything he has done for CNTW and the NHS as a whole.

James referred to the Chief Executive's report and highlighted the Major Conditions Strategy for England which is expected to be published in early 2024. The document sets out the evidence underpinning the strategy and provides an overview of initial plans for action over the next five years. It will focus on addressing six major conditions: mental ill-health, dementia, cancer, cardiovascular disease, musculoskeletal disorders, and chronic respiratory disease. Together these six conditions drive over 60% of mortality and morbidity in England, and patients increasingly experience two or more of these conditions at the same time.

Anthony Deery mentioned the Trust recently hosted a visit from Dr Emma Wadey, Deputy Director of Mental Health Nursing in NHS England Chief Nursing Officer's team who met with colleagues from the South Locality and the CNTW Academy where she heard about the Trust's work on apprenticeships and continuous professional development for clinicians. Anthony fed back Dr Wadley's views from the visit as being insightful and she was particularly inspired by the professionalism, care and commitment from staff.

Resolved:

• The Board received the Chief Executive's update.

Quality, Clinical and Patient Issues

8. Monthly Integrated Performance Report (Month 2)

Ramona Duguid referred to the report referencing out of area placements, particularly those patients who are clinically ready for discharge.

Ramona noted the positive response from ICB colleagues in relation to the system work regarding long waits in Children and Young People's Neurodevelopmental pathways and it is hopeful that the challenges relating to the pathways will be addressed collaboratively with system colleagues.

Areas of significant concern include crisis services, and crisis urgent referrals seen within 24 hours. Two specific areas driving deterioration in performance in this area relate to North Cumbria and the North Localities with differences in models across the Trust resulting in variation in performance. Work is ongoing at Trust level to look at recording of urgent referrals on initial receipt of referral and development of local guidance to accompany national definitions. Ramona explained a new crisis model was being developed reflecting one of the four core pillars of the urgent and inpatient transformation programme which will involve improving the 136-suite flow, developing alternatives to admission, community interface, discharge model/in-reach and the development of 111 for mental health support.

Ramona referred to psychiatric liaison referrals where some challenges have been seen within North and Central Localities with South and North Cumbria performing in-line with national averages. There is improvement work to standardise processes including simplifying recording methods. There is also a monthly focus with operational leads via the Access and Oversight Group.

Lynne Shaw confirmed sickness for June 2023 is reported at 5.7%, the lowest sickness absence rate during the last two years. Lynne advised it is expected that the absence rate will increase over the next few months due to the national increase in Covid/Flu cases.

Darren Best asked whether the introduction of Right Care Right Person has coincided with the deterioration with the organisations performance in crisis response and asked for a report to be provided to the Quality and Performance Committee on the impact of the changes.

Jane Noble referred to Darren's comments about the crisis team and police explaining in her view it does have a correlation as police cuts will impact the crisis team and the Trust should be mindful of this change with work needing to be undertaken.

Ken Jarrold thanks Ramona Duguid for the update and emphasised the excellent standard of the new report which clearly highlights the immense pressures services are currently under.

Resolved:

• The Board received the monthly Integrated Performance Report (Month 2).

Action

• A detailed update on the impact of the Right Care Right Person model to be provided to a future meeting of the Quality and Performance Committee

9. CQC Must Do Report Action Plan update

Anthony Deery referred to the report which provided an update on the 20 remaining areas of improvement which were received following inspections undertaken between 2018 and 2022 including the most recent inspection to the adult acute admission ward on the Campus for Ageing and Vitality hospital site in Newcastle. Anthony noted that the report seeks approval from the Board that there is sufficient evidence and assurance to close 4 action plans detailed in the report, relating to body maps, training, staffing and risk management plans.

Darren Best referred to the action relating to body maps suggesting this was a wider issue than only CNTW and asked that the work in this regard remain a focus following closure of the action. Louise Nelson agreed noting that despite the Trust taking a view to close actions from a local perspective, such themes identified are addressed at regular intervals.

Ken Jarrold confirmed the Board agreed to close the 4 actions highlighted with the caveat the Trust must not lose sight of the key themes of improvements.

Approved:

• The Board received and noted CQC Must Do Report Action Plan update and approved the closure of the 4 action plans outlined within the report.

10. Roselodge update

Ramona Duguid referred to the report in the context of previous updates regarding Roselodge and ongoing quality challenges within the service since 2021.

Andy McMinn and Marie Smith provided a detailed presentation to the Board which included a focus on current patient mix, barriers to effective discharge planning, particularly for those people clinically ready for discharge, those patients who require care under the long-term seclusion policy and the impact of the HOPEs model.

The Board were briefed on the outcome of a recent internal mock CQC visit where several areas of good practice were identified including good oversight from external parties, strong links with the Local Authority, comprehensive risk assessments and management plans, good interactions with staff and patients, and strong multi-disciplinary working. The Roselodge team are formally working towards accreditation with the Quality Network for Learning Disability which will further support Roselodge in the evaluation and improvement of management processes and standards of care.

An update on staffing levels including confirmation that there were currently no vacancies in Roselodge, and the service was operating with a reduced need for temporary workforce. This has resulted in improvement in patient and carer experience in terms of consistency of care with provided by the substantive teams. The impact of the implementation of a local, bespoke induction process, focusing on training needs for staff supporting patients at Roselodge was noted.

Other updates included the cultural awareness day held in April 2023, the Safe Space project, service specific wellbeing days for all staff, plans to redesign the courtyard area, and weekly lead commissioner meetings to focus on system working to support discharge.

James Duncan reflected his visits to Roselodge since taking up post as Chief Executive and noted the remarkable difference in the service and teams, highlighting the achievements that have been made.

Margaret Adams paid tribute to the remarkable turnaround with Roselodge, particularly the positive feedback received from service users and carers.

Resolved

• The Board received the and noted the Roselodge update.

11. Verdict in the trial of Lucy Letby

Rajesh Nadkarni referred to the communication received by the Trust from Executive Officers of NHS England following the crimes committed by Lucy Letby.

Rajesh referred to the four areas of focus for Trusts outlined in the letter. The national roll out of medical examiners since 2021 has created additional safeguards by ensuring independent scrutiny of all deaths not investigated by a coroner and improving data quality, making it easier to spot potential problems. Rajesh advised that as a provider of mental health and disability services, the Trust has

robust arrangements in place with local acute hospitals across the system. The implementation of the national Patient Safety Incident Response Framework (PSIRF) also remains on track.

Rajesh noted the update provided in closed Board regarding the strengthening of Fit and Proper Person requirements national framework. Assurances will also be sought in relation to systems and processes for speaking up.

Chris Rowlands referred to a recent discussion with the Trust's Freedom to Speak Up Guardians regarding the implications for staff who may have cultural barriers to speaking up or who are in lower paid roles and may be less confident to do so. The Trust are exploring all possible mechanisms for communicating with staff to build healthy and supporting cultures where everyone feels safe to speak up.

Ken Jarrold mentioned there are two things that really matter which is people feel free to speak up and action is taken when they do so.

Resolved

• The Board received and noted the Verdict in the trial of Lucy Letby report.

12. Acute Inpatient Mental Health Care for Adults and Older Adults

James Duncan referred to the publication of NHS England guidance on acute inpatient mental health care for adults and older adults which will have a wide-ranging implication across a range of Trust services and functions. While many standards set out in the guidance are already in place across CNTW, there is still much to do and delivering care in line with this guidance links to the Trust's strategic ambitions.

Resolved:

• The Board received and noted the Adult Inpatient Mental Health Care for Adults and Older Adults report.

Workforce issues

13. Workforce Race Equality Standard (WRES) and Workforce Disability Equality Standard (WDES)

Chris Rowlands delivered a presentation noting that BME staff make up 9.1% of the overall Trust workforce. The lack of diversity on the Board of Directors and in senior roles in the organisation was recognised. Chris noted white applicants are 2.5 times more likely to be appointed from shortlisting than BME applicants. BME staff are also 1.57 times more likely to enter formal disciplinary processes.

The 2022 staff survey highlighted that 36.2% of BME staff experienced bullying harassment or abuse from patients, and the percentage of BME staff experiencing bullying, harassment or abuse from other staff has remained static since 2020.

The staff survey also shows a widening gap between BME and white staff believing the organisation provides equal opportunities for career progression.

Chris referred to the actions and recommendations approved at the July 2023 meeting of the People Committee as part of the Trust response to the NHS England Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Improvement Plan and noted that the team is exploring development of an EDI Dashboard to record real time data, alongside the development of initiatives to support progression of staff.

Jessica Juchau-Scott queried the statistics for BME and disabled staff and asked if the categories could be broken down to differentiate between visible and non-visible disabilities. Chris Rowlands agreed that this would be a useful exercise to undertake and agreed to undertaken further analysis in this regard. Lynne Shaw advised that the staff survey can be broken down into such categories and provided an example from previous years.

Resolved:

• Board received and noted the Workforce Race Equality Standard (WRES) and Workforce Disability Equality Standard (WDES)

Regulatory / Compliance Issues

14. Constitution Amendment

Debbie Henderson noted that following Darren Best's appointment as Chair from 1st October 2023, Darren has reflected on the Trust's future journey in the context of the implementation of the Trust's new strategy, 'With you in mind', the challenges facing the Trust and mental health and disability services particularly in terms of the Trust's financial position, continual demand, workforce challenges and the need to reframe our care and support model as an organisation.

Debbie advised that following discussion at the Governors' Nomination Committee and Board regarding the appointment process for a replacement Non-Executive Director to the Board, approval was sought to support the proposal to recruit a further Non-Executive Director to the Board to represent the voice of lived experience. This reflects the Trust's commitment to true involvement in its systems of governance, decision-making and setting the strategic direction, particularly within such a challenging internal and external environment.

Debbie highlighted due to this change an amendment is required to the Trust Constitution regarding the composition of the Board.

Evelyn Bitcon supported the opportunity for someone to be appointed to the Board of Directors to speak up for service users and carers and suggested that more than one appointment to reflect lived experience be considered. Ken Jarrold noted Evelyn Bitcon's comments and explained it would not be possible to increase the number of Non-Executive Directors to the extent of Evelyn's suggestion, however, emphasised the strong relationships between the Board of Directors, Council of Governors, and Service User and Carer Reference Group.

Approved:

• The Board received and approved the amendment to the Trust Constitution regarding the composition of the Board.

Strategy, planning and partnerships.

15. Integrated Care System (ICS) / Integrated Care Board (ICB) update There were no updates to report.

16. Finance Report

Kevin Scollay referred to the report explaining there are references to Month 3 within the report and confirmed it should read as Month 4. Kevin noted that the Trust has generated an £8.6m deficit year to date highlighting the deficit is £1.2m better than the financial plan submitted to NHS England at Month 4. Kevin stated that monthly financial targets haven become more challenging in Month 4 with tightening of targets being the key reason for the worsening of the financial position. Although the Trust is ahead of plan at this point, the financial plan is heavily backloaded in terms of savings with a very challenging second half of the year to come.

Ken Jarrold reiterated the extremely challenging position of the Trust. The Board had spent two hours discussing the financial challenges in the earlier board development session.

Resolved The Board received and noted the Finance Report.

Key Item for Discussion

17. Medical Assistant Programme

Bruce Owen, Rachel Bruce and Vicki Grenfell provided the Board with an update on the Medical Assistant Programme and the positive impact the role has on both doctors and the wider workforce workload. The role has significantly reduced the time doctors spend on administrative tasks, thereby increasing the time doctors spent with patients, and time for research and training. It has led to improvements in morale within clinical teams, communication between multi-disciplinary Teams, carers and other key partner agencies, and improvements in service efficiency and patient flow.

Both Rachel Bruce and Vicki Grenfell provided their experiences of working as a Medical Assistant explaining the benefits to the wider team, as well as their own personal and professional development and feeling valued within their role.

Paula Breen referred to a similar role which has been in primary care for one year which has proven to be an immensely beneficial, particularly in terms of the capacity created for clinicians. Paula commended the development of the role and those working within them.

Michael Robinson referred to mental health legislation and noted the invaluable support provided by these roles.

Resolved

• The Board received an update from Medical Assistant Programme

Board sub-committee minutes and Governor issues for information

18. Quality and Performance Committee

No meeting taken place during the period.

19. Audit Committee

No meeting taken place during the period.

20. Resource and Business Assurance Committee

No meeting taken place during the period.

21. Mental Health Legislation Committee

No meeting taken place during the period.

22. Provider Collaborative Committee

No meetings have been held during the period.

23. People Committee

No meeting taken place during the period.

24. Charitable Funds Committee

No meeting taken place during the period.

25. Council of Governors issues

Ken Jarrold referred to a meeting taking place on Friday 8th September with Governors looking at the challenges and opportunities for development within the North Cumbria locality. The meeting follows an update provided to the Governors' Quality Group and a request for a more detailed informal discussion.

26. Any Other Business

Darren Best paid contribute to Ken Jarrold's longstanding valuable contribution working in the NHS and as a leader of CNTW. Darren referred to Ken's reference to 10 things he finds special about CNTW, and shared with the Board, the 10 things that make Ken Jarrold special.

- **Leadership** someone who has led the NHS and CNTW through some of the most challenging times, for over 5 decades dedicating his entire working life to the cause.
- **Support** everyone who has met Ken has no doubt received his unwavering support at some point, both personally and professionally.
- **Challenge** Ken challenges in the right way, and has always known what questions to ask, where to ask them, and how to ask them.
- **Realism** Ken reflects life as it is, and not as he would like it to be.
- **Courage** pragmatic courage and the courage to make difficult decisions.
- **Caring and compassionate** both in his career, with those he has worked with and served, and in his own life, with his own family.
- **Respectful** Ken respects everyone equally, regardless of status or position.
- Honest and transparent what he says is what he truly believes.
- Authentic both as a leader and as person.
- **Deserving** Ken deserves our thanks, our gratitude, and our praise for what he has achieved.

All in attendance wished Ken Jarrold a very long, happy and healthy retirement.

27. Questions from the public

There were no questions from the public.

Date and time of next meeting

Wednesday, 4 September 2023, 1:30pm at Trust Boardroom, St Nicholas Hospital and online via Microsoft Teams.

5. ACTION LOG AND MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

💄 Darren Best, Chairman

REFERENCES

Only PDFs are attached

5. BoD Action Log PUBLIC at 4 Oct 2023 DH.pdf

Action Log as at 4 October 2023

RED ACTIONS – Verbal updates required at the meeting

GREEN ACTIONS – Actions are on track for completion (no requirement for discussion at the meeting)

Item No.	ltem	Action	By Whom	By When	Update/Comments	
	Actions outstanding					
02.08.23 (8)	Integrated Performance Report	A focussed discussion on Psychiatric Liaison Referrals to be undertaken	Ramona Duguid/ Rajesh Nadkarni	November 2023		
05.07.23 (7)	CE Report	Discussion on the Institute for Public Police Research Health and Care Workforce Assembly report to be undertaken at a future Board meeting	James Duncan	TBC		
06.09.23 (8)	Integrated Performance Report	A detailed update on the impact of the Right Care Right Person model to be provided to a future meeting of the Quality and Performance Committee	Sarah Rushbrooke	October 2023		
Completed Actions						
05.07.23 (12)	CQC Must Do Report	Updated report to include fundamental actions with older actions reporting to Quality and Performance Committee	Sarah Rushbrooke	September 2023	Complete – agenda item for September's meeting	

6. CHAIRMAN'S UPDATE

💄 Darren Best, Chairman

7. CHIEF EXECUTIVE REPORT

Lames Duncan, Chief Executive

REFERENCES

Only PDFs are attached

7. CEO Report to Board of Directors October 2023 v2.pdf

Name of meeting	Board of Directors
Date of Meeting	4 th October 2023
Title of report	Chief Executive's Report
Executive Lead	James Duncan, Chief Executive
Report author	Jane Welch, Policy Advisor to the Chief Executive

Purpose of the report		
To note	X	
For assurance		
For discussion		
For decision		

Strategic ambitions this paper supports (please check the appropriate box)		
1. Quality care, every day	X	
2. Person-led care, when and where it is needed	X	
3. A great place to work	X	
4. Sustainable for the long term, innovating every day	X	
5. Working with and for our communities	X	

Meetings where this item has been considered	Management meetings where this item has been considered	
Quality and Performance	Executive Team	
Audit	Executive Management Group	
Mental Health Legislation	Business Delivery Group	
Remuneration Committee	Trust Safety Group	
Resource and Business Assurance	Locality Operational Management Group	
Charitable Funds Committee		
People		
CEDAR Programme Board		
Other/external (please specify)		

Does the report impact on any of the following areas (please check the box and provide detail in the body of the report)

Equality, diversity and or disability	Reputational
Workforce	Environmental
Financial/value for money	Estates and facilities
Commercial	Compliance/Regulatory
Quality, safety and experience	Service user, carer and stakeholder
	involvement

Board Assurance Framework/Corporate Risk Register risks this paper relates to

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Meeting of the Board of Directors Chief Executive's Report Wednesday 4th October 2023

Trust updates

Sexual Safety in Healthcare – Organisational Charter

On 4 September 2023, NHS England launched its first ever sexual safety charter in collaboration with key partners across the healthcare system. The Trust, along with all other regional Trusts have signed up to this charter and commit to taking and enforcing a zero-tolerance approach to any unwanted, inappropriate and/or harmful sexual behaviours within the workplace. We also commit to the following ten core principles and actions to help achieve this. There is an expectation that signatories will implement all ten commitments and actions by July 2024:

1. We will actively work to eradicate sexual harassment and abuse in the workplace.

2. We will promote a culture that fosters openness and transparency, and does not tolerate unwanted, harmful and/or inappropriate sexual behaviours.

3. We will take an intersectional approach to the sexual safety of our workforce, recognising certain groups will experience sexual harassment and abuse at a disproportionate rate.

4. We will provide appropriate support for those in our workforce who experience unwanted, inappropriate and/or harmful sexual behaviours.

5. We will clearly communicate standards of behaviour. This includes expected action for those who witness inappropriate, unwanted and/or harmful sexual behaviour.

6. We will ensure appropriate, specific, and clear policies are in place. They will include appropriate and timely action against alleged perpetrators.

7. We will ensure appropriate, specific, and clear training is in place.

8. We will ensure appropriate reporting mechanisms are in place for those experiencing these behaviours.

9. We will take all reports seriously and appropriate and timely action will be taken in all cases.

10. We will capture and share data on prevalence and staff experience transparently.

Work is currently underway to review current arrangements and put in place additional actions, where necessary, to ensure that the commitments are met.

Annual Members Meeting

The Trust's Annual Members Meeting took place on 21st September 2023 as a hybrid event. 62 people attended face to face with a further 118 people joining on-line for our live stream event. This year's theme which coincided with our Annual Magazine was the launch of the new Trust Strategy 'With you in mind'. Our guest speaker Sam Allen, Chief Executive of North East and North Cumbria Integrated Care Board spoke about what our Strategy means for the North East and North Cumbria Integrated Care System and how they can support us in the delivery of our commitments.

Along with 29 stalls highlighting work within the Trust and our partner organisations, community and voluntary and public sector we also had a special performance from 'The Mop Heads'. These are two talented members of our domestic services staff, who have written and recorded a song for our SHINE Charity. The song, which is called 'Where Hope Begins' was inspired by the end of the acute phase of the Covid pandemic.

