

QUALITY AND SAFETY COMMITTEE	
Date of meeting:	30 th August 2019
Attendees:	Harjinder Kang (Chair), Dr Kate Thomas, Dr David Carruthers, Paula Gardner, Rachel Barlow, Dave Baker and Dr Parmjit Marok
Apologies:	Richard Samuda
Key points of discussion relevant to the Board:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SBAF: the effectiveness of the controls and assurance for the quality risks were considered and confidence levels rated by the Committee re-visited and confirmed as the same. • Results acknowledgement - Starting to see progress in acknowledgement of reports from 01/04/2019 as well as red flag results from 2018 onwards. Redflags in medicine group have reduced by 38% for that time period and surgery by 23% with good work in some specialties, less so in others. 20% reduction in unacknowledged redflag reports across all groups. Non redflag reports show less movement except in surgery where there is a 23% reduction in unacknowledged reports. This is a definite improvement and work will continue. Important for clinical staff to have this as routine practice for management of results in Unity. • Maternity review: The findings of the external review into 5 maternal deaths were discussed and the conclusions reached. The professional challenges made against the reviewers' recommendations were explored. The notable practice was commended.
Positive highlights of note:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The support provided to maternity staff and duty of candour to patients' relatives involved in the maternal deaths.
Matters of concern or key risks to escalate to the Board:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None
Matters presented for information or noting:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A paper on the scope of audits to provide assurance on safety in the EDs was presented. • Integrated Quality and Performance Report: July
Decisions made:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maternity review: improvements planned before the end of the financial year approved.
Actions agreed:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