Peer Support Education Programme

Wednesday 27th saw the completion of the third cohort and annual celebration of the Peer support Education Programme, attended by James Duncan and Ken Jarrold. This programme was set up to support new peer support workers, as a vehicle for learning, improvement, self awareness and understanding of the Trust and the people we support and work with. As ever, it was a truly inspirational event, showing again why peer support is so important to us, and how the peer support movement can give us impetus to change in delivering our strategy, With You in Mind. We are well on the way now to having peer support embedded in every Multidisciplinary Team. This is a huge and remarkable asset for the Trust and one we must develop and build on. Thank you to Alane Bould and all of the team for their work in developing and running the programme.

CEDAR Programme Update – Sycamore Unit

Sycamore, the major part of our CEDAR programme and part of the NHS New Hospitals Programme has reached build completion. Discussions with the Ministry of Justice regarding transfers from the Kenneth Day Unit has caused a slight delay in the building becoming occupied and operational but this is now expected to happen on the 21st and 24th October.

A small ceremony to bury a time capsule in the central courtyard took place on 22nd October, with representatives from the Trust, the project team and our construction partners, Sir Robert Macalpine. More importantly earlier in that week, inpatients who would be moving into Sycamore and their families were shown around the facilities, and the visit and Sycamore itself were very warmly received. That tells us we have got things right. A huge thank you to all of the team involved in a really complex build programme, taking place during an exceptionally difficult time for the construction industry.

Detailed discussions have taken place with the New Hospitals Programme about the delivery of the next phase of the CEDAR Programme, which will be discussed at the New Hospital Programme Board and National Finance and Infrastructure Committee in October.

Governor Elections 2023

The Trust gives notice that it will hold elections to the Council of Governors commencing Thursday 5th October 2023 in the following areas:

Service User

- Adult Services (1 Seat)
- Learning Disability Services (1 Seat)
- Children and Young People's Services (1 Seat)
- Older People's Services (1 Seat)

Carer

- Neuro-Disabilities Services (1 Seat)
- Children and Young People's Service (1 Seat)
- Learning Disability Services (1 Seat)

Staff

- Clinical (1 Seat)
- Non-Clinical (1 Seat)

Public

- Cumbria (North) (1 Seat)
- Northumberland (1 Seat)

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National updates

Suicide prevention in England: 5-year cross-sector strategy

The Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC) published a new five year cross-sector <u>strategy</u> on suicide prevention. The overall aims of the strategy are:

- Reduce the suicide rate over the next 5 years with initial reductions observed within half this time or sooner
- Continue to improve support for people who self-harm
- Continue to improve support for people who have been bereaved by suicide

The strategy also sets out priority areas for action over the next five years:

- 1. Improving data and evidence to ensure that effective, evidence-informed and timely interventions continue to be developed and adapted.
- 2. Tailored, targeted support to priority groups, including those at higher risk, to ensure there is bespoke action and that interventions are effective and accessible for everyone.

- 3. Addressing common risk factors linked to suicide at a population level to provide early intervention and tailored support.
- 4. Promoting online safety and responsible media content to reduce harms, improve support and signposting, and provide helpful messages about suicide and self-harm.
- 5. Providing effective crisis support across sectors for those who reach crisis point.
- 6. Reducing access to means and methods of suicide where this is appropriate and necessary as an intervention to prevent suicides.
- 7. Providing effective bereavement support to those affected by suicide.
- 8. Making suicide everybody's business so that we can maximise our collective impact and support to prevent suicides.

Implementing the NHS workforce plan – financial implications

The Institute for Fiscal studies published a <u>report</u> evaluating the impact implementing the NHS Long Term Workforce Plan would have on the size of the NHS workforce and NHS budgets in England. Key findings include:

- The plan aims to increase the number of staff employed by the NHS in England from around 1.5 million in 2021–22 to between 2.3 and 2.4 million in 2036–37. This increase in the size of the NHS workforce would mean that almost half (49%) of public sector workers in England, and one in eleven (9%) of all workers in England will work for the NHS by 2036–37.
- While the plan included £2.4 billion of additional funding for the training of new staff, it did not consider the much larger medium-term implications of a large increase in staffing for the NHS wage bill, or the increase in other inputs which will be required if the NHS is to treat significantly more patients (e.g. drugs and equipment). Increasing the size of the workforce so quickly is likely to require NHS wages to become more generous in real terms and to potentially match or even exceed growth in wages in the rest of the economy.
- Achieving the staffing figures outlined in the plan will require NHS spending to increase by 2% of national income over 15 years, equivalent to £50bn in today's terms, and similar to the 2.2% increase in UK health spending seen in the 15 years to 2008-09. Raising the public funds to enable this level of investment would require, for example, increasing the standard rate of VAT from 20% to around 27% by 2036– 37 or increasing all income tax rates by around 6 percentage points.

Health and care reform for improved public health and public finances

The Institute for Public Policy Research (IPPR) published <u>'For public health and public</u> <u>finances: reforming health and social care'</u>, a discussion paper submitted as evidence to the Commission on Health and Prosperity. Key points from the report include:

• The number of people out of the labour market due to sickness is at an all-time high, and tackling this will require a greater focus on public health.

- The number of deaths that could have been avoided with timely healthcare or public health interventions is much higher in the UK than in all other comparable European nations. The report estimates that if the UK had an avoidable mortality rate similar to those in comparable European countries, around 240,000 fewer people would have died in the decade from 2010.
- Much of this is due to failures in health and care services, including a lack of timely care, lack of continuity of care, long waiting lists for planned care, and unmet demand for support from social care. Quality of care has also declined.
- New modelling commissioned for the report finds government healthcare spending in England is on course to rise from 9% of GDP to 11.2% of GDP by 2033/34. This is much faster than the rate at which the economy is expected to grow, suggesting cuts for other public services or rationing of health and social care services.

North-South divide in education funding

Health Equity North published 'Addressing Education and Health Inequity: Perspectives from the North of England' in partnership with the All-Party Parliamentary Group for the Child of the North. The report highlights that over the last decade, schools in the North of England have received less via the National Funding Formula (NFF) than schools in the south of the country. Key findings from the report include:

- On average, pupils in London received 9.7% more funding than those in the North.
- Children in the most affluent schools in the country had bigger real terms increases in funding than those in the most deprived ones, despite the increased burden placed on these schools due to wider societal issues that impact the families they serve.
- Children in the North have higher school absences, including health and mental health absences, and educational performance is poorer.
- This poses a risk for public services in future years, as the long-term consequences of poor education can not only impact physical and mental health, but can also put pressure on the NHS, social care, and the criminal justice system.

The Child of the North APPG members and report authors are calling for an overhaul of the current school funding formula to address inequalities in health and educational attainment.

8. INTEGRATED PERFORMANCE REPORT MONTH 5

Ramona Duguid, Chief Operating Officer

REFERENCES

Only PDFs are attached

😕 8a. Board Cover Sheet - IPR.pdf

8b. IPR Trust Report - Month 5 v2.0.pdf

Name of meeting	Board of Directors
Date of Meeting	Wednesday 4 th October 2023
Title of report	Integrated Performance Report Month 5
Executive Lead	Ramona Duguid, Chief Operating Officer
Report author	Tommy Davies, Head of Performance and Operational Delivery

Purpose of the report	
To note	
For assurance	X
For discussion	
For decision	

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Meetings where this item has been considered			Management meetings where this item has been considered			
Quality and Performance	27.09.23		Executive Team			
Audit			Executive Management Group	25.09.23		
Mental Health Legislation			Business Delivery Group			
Remuneration Committee			Trust Safety Group			
Resource and Business			Locality Operational Management			
Assurance			Group			
Charitable Funds Committee						
People						
CEDAR Programme Board						
Other/external (please specify)						

Does the report impact on any of the following areas (please check the box and provide detail in the body of the report) Equality, diversity and or disability Reputational X Equality, diversity and or disability X Environmental X Workforce X Environmental X Einancial/value for money X Estates and facilities

Financial/value for money	X	Estates and facilities		
Commercial		Compliance/Regulatory	Х	
Quality, safety and experience	X	Service user, carer and stakeholder	Х	
		involvement		l

With YOU in mind

Board Assurance Framework/Corporate Risk Register risks this paper relates to

SA1 Quality care, every day – We want to deliver expert, compassionate, person-led care

Risk 1688 Due to the compliance standards set from NHSI, CQC and for Legislation there is a risk that we do not meet and maintain standards which could compromise the Trust's statutory duties and regulatory requirements. (SA1)

SA2 Person-led care, when and where it is needed – We will work with partners and communities to support the changing needs of people over their whole lives. We know that we need to make big, radical changes. We want to transfer power from organisations to individuals.

Risk 1836 A failure to develop flexible robust Community Mental Health Services may well lead to quality and service failures which could impact on the people we serve and cause reputational harm. (SA2)

SA3 A great place to work – We will make sure that our workforce has the right values, skills, diversity and experience to meet the changing needs of our service users and carers.

Risks 1694

Inability to recruit the required number of medical staff or provide alternative ways of multidisciplinary working to support clinical areas could result in the inability to provide safe, effective, high-class services. (SA3)

SA4 Sustainable for the long term, innovating every day – We will be a sustainable, high performing organisation, use our resources well and be digitally enabled.
Risk 1762 Restrictions in Capital expenditure imposed nationally may lead to increasing risk of harm to patients when continuing to use sub optimal environments. (SA4)

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Integrated Performance Report

Patients | Quality | People | Person Led Care | Sustainability

2023-24 Month 5 (August 2023)



Integrated Performance Report - Headline Commentary

Headline Challenges

- Commitments to our Carers & Patients All five patient satisfaction measures reported in the IPR are below standard
- % of Training Compliance (Courses with a standard) Only
 9 of 27 courses are achieving or above the required standard.
- Serious Incidents Despite the low numbers the incidents are of serious magnitude and therefore an exception page with actions is in the report.
- **CPA Completed Review** Off target, 79.8% against a 95% standard, although last 3 months it has improved.
- Out of Area Placements/Clinically Ready for Discharge/ Bed Occupancy - All remain reported off track
- **Crisis Very Urgent Referrals seen within 4 hours** At 51.6%, very low referral numbers means performance fluctuates significantly.
- **Psychiatric Liaison Referrals in ED within 1 hour -**Performance has decreased over a 24 month period and continues to remain lower than peers.
- <18 weeks to Treatment All CYPS Waits for Treatment Performance deteriorated in the month reported at the lowest level since May 22. Numbers waiting over 18 weeks for Treatment is at 3,956 of which 3,492 are within the neurodevelopmental pathway.
- <18 weeks to Treatment CYPS Neurodevelopmental waits - Percentage seen within 18 weeks remains low and numbers waiting continue to rise each month. 3,492 are waiting over 18 weeks for Treatment. 4 week wait standard will be reported in the next report for Community waiting times.
- **Live within our means** 23/24 forecast under significant pressure. Trust financial position shows marginally better than plan at month 5. Plan includes phasing adjustment to reflect phasing of efficiencies.

Key focus areas of concern

- % of Training Compliance (Courses with a standard)
- Crisis Very Urgent Referrals seen within 4 hours
- Psychiatric Liaison Referrals in ED within 1 hour
- <18 weeks to Treatment CYPS Neurodevelopmental waits
- CPA Completed Review
- Live within our means

Positive Assurance / Improvement

- EIP (Early Intervention Psychosis) consistently above standard.
- 72 hour follow up remains consistently above the 80% standard.
- CYPS Eating Disorders (Urgent Referrals) is on target this month

<u>Improving</u>

- Appraisal rate improved from 61% to 79% over 14 months
- Care Plan Compliance improved from 92% to 94.5% in 1 year
- **Clinically Ready for Discharge** has dropped below 10% for last 4 months, was between 10 and 12% for 15 months before then.
- Bed Occupancy Continually improved in the last 4 months
- Out of Area Placements improved closer to target last 2 months

Mitigations/actions

- % of Training Compliance (Courses with a standard) The Training Needs Analysis tool has been updated with the modality of the training and trajectories are being set. Localities continue to work through training trajectory plans with CBU's, discussing regularly train the trainer opportunities or innovative ways of improving attendance rates.
- Crisis Very Urgent Referrals seen within 4 hours New Crisis Model is being developed,. This will involve, improving the 136 suite flow, developing alternatives to admission, community interface, discharge model/in-reach and the development of 111 for Mental Health. <u>Recovery plan is being put in place.</u>
- **Psychiatric Liaison Referrals in ED within 1 hour -** The challenges are in North and Central, with the South and North Cumbria performing in line with national averages. Urgent and Emergency sub-group of the Access and Oversight group has been reinstated to focus on improvement. <u>Recovery plan being put in place</u>.
- <18 weeks to Treatment CYPS Neurodevelopmental waits Waiting times update provided monthly to Q&P Committee. Trust wide CYPS neurodevelopment task and finish group to look at standardising practice. The final redesigned pathway to be clearly defined by end of September 2023 and presented to the community oversight group in October 2023. <u>Recovery plan being in place</u>.
- **CPA Completed Review** Oversight by pathway managers to ensure CPA reviews are planned. Caseloads are currently under review within the 7 Pioneer teams and monthly narrative and assurance templates are in place for Teams not meeting standards within some localities
- Live within our means Groups / Departments highlighted areas under review to impact on financial performance. BDG monthly finance focus sessions are in place to agree actions to impact on the Trust financial position. Daily staffing reviews taking place across inpatient areas.

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Core Trust Integrated Outcome Measures - Summary Overview

Reporting Period: Aug 2023

	Ref	Indicator Name	Variation	Assurance	Performance	Standard	Plan	Risk Rating	Summary Narrative	Exec
Commitments	C01	How was your experience? (FFT)	Normal Variation	Consistently Fail	86.5%	95.0%	Internal	High (Action)	Increased in the month and below standard	SR
me	C02	Did we listen to you? (PoY)	Normal Variation	Consistently Fail	87.9%	95.0%	Internal	High (Action)	Increased in the month and below standard	SR
nit	C03	Were staff kind and caring? (PoY)	Normal Variation	Achieve at Random	93.9%	95.0%	Internal	Med (Monitoring)	Slight decrease and reported just below standard	SR
E L	C04	Did you feel safe? (PoY)	Normal Variation	Achieve at Random	91.1%	95.0%	Internal	Med (Monitoring)	Reported below standard but remaining stable	SR
ŭ	C05	Were you given helpful information? (PoY)	Normal Variation	Consistently Fail	83.9%	95.0%	Internal	High (Action)	Increased in the month, remaining below standard	SR
	P01	Turnover	Concern	Achieve at Random	10.8%	10.0%	National	High (Action)	Slight increase in the month and off target	LS
	P02	Sickness in Month	Improvement	Consistently Fail	6.0%	5.0%	National	High (Action)	Following a period of improvement, this month has increased	LS
People	P03	% of Training Compliance (Courses with a Standard)	Improvement	Consistently Fail	34.6%	100.0%	Internal	High (Action)	9 out of 27 courses are achieving standard	LS
eo	P04	Appraisal rate	Improvement	Consistently Fail	78.8%	85.0%	Internal	High (Action)	Improvement over 13 months followed by decrease in Aug-23	LS
	P05	% Clinical Supervision completed	Normal Variation	Consistently Fail	48.7%	80.0%	Internal	High (Action)	Decreased across all localities	LS
	P06	People Pulse Health & Wellbeing satisfaction	SPC N/A	No Standard	65.7%	No Std	No Plan	Low (No Standard)	Risen from 60% in January 2023 to 65.7% in April 2023	LS
	Q01	Restrictive intervention incidents	Normal Variation	No Standard	13	No Std	No Plan	Low (No Standard)	Increased in month remains within expected range	SR
	Q02	Serious Incidents	Normal Variation	No Standard	15	No Std	No Plan	High (Action)	Despite low numbers, action is required due to magnitude	RN
	Q03	Harm Incidents	Normal Variation	No Standard	1,941	No Std	No Plan	Low (No Standard)	Decreased in the month, reported within expected range	RN
e	Q04	Safeguarding and Public Protection (SAPP)	Concern	No Standard	1,445	No Std	No Plan	Med (Monitoring)	Reported above the mean average for 8th consecutive months	RN
Care	Q05	Long term segregation and prolonged seclusion	Normal Variation	No Standard	24	No Std	No Plan	Low (No Standard)	10 out of last 11 months reported below average	SR
	Q06	Aggression and Violence	Normal Variation	No Standard	1,555	No Std	No Plan	Med (Monitoring)	Steep rises and falls in numbers due to current inpatient profile	RN
Quality	Q07	Number of Complaints	Normal Variation	No Standard	65	No Std	No Plan	Low (No Standard)	Decreased in the month, remaining within expected range	RN
ā	Q08	Care Plans compliance	Improvement	Consistently Fail	94.5%	95.0%	Internal	Med (Monitoring)	Gradual improvement over 20 months. Very close to target now	SR
	Q09	Risk Assessments compliance	Normal Variation	Achieve at Random	94.9%	95.0%	Internal	Med (Monitoring)	Recent improvement in 12 months, close to standard	SR
	Q10	CPA Completed review	Concern	Consistently Fail	79.8%	95.0%	Internal	High (Action)	Increased in the month, remains below standard	SR
	Q11	Staffing fill rates	Normal Variation	Consistently Fail	122.5%	120.0%	National	High (Action)	Reduced over the last 12 months, currently off target	SR
	A01	Out of Area Placement bed days	Normal Variation	Achieve at Random	237	186	LTP	High (Action)	Increased in month, relates to 13 patients within adult pathway	RD
	A02	Bed Occupancy including leave (open beds on RiO)	Normal Variation	Consistently Fail	92.8%	85.0%	National	High (Action)	Decreased in the month, remains above the optimal level of 85%	RD
	A03	% Adult inpatients discharged with LOS > 60 days	Normal Variation	No Standard	18.3%	No Std	No Plan	Low (No Standard)	Decrease in the month within expected range	RD
	A04	% OP inpatients discharged with LOS > 90 days	Normal Variation	No Standard	39.4%	No Std	No Plan	Low (No Standard)	Increased in the month within expected range	RD
	A05	Clinically Ready for Discharge (formerly DTOC)	Normal Variation	Consistently Fail	9.7%	7.5%	National	High (Action)	Improvement over last 4 months compared to previous 12 months	RD
ø	A06	Crisis % Very urgent seen within 4 hours (WAA&OP)	Normal Variation	No Standard	51.6%	No Std	No Plan	Med (Monitoring)	16 out of 31, fluctuates due to low numbers	RD
Care	A07	Crisis % Urgent seen within 24 hours (WAA&OP)	Normal Variation	No Standard	82.5%	No Std	No Plan	Low (No Standard)	485 out of 588. Data methodology under review.	RD
Led	A08	% PLT ED Referrals seen within 1 hour	Concern	No Standard	55.0%	No Std	LTP	Med (Monitoring)	Decreased over 24 months period and remains lower than peers	RD
	A09	% PLT Ward Referrals seen within 24 hours	Normal Variation	No Standard	77.8%	No Std	LTP	Low (No Standard)	Fluctuates but remains between 70% and 84%	RD
erson	A10	72 hour Follow-Up	Normal Variation	Consistently Achieve	91.2%	80.0%	LTP	Low (On Track)	Consistently exceeds 80% standard	RD
Per	A11	<18 weeks wait to Treatment Adults & Older Adults	Concern	No Standard	70.1%	No Std	No Plan	Med (Monitoring)	Deterioration from Jul-21 to Jul-22. Remains steady since July 22	RD
	A12	<18 weeks waits to Treatment - All CYPS	Concern	No Standard	39.3%	No Std	No Plan	Med (Monitoring)	61% (3,956 Of 6,512) have been waiting 18 weeks or longer	RD
	A13	<18 wk waits to Treatment CYPS Neurodevelopmental	Concern	No Standard	33.6%	No Std	No Plan	Med (Monitoring)	66% (3,492 Of 5,255) have been waiting 18 weeks or longer	RD
	A14	CYPS Eating Disorders (urgent referrals)	Improvement	Achieve at Random	100.0%	95.0%	LTP	Low (On Track)	Consistently met the standard for 15 months	RD
	A15	CYPS Eating Disorders (routine referrals)	Normal Variation	Achieve at Random	61.5%	95.0%	LTP	Med (Monitoring)	Decreased in the month, remains below standard	RD
	A16	EIP – starting treatment in 14 days	Normal Variation	Consistently Achieve	81.5%	60.0%	LTP	Low (On Track)	Consistently exceeds 60% standard	RD
(b)	A17	Talking Therapies % Moving to Recovery (IAPT)	Normal Variation	Achieve at Random	51.8%	50.0%	LTP	Low (On Track)	Improved and on target this month	RD
Sustainable	S01	Live within our means (I&E Surplus/Deficit £)	SPC N/A	SPC N/A	2.3M	1.2M	No Plan	High (Action)	23/24 forecast under significant pressure	KS
aine	S02	Capital spend compared to plan (£)	SPC N/A	SPC N/A	1.9M	1.2M	No Plan	Low (On Track)	Capital programme overcommitted	KS
Isté	S 03	Cash balance compared to plan (£)	SPC N/A	SPC N/A	36.6M	16.6M	No Plan	Low (On Track)	Cash balance on plan due to additional monies	KS
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Commitments to our Carers & Patients - Headline Commentary

Reporting Period: Aug 2023

Headline Challenges

Friends and Family Test Question

• How was your experience? (FFT) - At 86.5% this is not meeting standard and has decreased in the month. The latest national published FFT score for England is reported at 88% (June 23).

Points of You Questions

- **Did we listen to you?** At 87.9% this remains below standard but has increased in the month. People not feeling listened to remains a theme especially in younger people and young adults
- **Did you feel safe?** At 91.1% this remains below standard and has not significantly changed in 24 months. The majority of the 22 people reporting not feeling safe had accessed Community Treatment Teams (CYPS/Adult and Older Adult)
- Were you given helpful information? At 83.9% this has the lowest score of all questions.

Key focus areas of concern

- How was your experience (FFT)
- Did we listen to you? (PoY)
- Did you feel safe? (PoY)

Positive Assurance / Improvement

Targets are not currently being met for all these measures but have all seen an improvement in the month. Efforts continue to increase and respond to feedback within the Trust to support the improvement of services. There has been a month on month rise in responses through Points of You during this quarter.

Were staff kind and caring? - this measure is improving and reported at 93.9% remaining just below standard this month.

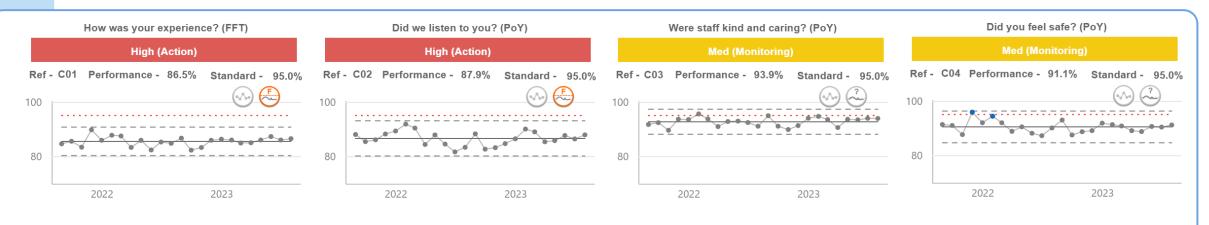
Mitigations/actions

- How was your experience (FFT)
- Teams and wards continue to be supported with the Points of You dashboard.
- Service User and Carer experience is a standing agenda item at locality Service User and Carer Experience meetings and addressed within locality Standards meetings.
- Did we listen to you? (PoY)
- Engagement with service users, carers and staff to develop an updated version of the Points of You survey has continued during the month. This process has been collaborative and engaged service users, carers and staff all localities.
- A full review of the carers awareness training planned with Carers Together advisory group, in preparation for a campaign to raise awareness of the training and it's importance to staff.
- Carer Promise awareness sessions supporting a Trustwide roll out of resources.
- Did you feel safe? (PoY)
- Raise awareness at CBU and Team level where people feel less safe and respond to any themes identified within the dashboards

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Commitments to our Carers & Patients

Reporting Period: Aug 2023



Were you given helpful information? (PoY)



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Great Place to Work - Headline Commentary

Reporting Period: Aug 2023

Headline Challenges

- **Sickness** The confirmed sickness within the report relates to July and is reported at 6.0%. There has been an increase in Covid related absence in the month. The provisional sickness for August 2023 is 6.12%.
- % of Training Compliance (Courses with a standard) – In August, 9 out of 27 courses are achieving or above the required standard, 18 remain below standard. Key challenges are linked to clinical demand to release staff to undertake essential training and appraisal.
- **Clinical Supervision** Performance decreased in the month across all localities.
- **Appraisals** Performance decreased in the month and remains below standard but, the trend continues to show improvement

Key focus areas of concern

Sickness

- % of Training Compliance (Courses with a standard)
- Clinical Supervision

Positive Assurance / Improvement

- Appraisal rate improved from 61% to 79% in 14 months
- Setting of training competencies and standards across all areas.
- Continuous proactive engagement with services around priority training including Information Governance, Fire and Safeguarding training.
- Dedicated Workforce support for both short and long term sickness management

Mitigations/actions

Sickness

- Dedicated Wellness Support Officers to support robust management of Short-Term Sickness reviews, to keep staff well at work
- Continued support in management of Long-Term Sickness to support signposting and recovery plans
- Promotion of wellbeing conversations to support local stress risk assessments, carers passports and WRAP plans, with dedicated locality resource.

% of Training Compliance (Courses with a standard)

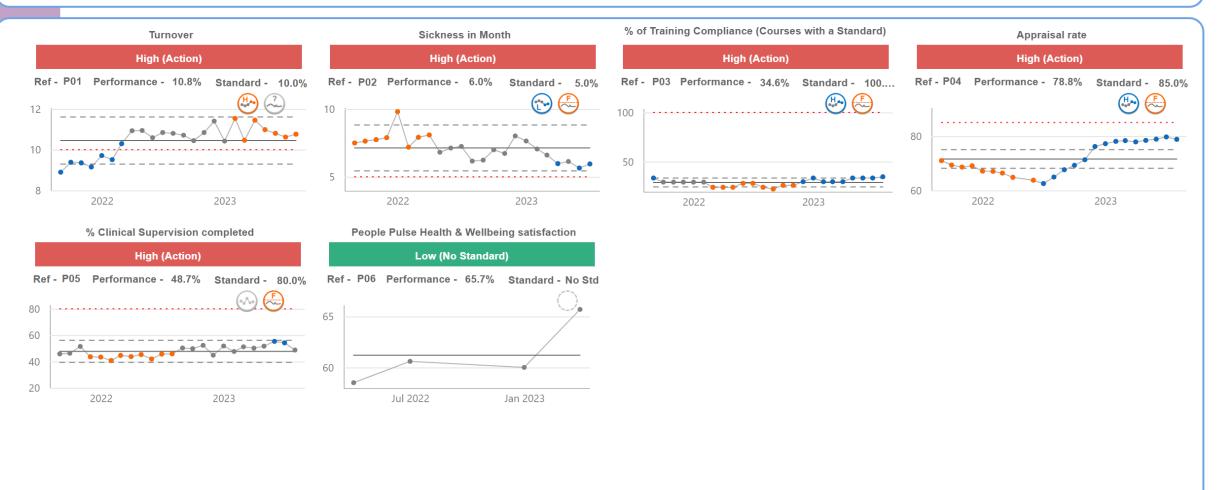
- The Training Needs Analysis tool has been updated with the modality of the training and trajectories being set
- Localities continue to work through Training Trajectory plans with CBU's, discussing regularly trainer the trainer opportunities or innovative ways of improving attendance rates

Clinical Supervision

- This is being monitored through local CMT and QS&O meetings within CBU's, setting expectations with CBU leadership team to re-embed supervision.
- Establishing and removing barriers to recording and solutions to data issues, working with the CNTW Training Academy

Great Place to Work

Reporting Period: Aug 2023



Quality Care, Everyday - Headline Commentary

Reporting Period: Aug 2023

Headline Challenges

- Serious Incidents The number of Serious Incidents has continued to reduce for the fourth consecutive month but there is no significant variance over last 2 years
- Safeguarding and Public Protection The number of reported safeguarding incidents has decreased for the second consecutive month but has remained above the mean average and is therefore highlighted as potential Special Cause variation.
- **CPA Complete Review** Off target, 79.8% against a 95% standard, although last 3 months it has improved.
- **Staff fill rates** Measure is off track despite a trend of improvement. Includes both day and night fill rates. Measure currently at 122.5% with the target parameters being 90-120%.

Key focus areas of concern

Serious Incidents

- Safeguarding and Public Protection
- CPA Completed Review

Positive Assurance / Improvement

- **Care Plan Compliance** improved from 92% to 94.5% in 1 year
- **Risk Assessment Compliance** slight increase in month and this measure is almost meeting the standard.

Mitigations/actions

Serious Incidents

Each serious incident is subject to an investigation which identifies areas of learning and recommendations. This forms an action plan and is subject to Trust and ICB governance processes to ensure that learning is embedded.

Safeguarding and Public Protection

Increased safeguarding reporting generally is in line with national trends and linked to greater awareness because of the rollout of level 3 training. Sapp Triage have highlighted that not all safeguarding incident reports are categorised correctly, and better data is required to enable analysis of safeguarding reporting An amendment to the data recording of outcome options via SAPP triage is to being trialled to better understand potential issues

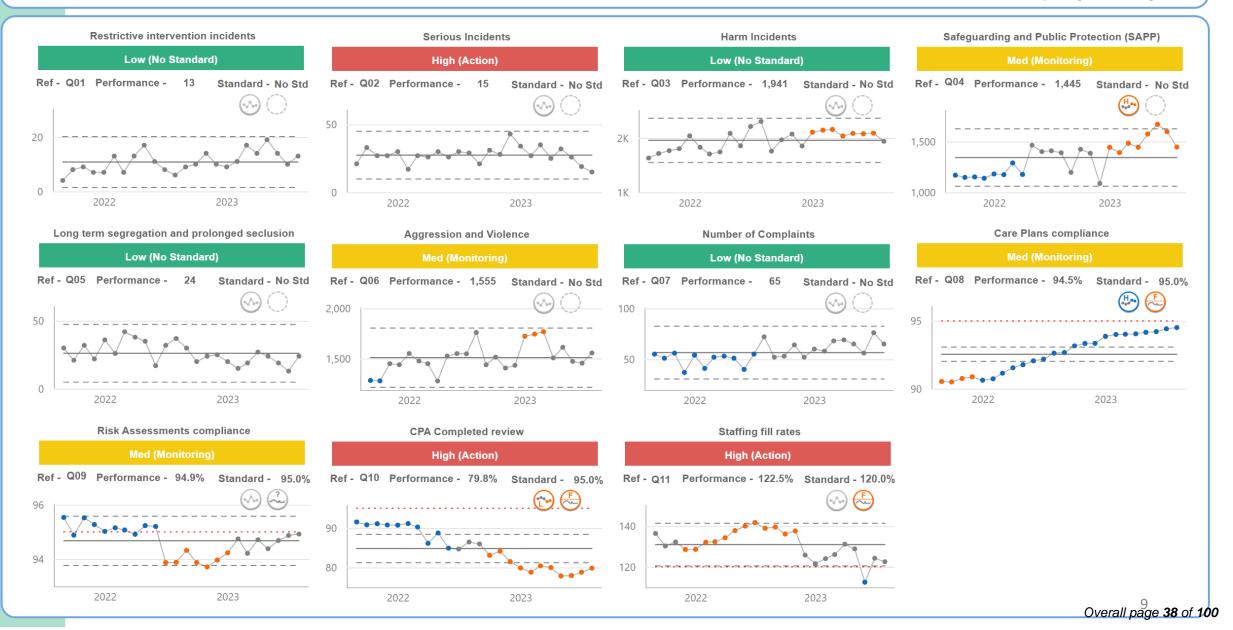
CPA Completed Review

There has been a focus on process elements regarding CPA and ensuring this is complete with staff being reminded this is an important measure of quality of care.

Oversight by pathway managers to ensure CPA reviews are planned. Caseloads are currently under review within the 7 Pioneer teams and monthly narrative and assurance templates are in place for Teams not meeting standards within some localities

Quality Care, Everyday

Reporting Period: Aug 2023



Person Led Care, when and where it's needed - Headline Commentary

Headline Challenges

- Out of Area Placements/Clinically Ready for Discharge/Bed Occupancy - All remain reported off target
- Crisis Very Urgent Referrals seen within 4 hours

 Very low referral numbers means performance
 fluctuates significantly.
- Psychiatric Liaison Referrals in ED within 1 hour
 Performance has decreased over a 24 month period and continues to remain lower than peers.
- All CYPS Waits for Treatment Performance deteriorated in the month reported at the lowest level since May 22. Numbers waiting over 18 weeks is at 3,956 of which 3,492 are within the neurodevelopmental pathway.

<18 weeks to Treatment - CYPS <p>Neurodevelopmental waits - Percentage seen within 18 weeks remains low and numbers waiting continue to rise each month. 3,492 are waiting over 18 weeks for Treatment. 4 week wait standard will be reported in the next report.

• **CYPS Eating Disorder Routine** – Decreased in the month. It has been off target for 24 months.

Key focus areas of concern

Of most concern

- Crisis Very Urgent Referrals
- Psychiatric Liaison Referrals in ED within 1 hour
- CYPS Neurodevelopmental waits

Of concern:

• CYPS Eating Disorder Routine

Positive Assurance / Improvement

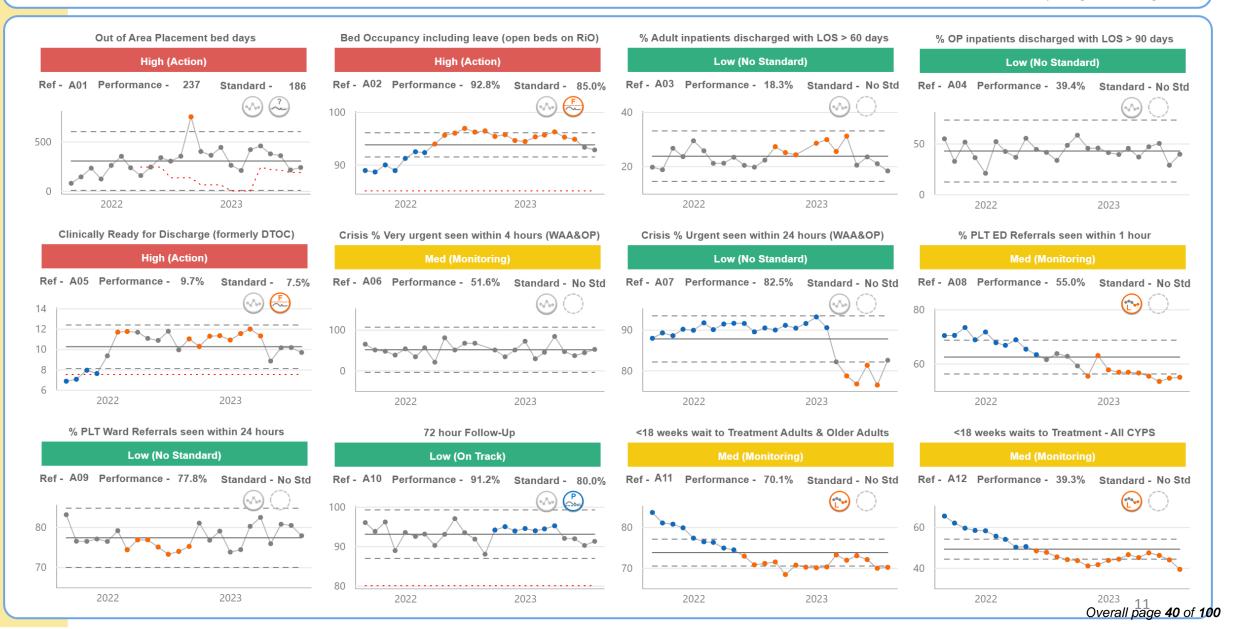
- EIP services remain consistently above the standard.
- 72hr follow up after discharge is consistently met.
- Clinically Ready for Discharge has dropped below 10% for last 4 months, was between 10 and 12% for 15 months before then.
- **Bed Occupancy** Continually improved in the last 4 months
- Out of Area Placements improved closer to target last 2 months

Mitigations/actions

- Crisis Very Urgent Referrals seen within 4 hours New Crisis Model is being developed,. This will involve, improving the 136 suite flow, developing alternatives to admission, community interface, discharge model/in-reach and the development of 111 for Mental Health. <u>Recovery plan is being put in place</u>.
- **Psychiatric Liaison Referrals in ED within 1 hour** The challenges are in North and Central, with the South and North Cumbria performing in line with national averages. There is improvement work to standardise processes, including simplifying recording methods. <u>Recovery plan being put in place</u>.
- <18 weeks to Treatment CYPS Neurodevelopmental waits - Waiting times update provided monthly to Q&P Committee. Trust wide CYPS neurodevelopment task and finish group to look at standardising practice. The final redesigned pathway to be clearly defined by end of September 2023 and presented to the community oversight group in October 2023. <u>Recovery plan in place with ICB</u> <u>escalation.</u>
- **CYPS Eating Disorder Routine** The Trust have been engaging in the ICB improvement programme for CYPS ED services, linked to the 22/23 SDIP and are in receipt of the report which makes recommendations to the ICB regarding the future of CYPS ED services. This document has been considered by CNTW and a response has been provided to the ICB. The recommendations in the report are due to be considered by the ICB.

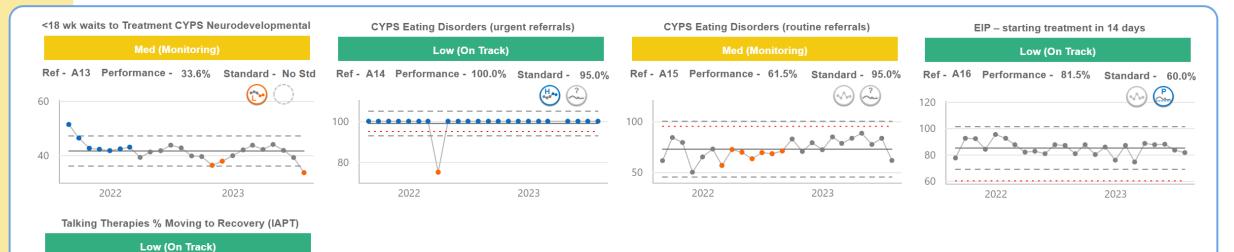
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Person Led Care, when and where it's needed

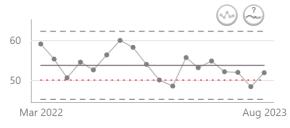


Person Led Care, when and where it's needed

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Ref - A17 Performance - 51.8% Standard - 50.0%



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Sustainable for the Long Term - Headline Commentary

Headline Challenges

- Trust financial position at month 5 is marginally better than plan. Plan includes phasing adjustment to reflect phasing of efficiencies. On removal of the phasing adjustment the Trust is showing £6.3m overspend at the end August (month 5).
- At the end of month 5 the Trust has spent £7.7m on agency staff against a plan £7.0m and against the Trust's nationally applied agency ceiling of £6.0m.
- The Trust is forecasting to deliver the plan of financial break-even at the end of the year. The major risk to delivery of financial plan is WTE numbers, which remain over planned levels.
- Cost trends need to change to deliver the financial forecast.
- There is significant pressure on several inpatient wards to deliver services within the revised baseline staffing establishments, all four inpatient CBUs are overspent.
- The Trust financial position includes the gain on disposal of land. The land sale negotiations are yet to be finalised, but there is an increasing risk the land sale will be less than the estimate included in the Trust plan.

Key focus areas of concern

- Year to date the Trust is overspent across key budgets
- Delivery of the Trust planned efficiencies is a risk to delivery of the Trusts planned financial break-even
- The level of WTE across the Trust (particularly temporary staffing)
- Trust cash balances will come under pressure from continued deficits, plan reflects surpluses in second half of the year. If the surpluses are not delivered cash will be further depleted.
- Capital schemes being reviewed to confirm delivery to configuration and timescales in current programme.
- Trust underlying financial position planning 24/25

Positive Assurance / Improvement

- Trust current cash balances are over plan from slippage in capital programme and PDC secured at the end of 22/23
- Senior Management commitment to improve financial position – focus of BDG on a monthly basis with specific financial reviews of areas of most concern
- Agency spend on downward trend, average monthly agency spend in Q4 22/23 £1.64m, average Q1 23/24, £1.58m, average in Q2 £1.47m. This trend needs to continue to improve without offsetting expenditure elsewhere.

Mitigations/actions

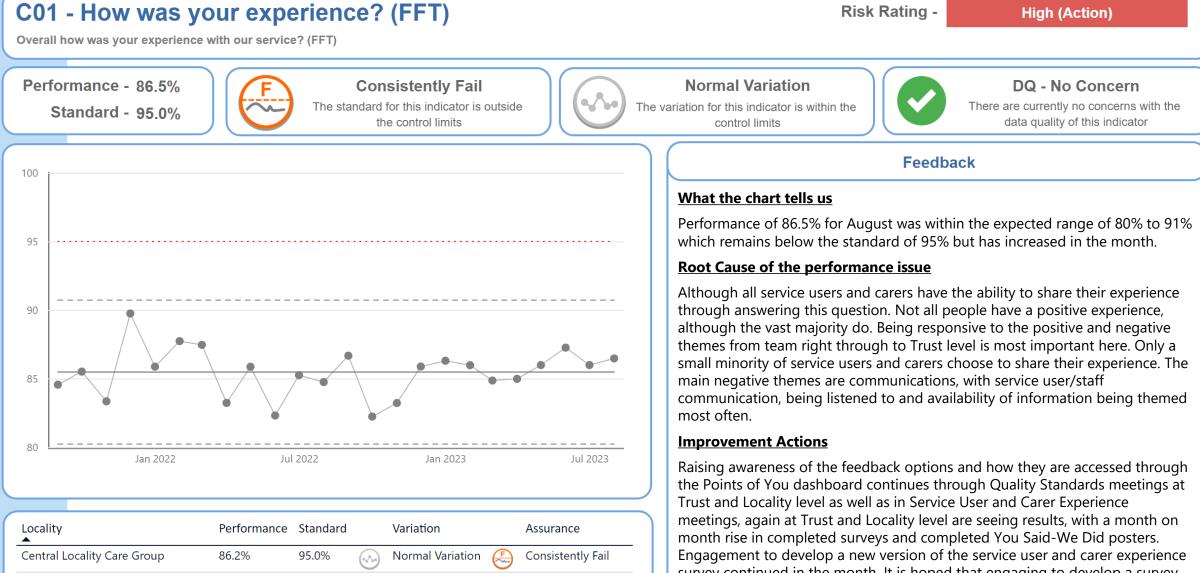
- BDG monthly finance focus sessions to agree actions to impact on the Trust financial position and review of progress to deliver the Trust Cost Improvement Plan.
- Groups / Departments highlighted areas under review to impact on financial performance. BDG discussions to clarify where they improve financial forecast.
- Daily staffing reviews taking place across inpatient areas.
- Pursing capital funding for CEDAR scheme to support Trust cash balances

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Sustainable for the Long Term

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North Locality Care Group

South Locality Care Group

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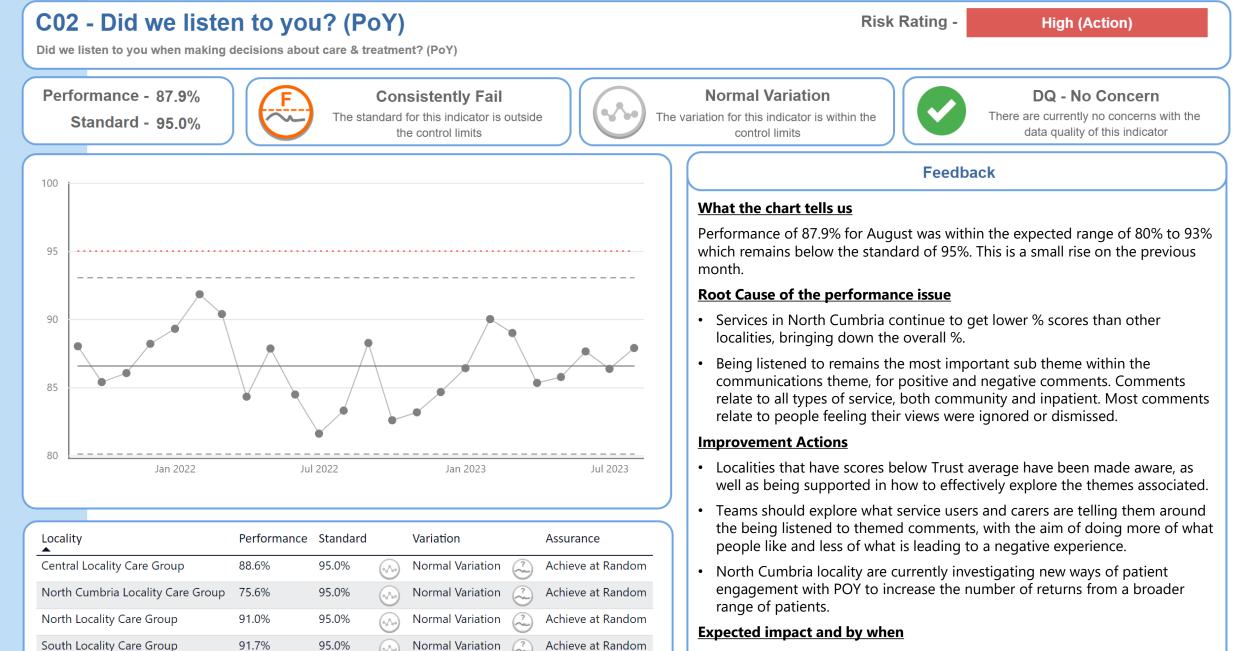
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Engagement to develop a new version of the service user and carer experience survey continued in the month. It is hoped that engaging to develop a survey with questions people want to answer could increase completion of surveys going forward.

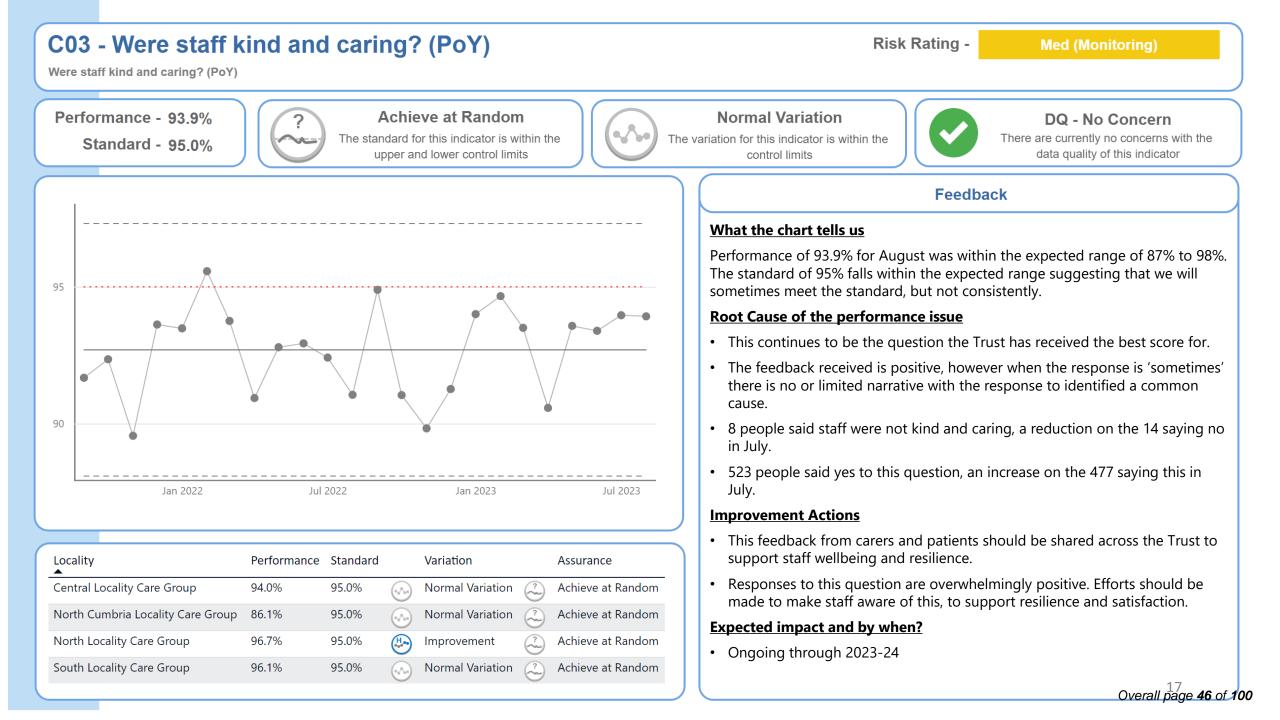
Expected impact and by when?

Ongoing through 2023-24

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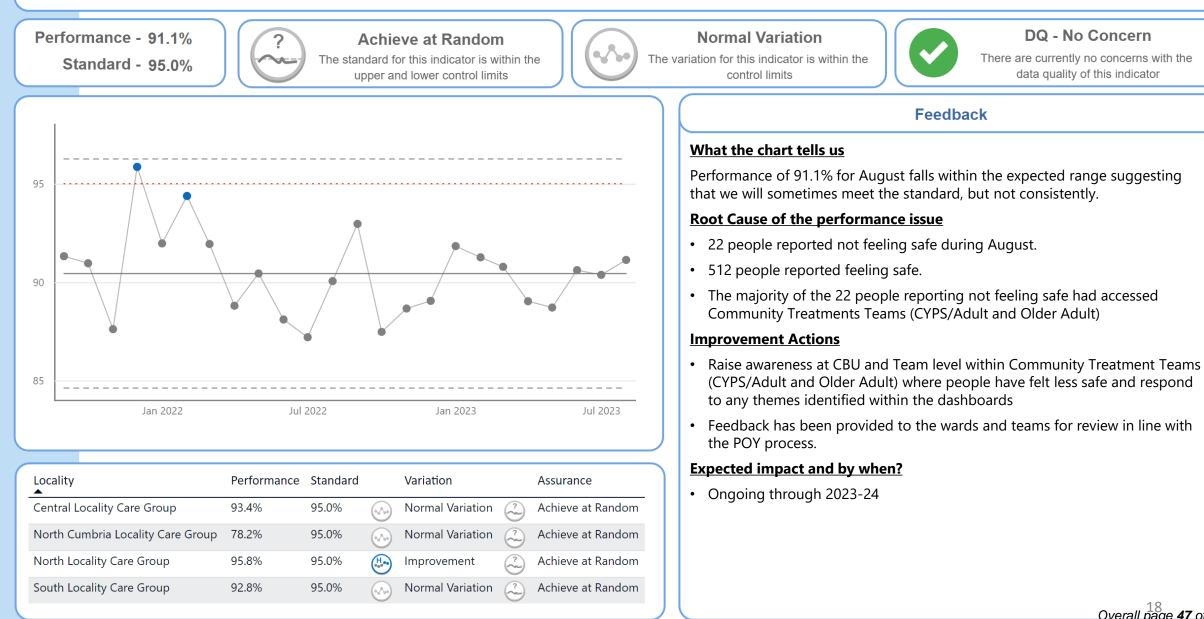


Improvement towards the standard and increased feedback received during 2023-24. Overall page **45** of **100**



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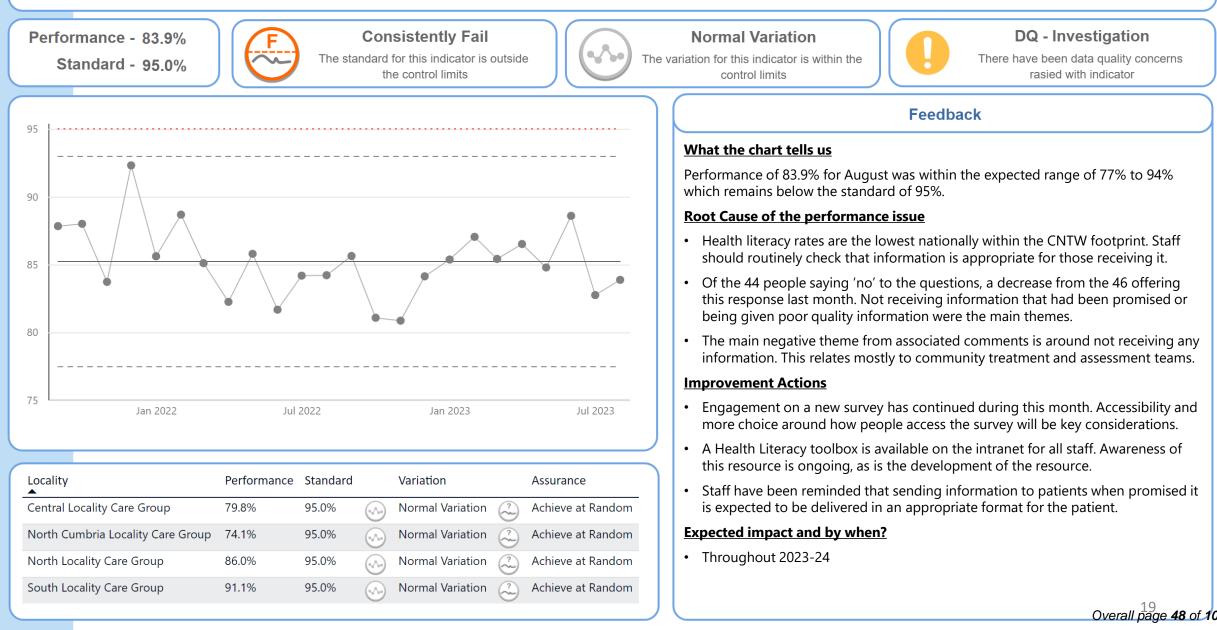
Did you feel safe with our service? (PoY)

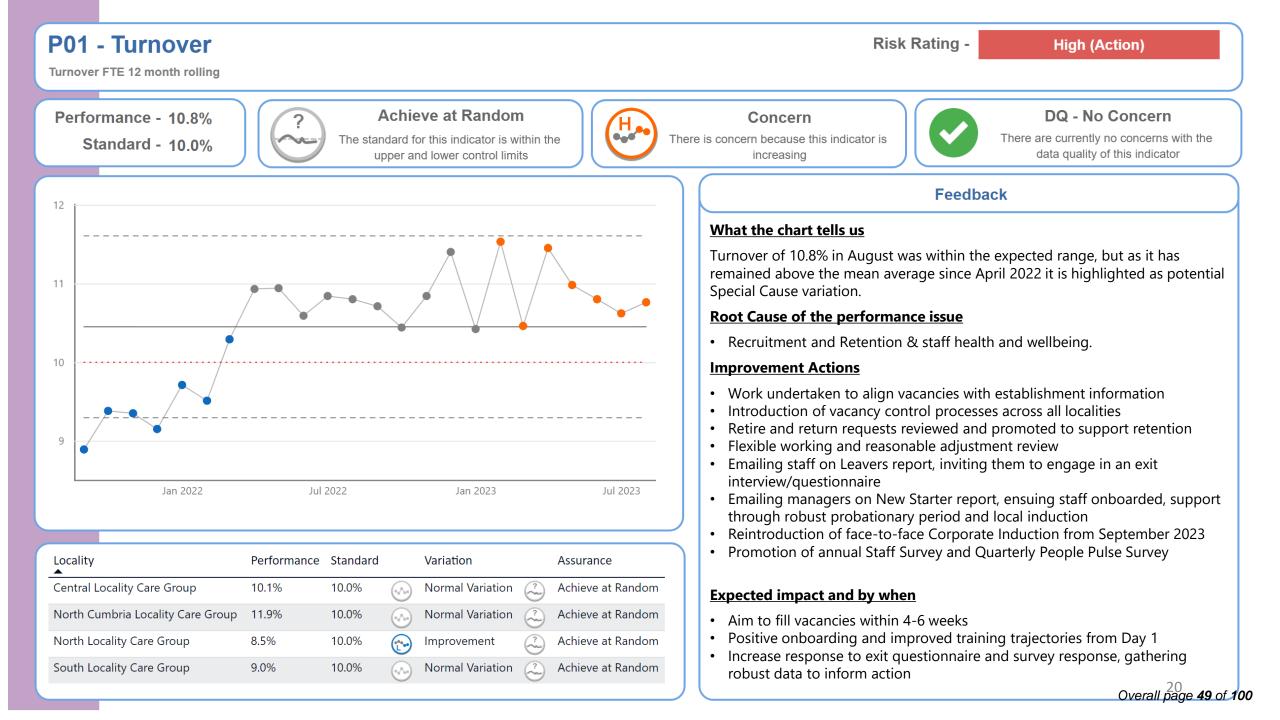


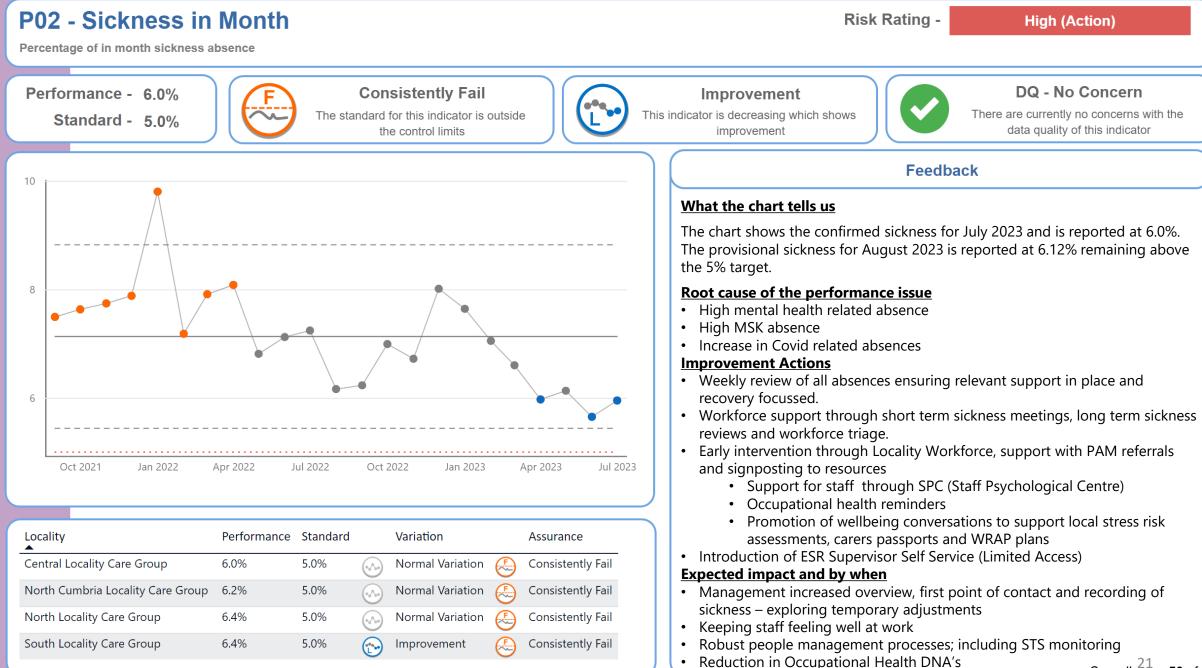
C05 - Were you given helpful information? (PoY)

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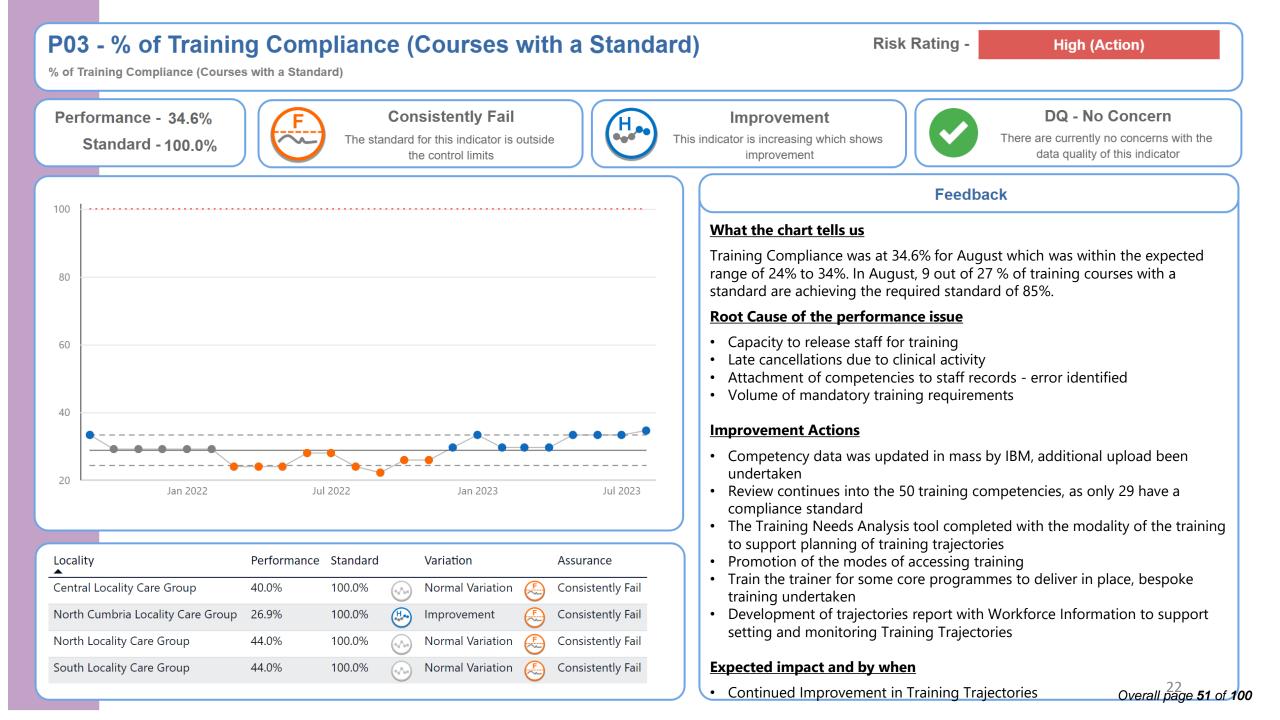
Were you given information that was helpful? (PoY)







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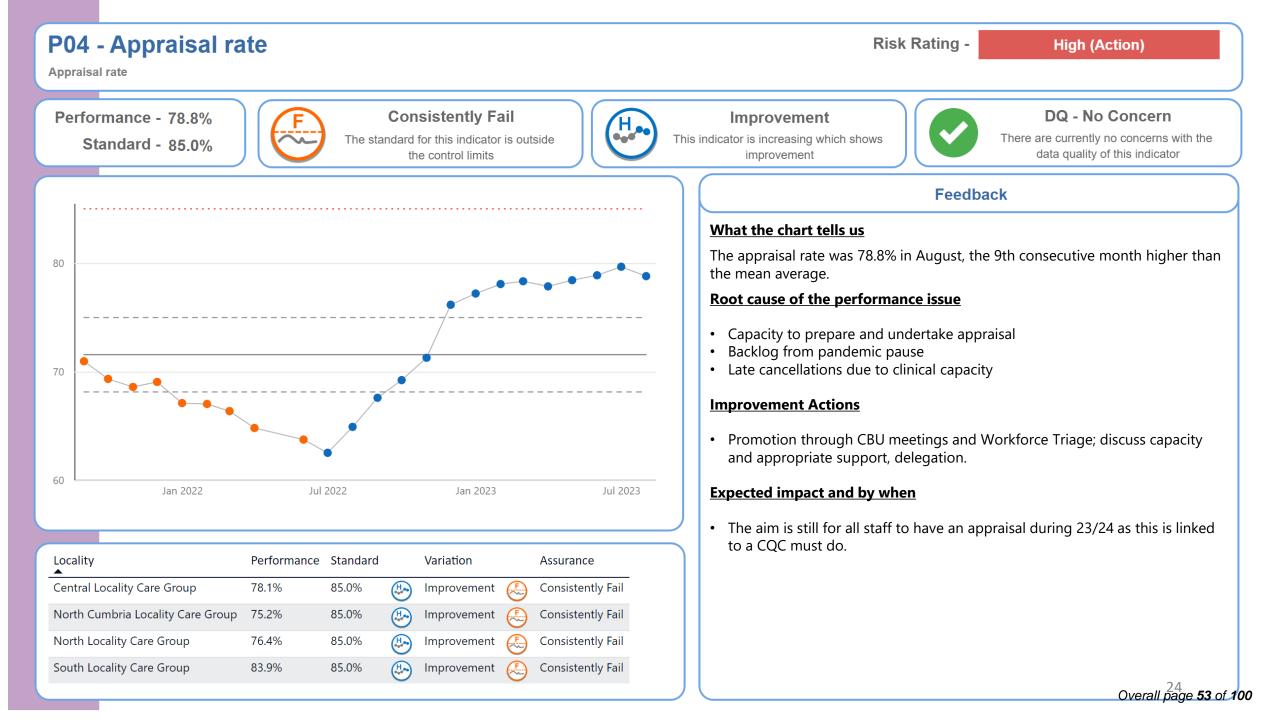


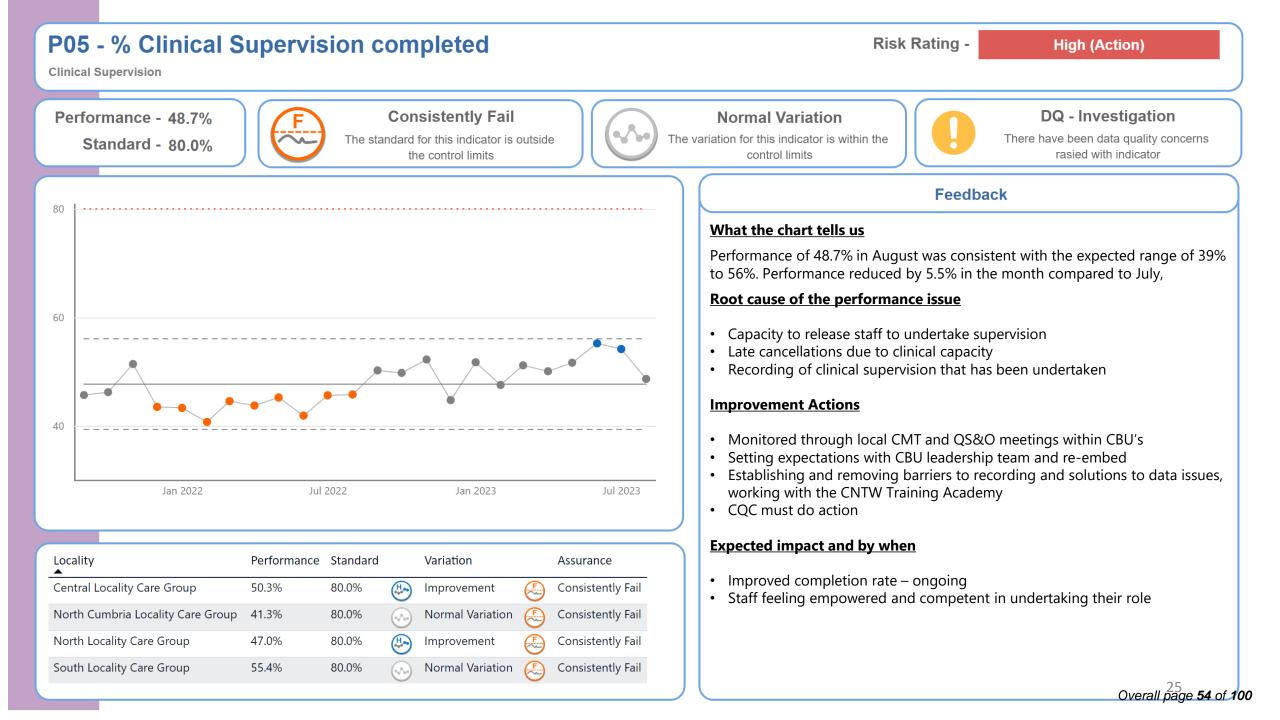
Training - Summary Overview

Great Place to Work - Training

Reporting Period: Aug 2023

Ref	Indicator Name	Variation	Assurance	Performance	Standard	Numerator	Denominator	Plan	Risk Rating
T01	Training - Clinical Risk and Suicide Prevention	Normal Variation	Consistently Fail	72.8%	85.0%	2059	2829	Internal	High (Action)
T02	Training - Clinical Supervision	Normal Variation	Consistently Fail	77.2%	85.0%	2609	3381	Internal	High (Action)
T03	Training - Equality & Diversity Introduction	Improvement	Consistently Achieve	95.0%	85.0%	9417	9908	Internal	Low (On Track)
т04	Training - Fire	Improvement	Achieve at Random	87.7%	85.0%	8685	9908	Internal	Low (On Track)
T05	Training - Health & Safety	Improvement	Consistently Achieve	93.8%	85.0%	9294	9908	Internal	Low (On Track)
т06	Training - IPC	Improvement	Consistently Achieve	93.0%	85.0%	9217	9908	Internal	Low (On Track)
т07	Training - Medicines Management Training	Concern	Achieve at Random	66.8%	85.0%	1889	2828	Internal	High (Action)
т08	Training - Moving & Handling Awareness Training	Improvement	Consistently Achieve	93.5%	85.0%	9260	9908	Internal	Low (On Track)
т09	Training - PMVA Basic	Improvement	Consistently Fail	57.2%	85.0%	1509	2637	Internal	High (Action)
T10	Training - Rapid Tranquilisation Training	Concern	Consistently Fail	58.0%	85.0%	832	1435	Internal	High (Action)
T11	Training - Safeguarding Adults Level 1	Improvement	Consistently Achieve	95.0%	85.0%	2422	2549	Internal	Low (On Track)
T12	Training - Safeguarding Adults Level 2	Improvement	Achieve at Random	91.0%	85.0%	2613	2873	Internal	Low (On Track)
T13	Training - Safeguarding Adults Level 3	Improvement	Consistently Fail	77.6%	85.0%	3101	3997	Internal	High (Action)
T14	Training - Safeguarding Children Level 1	Improvement	Consistently Achieve	95.3%	85.0%	2430	2549	Internal	Low (On Track)
T15	Training - Safeguarding Children Level 2	Improvement	Consistently Fail	87.6%	85.0%	2516	2873	Internal	Med (Monitoring)
T16	Training - Safeguarding Children Level 3	Improvement	Consistently Fail	80.5%	85.0%	3219	3997	Internal	High (Action)
T17	Training - Information Governance	Improvement	Consistently Fail	93.0%	95.0%	9211	9908	Internal	Med (Monitoring)
T18	Training - Seclusion Training	Concern	Consistently Fail	51.3%	85.0%	1666	3248	Internal	High (Action)
T19	Training - PMVA Breakaway	Concern	Consistently Fail	60.5%	85.0%	2255	3728	Internal	High (Action)
T20	Training - MHA MCA DoLS Combined	Normal Variation	Consistently Fail	63.2%	85.0%	4114	6505	Internal	High (Action)
T21	Training Resuscitation L2 Adult Basic Life Support	Concern	Consistently Fail	42.6%	85.0%	750	1762	Internal	High (Action)
T22	Training Resuscitation L2 Newborn Basic Life Support	Concern	Consistently Fail	0.0%	85.0%	0	28	Internal	High (Action)
T23	Training Resuscitation L2 Paediatric Basic Life Supp	Normal Variation	Consistently Fail	4.7%	85.0%	35	747	Internal	High (Action)
T24	Training Resuscitation L3 Adult Immediate Life Supp	Improvement	Consistently Fail	57.1%	85.0%	1853	3248	Internal	High (Action)
T25	Training Resuscitation L3 Paediatric Immed Life Supp	Concern	Consistently Fail	0.0%	85.0%	0	269	Internal	High (Action)
T26	Training - Autism Core Capabilities: Tier 1 & 2	SPC N/A		45.7%	85.0%	457	1001	Internal	High (Action)
T27	Training - Learning Disability Tier 1	SPC N/A		44.0%	85.0%	440	1001	Internal	High (Action) Overall page 52 of 100

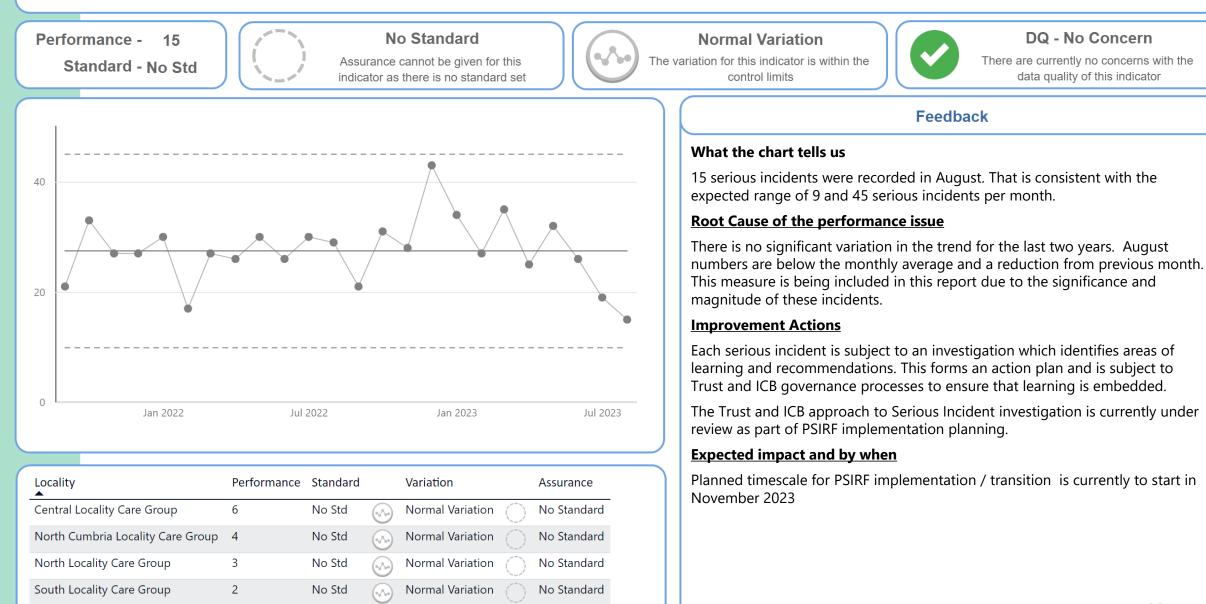




Q02 - Serious Incidents

Number of Serious Incidents

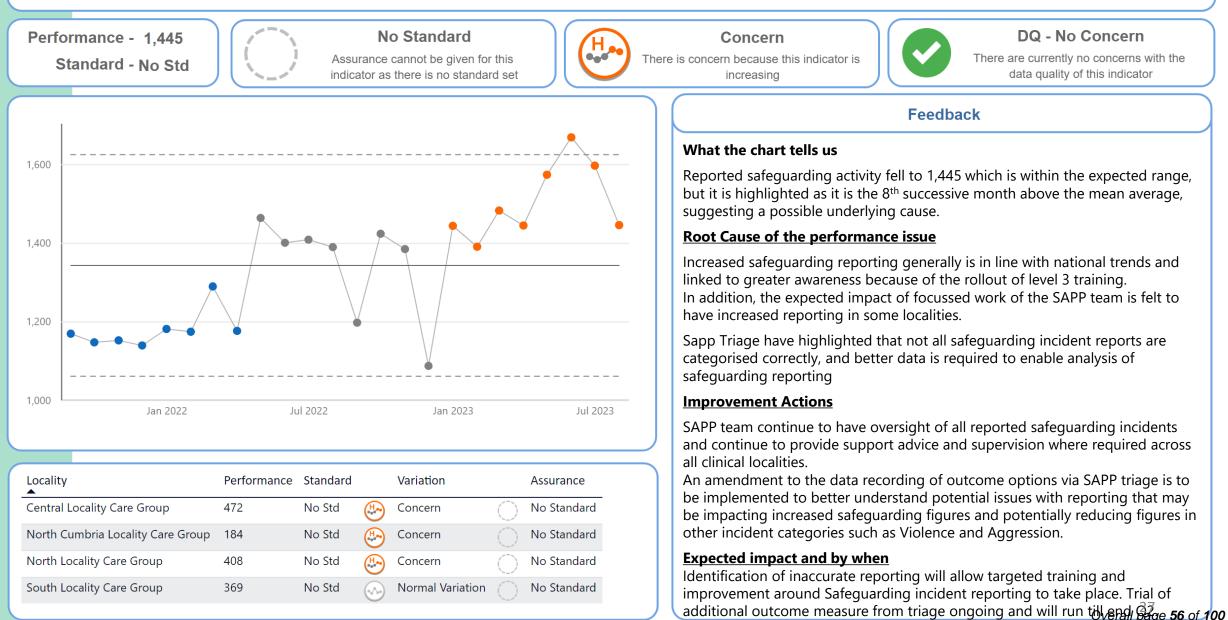
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Q04 - Safeguarding and Public Protection (SAPP)

Risk Rating -

Safeguarding and Public Protection (SAPP)



Q06 - Aggression and Violence

Aggression and Violence

Central Locality Care Group

North Locality Care Group

South Locality Care Group

North Cumbria Locality Care Group

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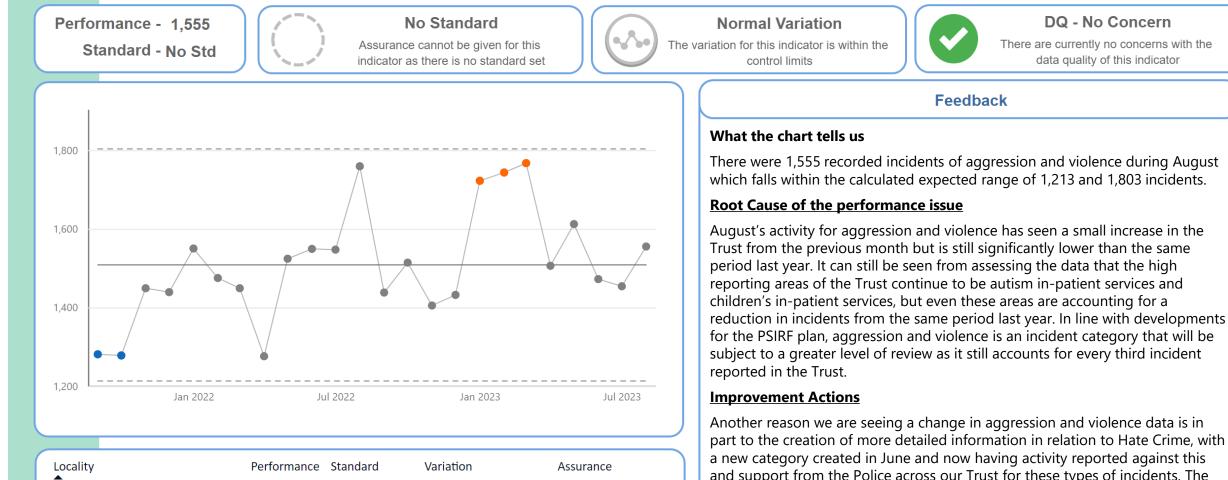
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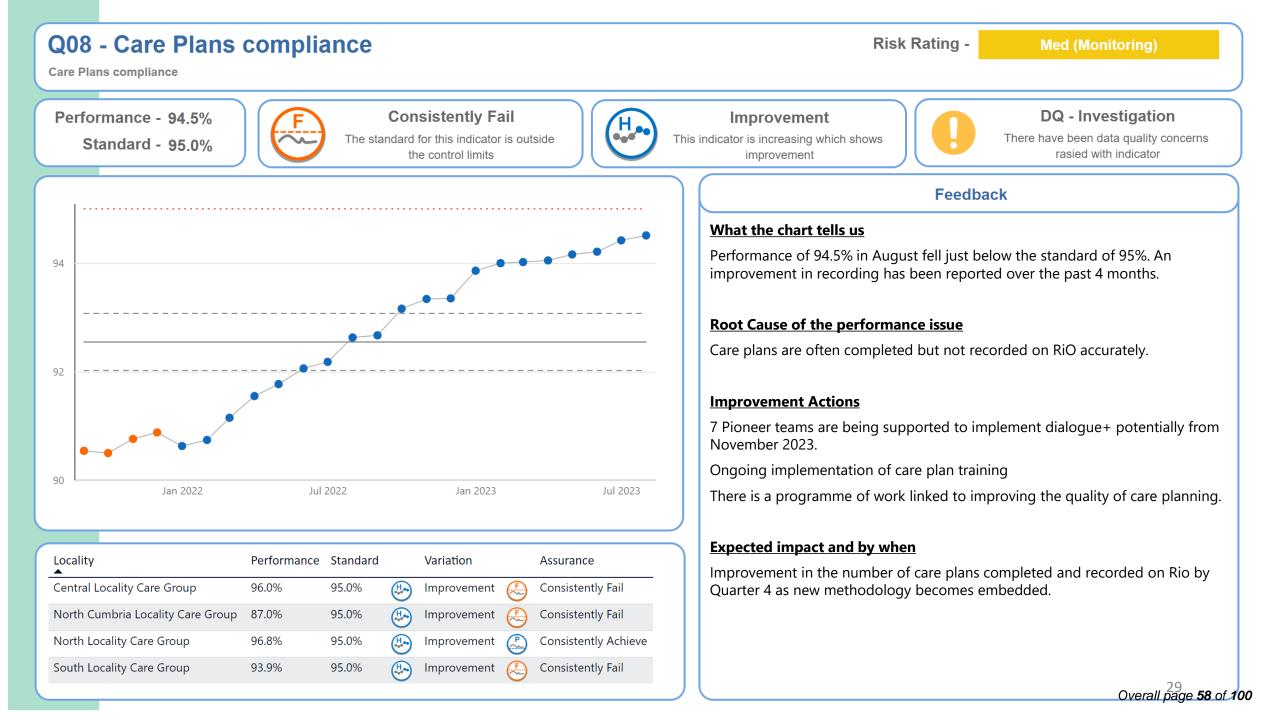
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Assurance	a new category created in June and now having activity reported against this and support from the Police across our Trust for these types of incidents. The				
No Standard	focus of these incidents is predominantly from patients to staff and in respect				
No Standard	of race.				

Expected impact and by when

Development of the Hate Crime information will continue to be evaluated with early learning already shared with the Trust Safety Group.





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South Locality Care Group

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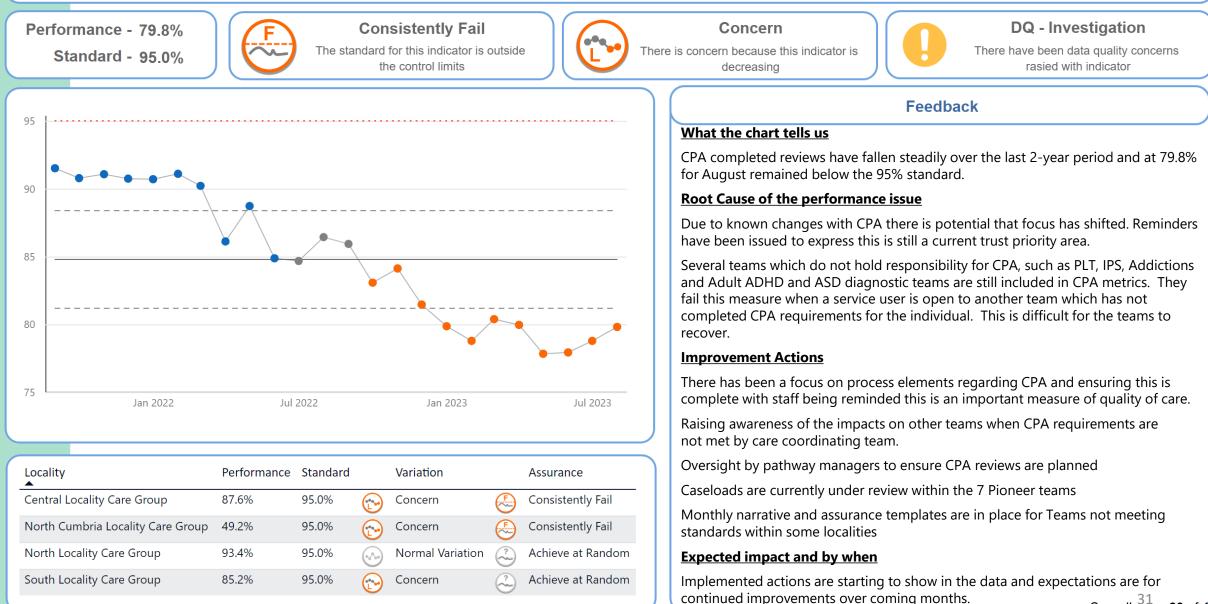
The metric is expected to continue to improve and reach the target during Q2.

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Q10 - CPA Completed review

Risk Rating

Number of current Service Users, aged 18 or over, who were on CPA for at least 12, who have had a review in the last 12 months.



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Q11 - Staffing fill rates

Staffing fill rates - All day/night and Reg/Unreg

North Cumbria Locality Care Group

North Locality Care Group

South Locality Care Group

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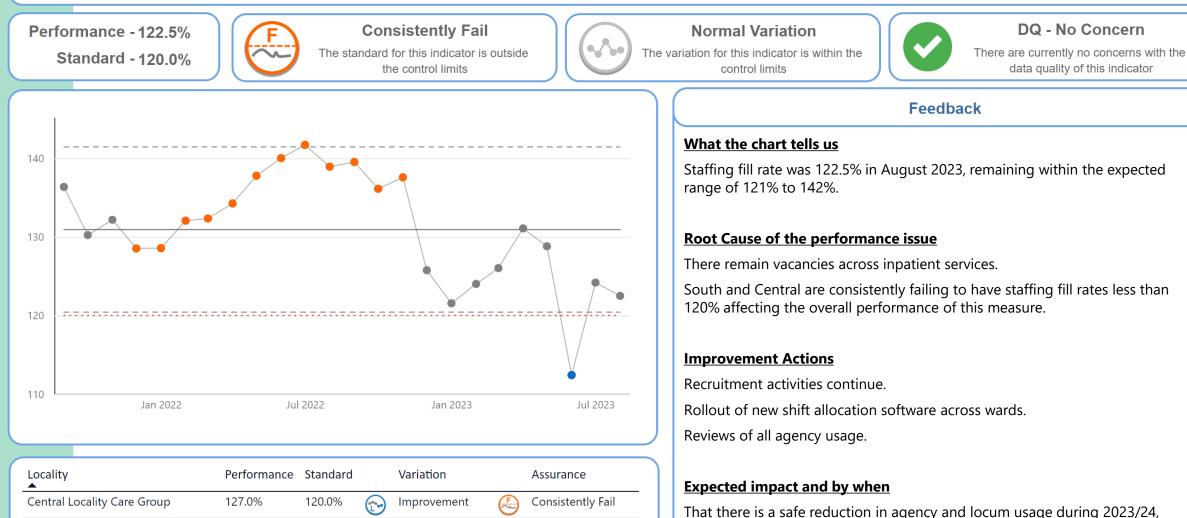
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That there is a safe reduction in agency and locum usage during 2023/24, alongside an increase in the number of substantive CNTW staff working on the wards.

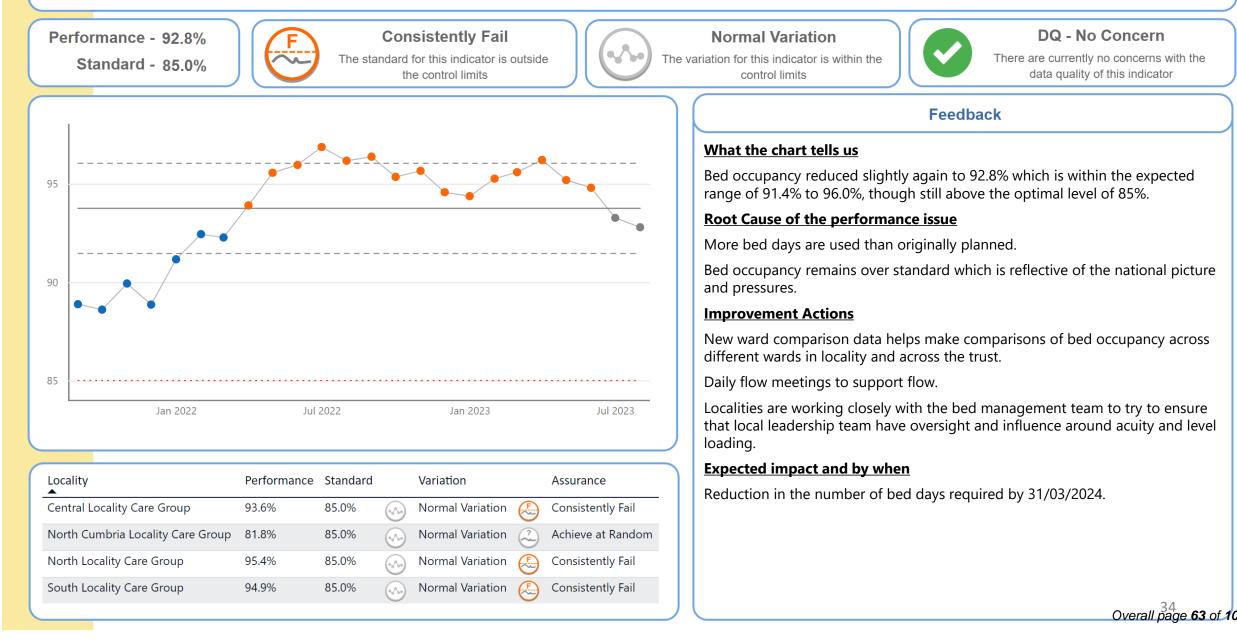
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A02 - Bed Occupancy including leave (open beds on RiO)

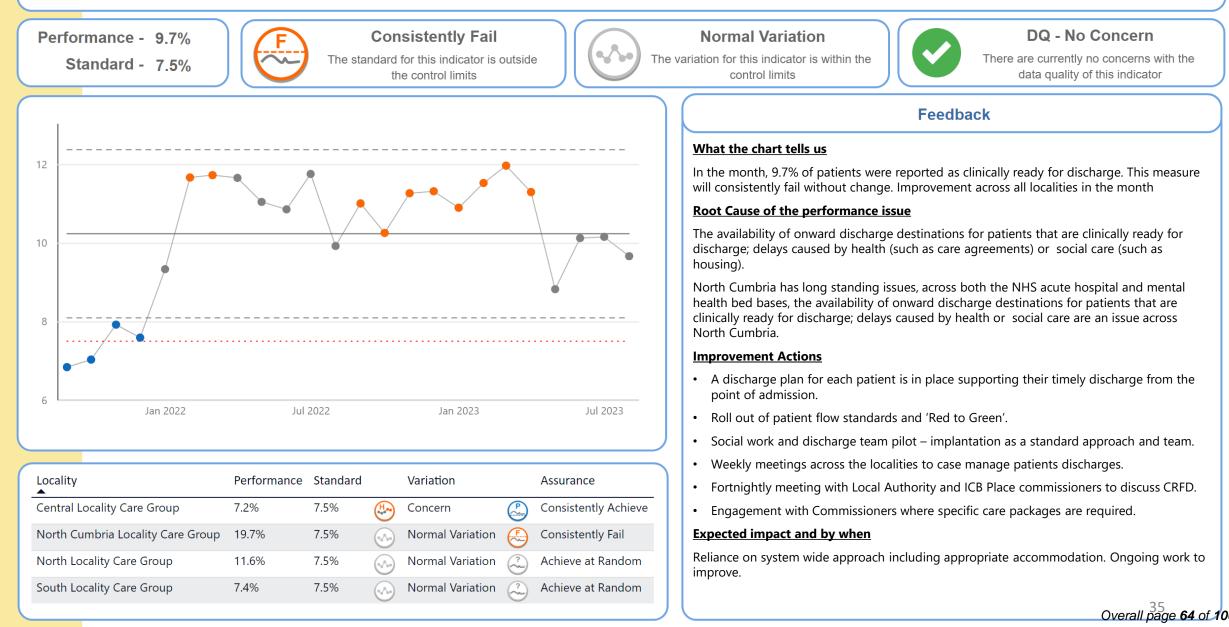
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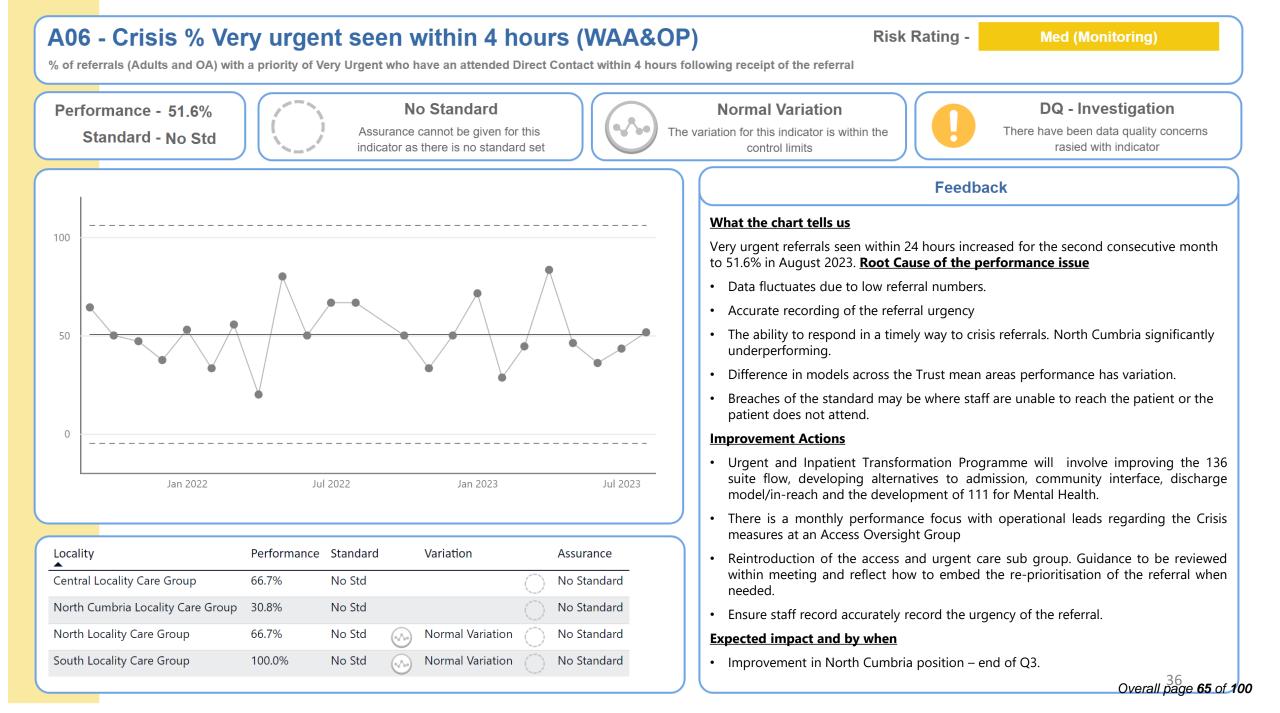


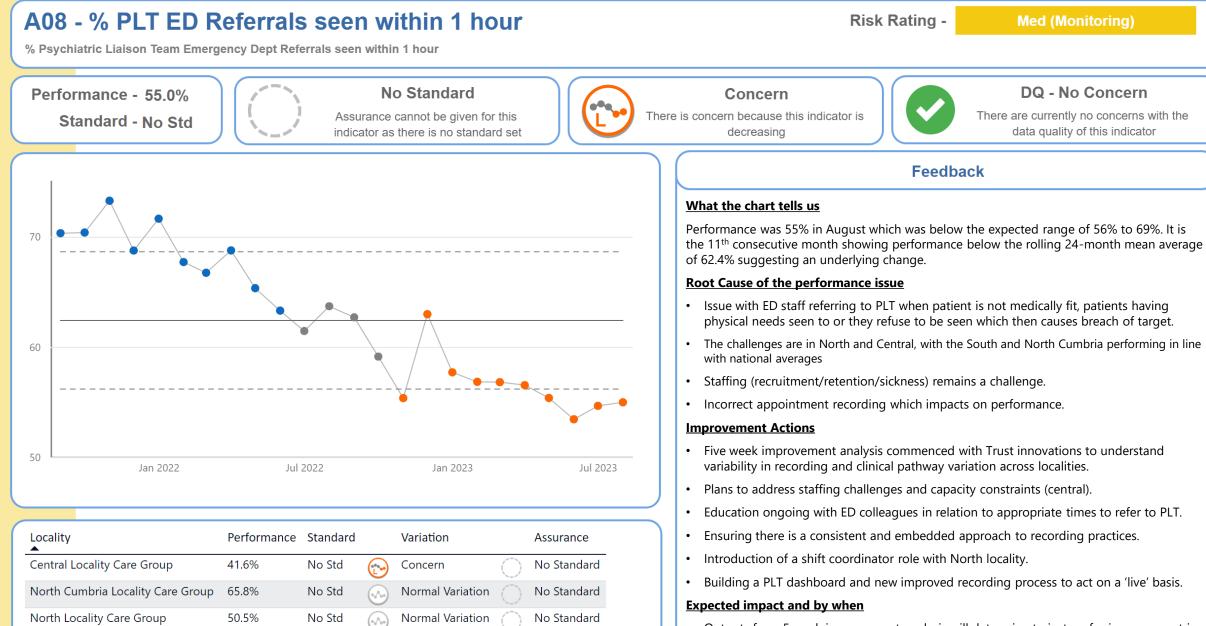
A05 - Clinically Ready for Discharge (formerly DTOC)

Percentage of patients clinically Ready for Discharge (formerly DTOCs) at the end of the month (Q&P Metric 298: Current Delayed Transfers of Care days (Incl Social Care)



Risk Rating -





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South Locality Care Group

71.3%

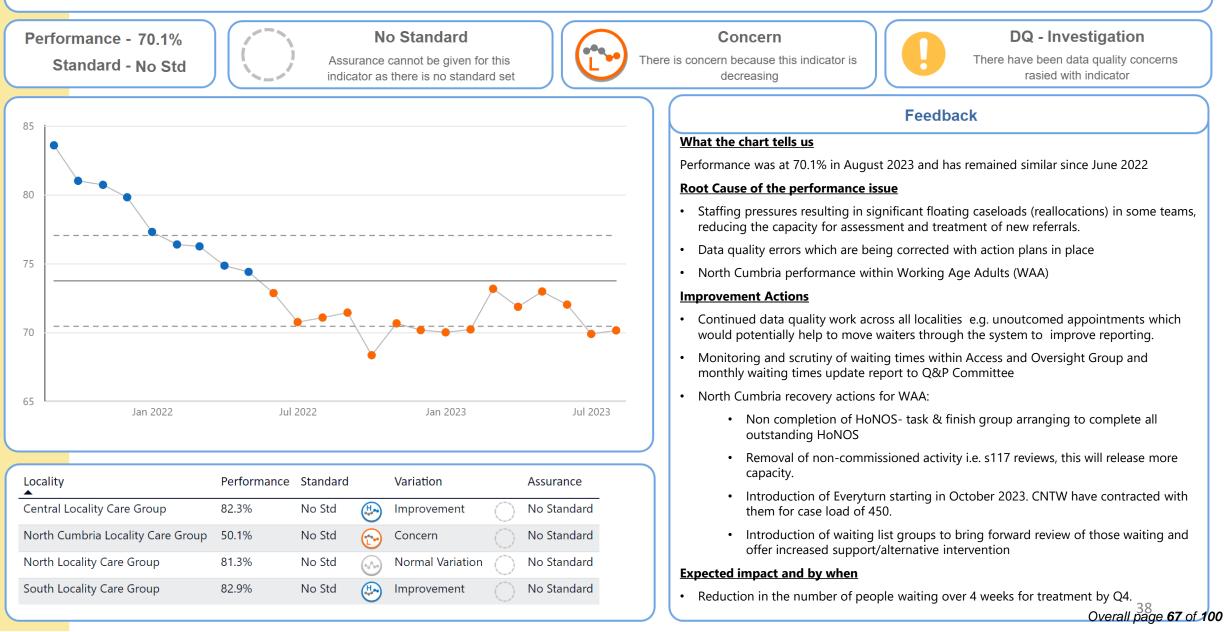
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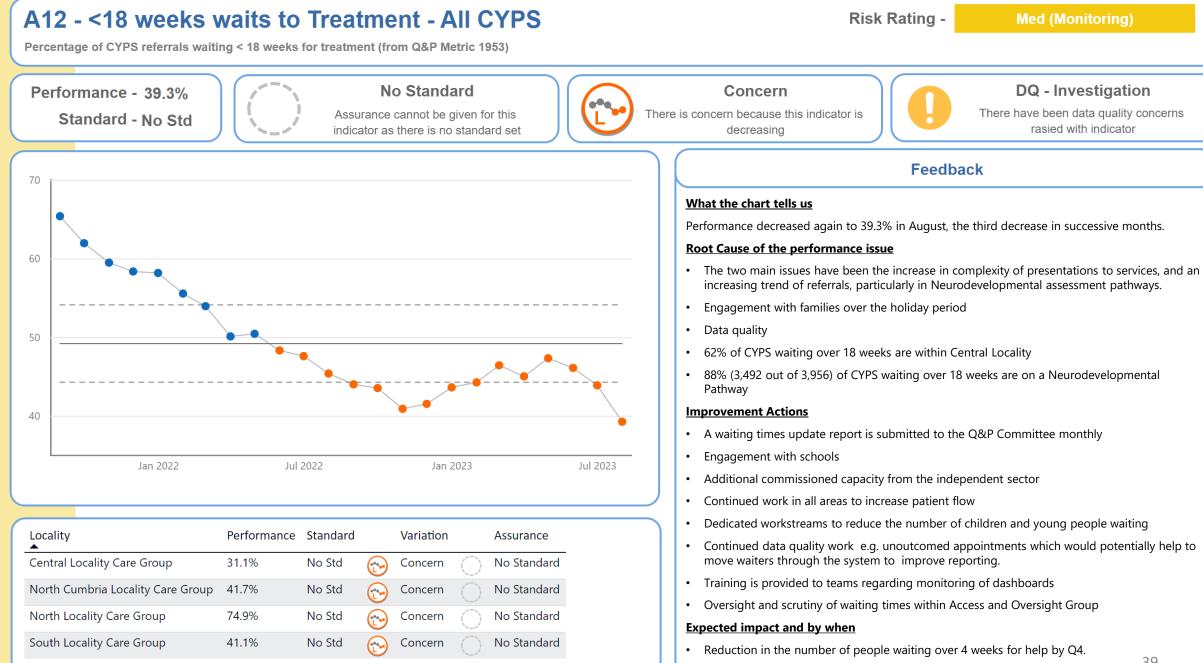
 Outputs from 5 week improvement analysis will determine trajectory for improvement in Central and North localities. To be reported to Q&P Committee – November.

A11 - <18 weeks wait to Treatment Adults & Older Adults

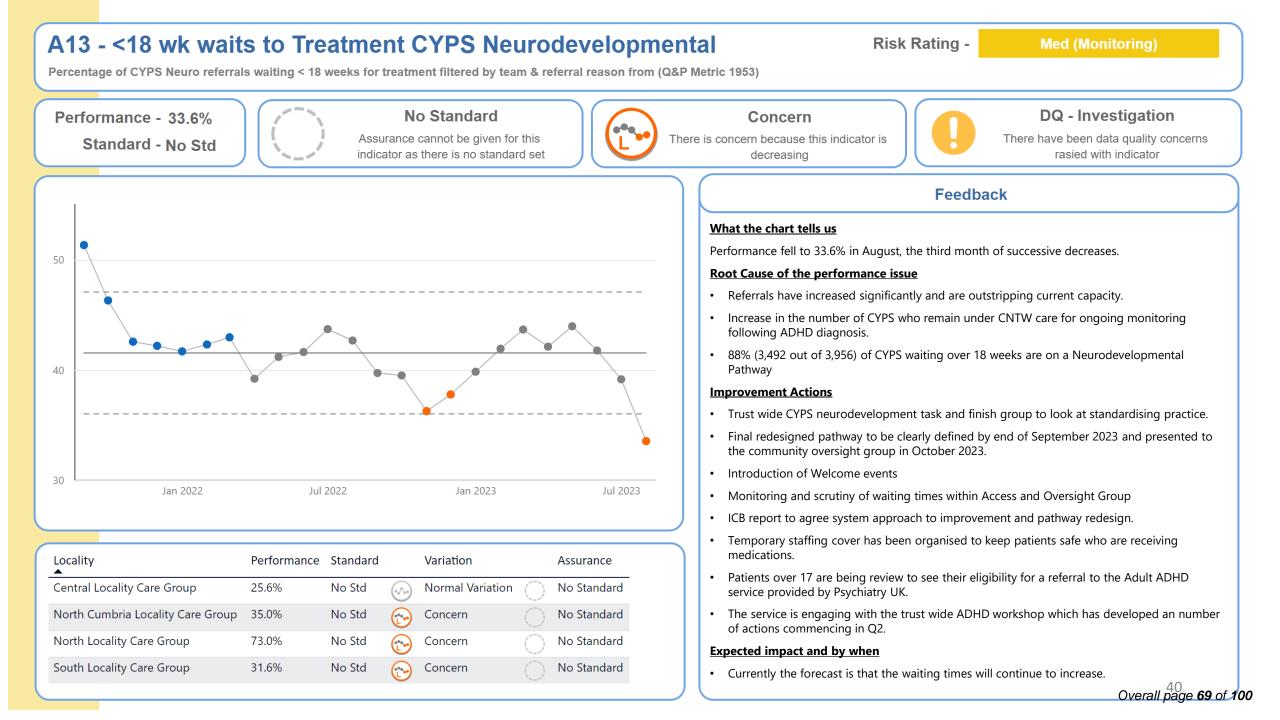
Percentage of referrals waiting < 18 weeks for treatment (from Q&P Metric 1873,1882)



Risk Rating -

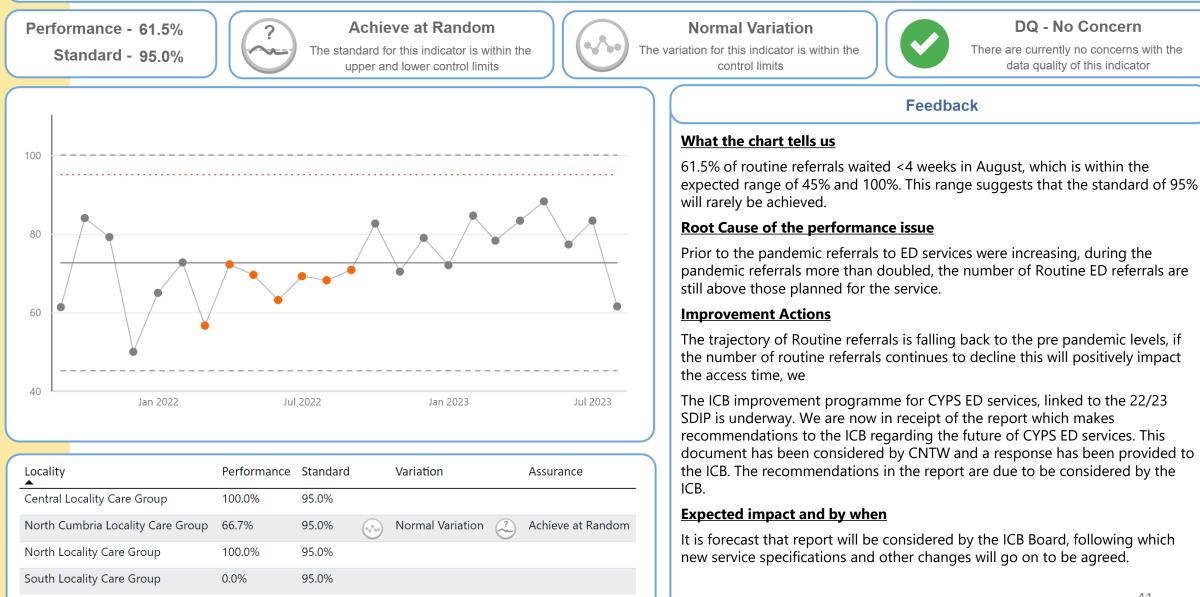


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A15 - CYPS Eating Disorders (routine referrals)

Percentage of eating disorder CYPS referrals that waited <= 4 weeks routine completed (Q&P Metric 1865)



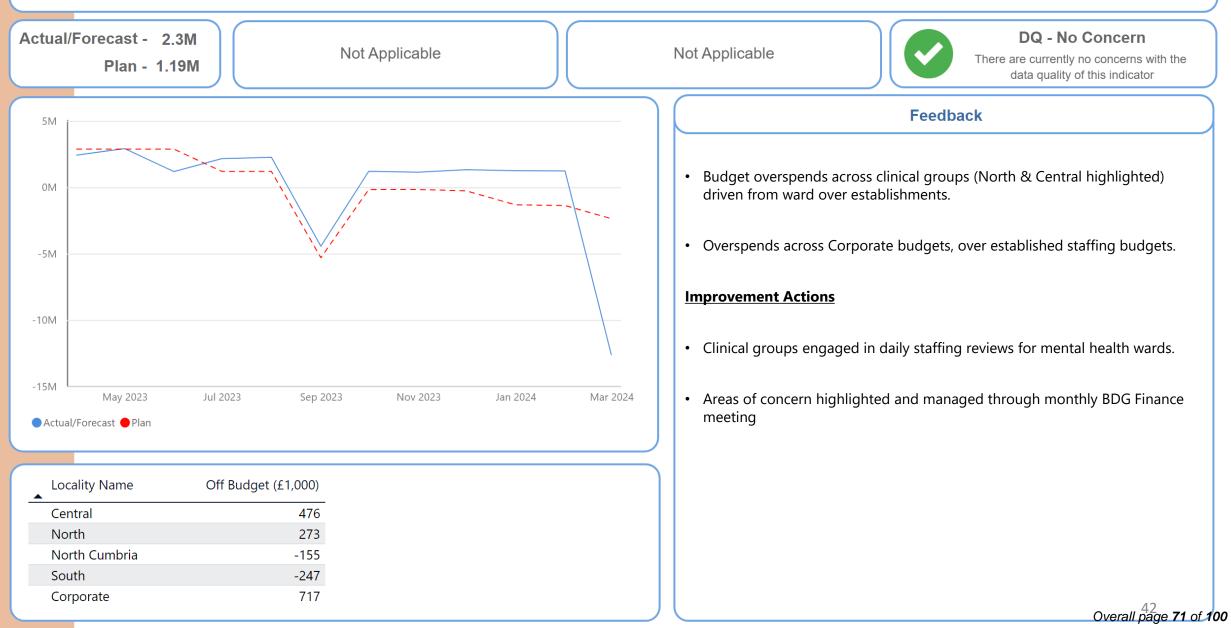
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Risk Rating -

S01 - Live within our means (I&E Surplus/Deficit £)

Risk Rating -

Live within our means (I&E Surplus/Deficit £)



9. WINTER PLANNING UPDATE

Ramona Duguid, Chief Operating Officer

REFERENCES

Only PDFs are attached

9. Winter Planning Response for BoD - Oct 23.pdf



Name of meeting	Board of Directors
Date of Meeting	Wednesday 4 th of October
Title of report	Winter Planning Preparedness
Executive Lead	Ramona Duguid, Chief Operating Officer
Report authors	Stewart Gee - Director of Safety Security, Resilience and Trust
	Innovation

Purpose of the report					
To note	\checkmark				
For assurance					
For discussion					
For decision					

Strategic ambitions this paper supports (please check the appropriate box)				
1. Quality care, every day	\checkmark			
2. Person-led care, when and where it is needed	~			
3. A great place to work				
4. Sustainable for the long term, innovating every day	~			
5. Working with and for our communities	~			

Meetings where this item has been considered		Management meetings where this item been considered	has
Quality and Performance		Executive Management Group	\checkmark
Audit		Business Delivery Group	\checkmark
Mental Health Legislation		Trust Safety Group	
Remuneration Committee		Locality Operational Management Group	
Resource and Business Assurance			
Charitable Funds Committee			
Provider Collaborative/Lead Provider			
People			
CEDAR Programme Board			
Other/external (please specify)			

Does the report impact on any of the following areas (please check the box and provide detail in the body of the report)

Equality, diversity and or disability	\checkmark	Reputational	\checkmark
Workforce	\checkmark	Environmental	 ✓
Financial/value for money	\checkmark	Estates and facilities	 ✓
Commercial	\checkmark	Compliance/Regulatory	\checkmark
Quality, safety and experience	 ✓ 	Service user, carer and stakeholder	\checkmark
		involvement	

Winter Preparedness Report

Board of Directors October 2023

1. Introduction

At the end of July, we received the guidance from NHS England setting out the national approach to 2023/24 winter planning, and the key steps we must take together across all parts of the system to meet the challenges ahead.

The guidance mainly focusses on supporting Acute Trusts setting out key steps to help achieve two key ambitions for Urgent and Emergency Care recovery of:

- 76% of patients being admitted, transferred, or discharged within four hours by March 2024, with further improvement in 2024/25.
- Ambulance response times for Category 2 incidents to 30 minutes on average over2023/24, with further improvement in 2024/25.

To help achieve these ambitions, NHS England will ensure that systems have clarity over finances well before winter to allow them to plan effectively and further roll-out the measures that will improve services for patients. NHS England have invested extensively in this, including:

- £1 billion of dedicated funding to support capacity in urgent and emergency services, building on the £500 million used last winter.
- £250 million worth of capital investment to deliver additional capacity.
- £200 million for ambulance services to increase the number of ambulance hours on the road.
- Together with DHSC, an additional £1.6 billion of discharge funding over 2023/24 and 2024/25, building on the £500 million Adult Social Care Discharge Fund.

2. Planning for Winter

NHS England are clear that the challenges are not just in ambulance services or emergency departments, and recovery requires all types of providers to work together to provide joined-up care for patients. Integrated Care Boards (ICBs) will play a vital role in system leadership but the actions we take need to extend across the wider health and care system including mental health services, services for children and young people, community health services, primary care and the voluntary, community and social enterprise (VCSE) sector.

They set out **four** areas of focus for systems to help prepare for winter:

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a) Continue to deliver on the UEC Recovery Plan by ensuring high-impact interventions are in place

Together with systems, providers, and clinical and operational experts we have identified **10 evidence-based high-impact interventions (see appendix A)**. These are focused around reducing waiting times for patients and crowding in A&E departments, improving flow and reducing length of stay in hospital settings. Delivering on these will be key to improving resilience in winter.

b) Completing operational and surge planning

NHS England have already carried out a detailed operational planning round for 2023/24 but are now asking each system to review their operational plans, including whether the assumptions regarding demand and capacity remain accurate. Although this will cover surge planning for the whole winter, specific plans should be made for the Christmas/New Year/early-January period which is often the most challenging time of the entire year.

In addition to this, and recognising the importance of planning for multiple scenarios, all systems are being asked to identify how they will mobilise additional capacity across all parts of the NHS should it be required to respond to peaks in demand driven by external factors e.g., very high rates of influenza or COVID-19, potential further industrial action.

c) ICBs should ensure effective system working across all parts of the system

ICBs will play a vital role in system leadership and co-ordination but it is important that all parts of the system play their role. To help systems and providers plan, a set of recommended winter roles and responsibilities have been developed to ensure clarity on what actions should be undertaken by each part of the system. These will require broad clinical leadership to implement, and systems should be using these to develop their winter planning return, reflecting how these relate to the circumstances within their individual system.

DHSC is also writing to local authorities and the adult social care sector shortly to set out priority actions for improving winter resilience and encouraging cross-system working with the NHS on winter planning.

d) Supporting our workforce

It is crucial that employers ensure that they take steps to protect and improve the wellbeing of the workforce. Last winter, flu returned at scale. It is vitally important that the public and the health and care workforce are protected against flu and other infectious diseases, and the best way of doing this is to ensure they are vaccinated. Providers should also ensure that they have an established pathway for identifying patients at-risk of COVID-19 and flu in their care, including those who are immunosuppressed.

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In addition to the 4 areas of focus listed above we are also prioritising resource to plan for and support the organisation and service delivery during Industrial action involving both Consultant and Junior Doctor staff.

3. Responsibilities for CNTW

NHS England sets out below the expectations on Mental Health Trusts.

To Lead and support the delivery of high-impact interventions **3**, **4** and **9** across mental health provider pathways:

3	Inpatient flow and length of stay (acute): reducing variation in inpatient care (including mental health) and length of stay for key iUEC pathways/conditions/cohorts by implementing in-hospital efficiencies and bringing forward discharge processes for pathway 0 patients.
4	Community bed productivity and flow: reducing variation in inpatient care and length of stay, including mental health, by implementing in-hospital efficiencies and bringing forward discharge processes.
9	Single point of access: driving standardisation of urgent integrated care coordination which will facilitate whole system management of patients into the right care setting, with the right clinician or team, at the right time. This should include mental health crisis pathways and alternatives to admission, eg home treatment

- Ensure plans are in place so that individuals know how to access mental health services with access to effective assessment and help in a timely manner and that crisis alternatives are in place to help reduce reliance on A&E (recognising that A&E is still an appropriate way of seeking help and people presenting with mental health issues also may have urgent physical health care needs). This should include making reasonable adjustments to pathways and therapeutic interventions for people with a learning disability and autistic people who seek mental health support.
- Where individuals do seek help for mental health issues via A&E, ensure processes are in place for assessment and onward support, including adjustments to meet the needs of autistic people and people with a learning disability. Ensure there are clear escalation processes for A&E where there is considerable delay in receiving specialist support.
- Mental health, learning disability and autism services should ensure maximum uptake of vaccinations for their populations, both inpatient and community. This is vital given the high incidence of COPD and other co-existing long-term conditions such as diabetes which can compromise response to flu and Covid-19.
- Ensure tools are in place to understand demand, activity, workforce and capacity in mental health provider pathways. This should be shared across the system to give a comprehensive view of mental health pressures and where support may be required that could alleviate pressure on both mental health and UEC pathways.

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- Ensure access to emergency housing funds to enable discharge of patients with no fixed abode (NFA) to ensure that they can be supported with follow up crisis / community care and support.
- Lead delivery of actions from the NHS Long Term Plan and Delivery Plan for Recovering Urgent and Emergency Care Services that support winter pressures, particularly:
- Strengthen ambulance response to mental health by deploying multidisciplinary professionals to support 999 mental health demand and preparing for the rollout of mental health response vehicles.
- Optimising flow through mental health inpatient settings through system-wide focus on reducing delayed discharges and avoidably long length of stay in mental health inpatient settings. Work collaboratively with social care and other system partners who play a key role in timely discharge.
- Continuing to raise profile of all-age 24/7 urgent mental health helplines and other complementary crisis support services – including those for people with a learning disability and autistic people, such as intensive support teams, ensuring delivery of NHS 111 'select mental health option' and working towards crisis text line implementation.
- Supporting children and young people with mental health needs in acute paediatric settings by adopting the new integration framework for systems to support children and young people with mental health needs within acute paediatric settings, and to take up NHS England (Workforce, Training and Education directorate) commissioned CYP crisis telephone training to support crisis mental healthcare staff. Maximise the uptake of training on learning disability and autism appropriate to their role, to ensure preparedness to be able to meet the needs of autistic people and people with a learning disability.

4. Next Steps

As part of the normal working arrangements, work is taking place across localities to review the plans in place to deliver the system priorities, this includes the standard operating procedures we implement in relation to business continuity. This will include the ongoing arrangements in relation to Industrial Action. The Trust will engage with the ICB on the local plans being developed in the context of available winter funding.

5. Recommendations

The Board of Directors are asked to NOTE that arrangements are in place to respond to the national priorities for winter planning, in addition to the ongoing arrangements which will be required this winter to respond to Industrial Action requirements.

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Appendix A:

10 High-Impact Interventions

- Same Day Emergency Care: reducing variation in SDEC provision by providing guidance about operating a variety of SDEC services for at least 12 hours per day, 7 days per week.
- 2. Frailty: reducing variation in acute frailty service provision. Improving recognition of cases that could benefit from specific frailty services and ensuring referrals to avoid admission.
- **3. Inpatient flow and length of stay (acute)**: reducing variation in inpatient care (including mental health) and length of stay for key iUEC pathways/conditions/cohorts by implementing in-hospital efficiencies and bringing forward discharge processes for pathway 0 patients.
- **4. Community bed productivity and flow**: reducing variation in inpatient care and length of stay, including mental health, by implementing in-hospital efficiencies and bringing forward discharge processes.
- 5. **Care transfer hubs**: implementing a standard operating procedure and minimum standards for care transfer hubs to reduce variation and maximise access to community rehabilitation and prevent re-admission to a hospital bed.
- 6. Intermediate care demand and capacity: supporting the operationalisation of ongoing demand and capacity planning, including through improved use of data to improve access to and quality of intermediate care including community rehab.
- **7. Virtual wards**: standardising and improving care across all virtual ward services to improve the level of care to prevent admission to hospital and help with discharge.
- 8. Urgent Community Response: increasing volume and consistency of referrals to improve patient care and ease pressure on ambulance services and avoid admission.
- **9. Single point of access**: driving standardisation of urgent integrated care co-ordination which will facilitate whole system management of patients into the right care setting, with the right clinician or team, at the right time. This should include mental health crisis pathways and alternatives to admission, e.g., home treatment
- **10. Acute Respiratory Infection Hubs**: support consistent roll out of services, prioritising acute respiratory infection, to provide same day urgent assessment with the benefit of releasing capacity in ED and general practice to support system pressures.

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10. WORKFORCE ISSUES - NO ISSUES TO REPORT FOR THIS PERIOD

11. REGULATORY / COMPLIANCE ISSUES - NO ISSUES TO REPORT FOR

THIS PERIOD.

12. INTEGRATED CARE SYSTEM / INTEGRATED CARE BOARD UPDATE

Lames Duncan, Chief Executive

verbal update

13. FINANCE REPORT

💄 Kevin Scollay, Executive Director of Finance

REFERENCES

Only PDFs are attached

13. Mth 5 Finance Board - Closed.pdf

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Name of meeting	Board of Directors Meeting	NHS Foundation Trust
Date of Meeting	Wednesday 4 th October 2023	
Title of report	Month 5 Finance Report	
Executive Lead	Kevin Scollay, Executive Director of Finance	
Report author	As Above	

Purpose of the report					
To note	X				
For assurance					
For discussion					
For decision					

Strategic ambitions this paper supports (please check the appropriate box)

- 1. Quality care, every day
- 2. Person-led care, when and where it is needed

3. A great place to work

- 4. Sustainable for the long term, innovating every day
- 5. Working with and for our communities

Meetings where this item has been considered	Management meetings where this item been considered	has
Quality and Performance	Executive Team	х
Audit	Business Delivery Group	х
Mental Health Legislation	Trust Safety Group	
Remuneration Committee	Locality Operational Management Group	
Resource and Business Assurance	Executive Management Group	х
Charitable Funds Committee		
Provider Collaborative/Lead Provider		
People		
Provider Collaborative		
CEDAR Programme Board		
Other/external (please specify)		

Does the report impact on any of the following areas (please check the box and provide detail in the body of the report)

Equality, diversity and or disability		Reputational	
Workforce		Environmental	
Financial/value for money	x	Estates and facilities	
Commercial		Compliance/Regulatory	Х
Quality, safety and experience		Service user, carer and stakeholder	
		involvement	

Board Assurance Framework/Corporate Risk Register risks this paper relates to

1687 – Managing resources effectively, 1762 – Restrictions in capital expenditure

Board of Directors Meeting

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Month 5 Finance Report

1. Executive Summary

- 1.1 **The Trust has generated a £10.9m deficit year to date**. No non recurrent flexibilities are included in this position. Neither is any benefit from anticipated land sales.
- 1.2 This deficit is **£0.1m better than the financial plan submitted to NHSE at Month 5**. This plan is phased to deliver deficits in the first 6 months of the year and surpluses for the second half of the year. Monthly financial targets became more challenging in Month 4. This tightening of targets is the key reason for the worsening of the financial position the monthly run rate remains broadly unchanged. Internal budgets are phased more ambitiously and assumes delivery more evenly through the year. The run rate is expected to improve next month as benefits from non-recurrent items are planned to be recognised.
- 1.3 Agency costs are higher than both the agency ceiling and planned levels. At the end of Month 5 the Trust has spent £7.7m on agency staff against a plan £7m and the against the Trusts nationally applied agency ceiling of £6m.
- 1.4 **Expenditure on the Trust capital programme is £1.4m lower than planned** at Month 5, which is a reduced underspend in month. The Trust is forecasting to deliver against plan for the year. This position remains under review.
- 1.5 **The Trust has a cash balance of £38.6m** at the end of Month 5 which remains ahead of plan, broadly unchanged from last month.

2. Key Financial Targets

2.1 Table 1 highlights the key financial metrics for Month 5.

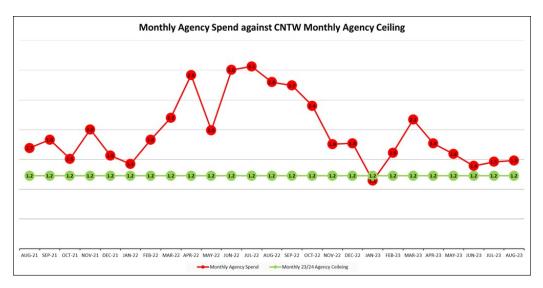
	Month 4						
Key Financial Targets	Trust Plan	Actual	Variance/ Rating				
I&E – Surplus /(Deficit) (Internal)	(£10.8m)	(£10.9m)	£0.1m				
Agency Spend	£7.0m	£7.7m	£0.7m				
Cash	£16.6m	£38.6m	£21.1m				
Capital Spend	£5.9m	£4.5m	£1.4m				

Table 1

3. Financial Performance

Income and Expenditure

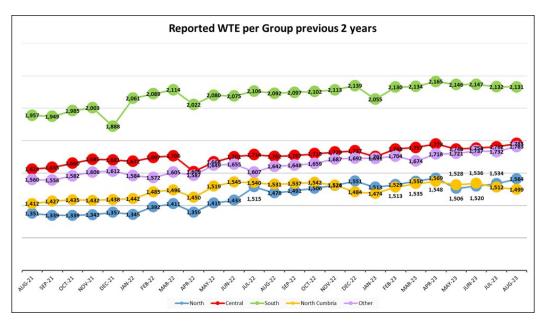
- 3.1 At the end of Month 5 the Trust has reported a £10.9m deficit on Income and Expenditure, which is ahead of the plan submitted to NHSE by £0.1m. The Trust continues to forecast a breakeven position. Savings plans (£28.1m) are heavily phased into Quarters 3 and 4 which are expected to be delivered through a combination of recurrent and non-recurrent measures. Some of these measures are also noncash releasing in nature and consequently cash levels are expected to fall even based on delivery of the plan.
- 3.2 The Trust has a more ambitiously phased internal plan for CIP delivery and is currently managing to this trajectory internally.
- 3.3 Graph 1 below highlights the agency performance from August 2021. Costs in August stand at £1.5m, with monthly costs similar to those reported in July. Costs remain above the Trust budget year to date. Agency costs are higher than the 3.7% agency cap of c£1.2m.



Graph 1

- 3.4 Agency costs have been a focus for the Trust in managing its overall financial position for a number of reasons. These inlcude:
 - Quality implications of having high numbers of temporary staffing working within our services.
 - The premium attached to agency staffing, which increases costs when compared with permanent staffing.
 - The temporary nature of agency staffing is 'cost agile' which means it can be reduced quickly without secondary cost implications or lengthy management processes to reduce headcount.
- 3.5 It is worth noting, however, that the largest driver of overall Trust costs is the total usage of staffing resource swapping temporary staffing for permanent staffing has a marginal impact on cost, but changing WTE numbers has a much larger impact.
- 3.6 This can be expressed in cost, but also in overall WTEs. Graph 2 shows the trend in reported WTE over the last two years by Group, which shows some areas of improvement. North Cumbria and South are both shpwing reductions, whilst North, Central and Other categories continue to grow.





3.7 The Trust is showing good progress in swapping agency staffing for substantive and bank staff. Agency remains down on the year end and the prior 12 month positions with Bank and Substantive staffing continuing to show growth. This should improve cost effectiveness and support improving quality in the organisation. However, WTEs continue to rise, which increases overall pressure on the finanical position.

Table 3

	WTE Aug	WTE Aug	Mar-23	Jul-23	Aug-23	Move	Move	Move	Move
	21	22				previous	from year	from 12	from 24
						Mth	End	Mths	Mths
Subatantive	7,193	7,646	7,992	8,113	8,146	33	154	501	954
Bank	320	259	256	267	286	20	31	27	(34)
Agency	390	539	402	292	295	3	(107)	(243)	(95)
	7,903	8,443	8,650	8,672	8,728	56	78	285	824

3.8 Table 4 shows the change in WTEs from last month by Group. WTEs in the North reflect increased staffing resource required on Embelton, Warkworth and Alnmouth. Central increases predominantly relate to community recruitment. Clinical Support areas show an overall increase of 19, which mainly releates to a large increase in Junior Doctor recharges following the August rotation. Coprorate areas show a small decrease of 6 in month.

Table 4

	Jul-23	Aug-23	Movement
NORTH	1,534	1,564	30
CENTRAL	1,762	1,783	21
SOUTH	2,132	2,131	(1)
N. CUMBRIA	1,512	1,499	(13)
	6,940	6,977	37

CLINICAL SUPPORT	380	406	27
SUPPORT & CORPORATE	1,225	1,219	(6)
OTHER (INC AUDIT, PROV COLLAB, R&D)	126	125	(1)
	1,731	1,751	19
	8,672	8,728	56

4. Cash

Table 5

	Year To Date			
	Plan (£m)	Actual (£m)	Variance/ Rating (£m)	
Cash	16.6	38.6	(22.0)	

- 4.1 Cash balances at the end of August were £22m higher than plan, but have reduced in Month 5.
- 4.2 The Trust received £15m in Public Dividened Capital (PDC) funding to support the CEDAR programme in 2023/24, which was not included in the Trust financial planning for 2023/24.
- 4.3 Underspending on the capital plan year to date is also supporting better than expected cash balances.
- 4.4 The 2023/24 financial plan includes non-cash transactions to support delivering financial break-even, this means that cash levels are expected to fall over the year, depsite forecasting a breakeven position.

5. Capital & Asset Sales

Table 6

	Year To Date		Year End			
	Plan (£m)	Actual (£m)	Variance/ Rating (£m)	Plan (£m)	Forecast (£m)	Variance/ Rating (£m)
Capital Spend	5.9	4.5	(1.4)	20.8	20.8	0.0
Asset Sales	0.0	0.0	(0.0)	6.8	6.8	0.0

- 5.1 The Trust Capital spend at the end of Month 5 is £4.5m which is £1.4m less than the plan. The Trust is forecasting to deliver the capital programme at the end of the financial year but has this position under review.
- 5.2 The Trust capital programme includes an assumption of additional PDC funding for the CEDAR programme. This has been part of ongoing discussions with the New Hospitals Programme. The Trust has provided a revised Business Case in-line with expectations and timescales outlined by the New Hospitals

Programme (NHP). This is currently under consideration by NHP. The Board will receive separate and more detailed updates on this separately from this report.

5.3 The Trust has planned asset sales £6.8m in 2023/24. The sale of land at St Georges Park and Sale of land at Northgate are in the process of being agreed. The Board will receive a separate update on the sale of the Northgate site separately. The income and expenditure position includes an assumption around recognising benefits from these land sales.

6. Recommendations

6.1 The Board is asked to note the content of this report.

14. CNTW CULTURAL CELEBRATION EVENT

presentation

REFERENCES

Only PDFs are attached

14. CNTW Cultural Celebration Events - Presentation for Board 04.10.23.pptx

15. QUALITY AND PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE

💄 Darren Best, Chair

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16. AUDIT COMMITTEE

💄 David Arthur, Chair

17. RESOURCE AND BUSINESS ASSURANCE COMMITTEE

💄 Paula Breen, Chair

18. MENTAL HEALTH LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

💄 Michael Robinson, Chair

19. PROVIDER COLLABORATIVE COMMITTEE



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20. PEOPLE COMMITTEE

💄 Brendan Hill, Chair

21. CHARITABLE FUNDS COMMITTEE

💄 Louise Nelson, Chair

22. COUNCIL OF GOVERNORS' ISSUES

💄 Darren Best, Chairman

23. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

💄 Darren Best, Chairman

24. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

💄 Darren Best, Chairman

25. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

Wednesday 1st November 2023 1:30 - 3:30pm Trust Board Room, St Nicholas Hospital and Microsoft Teams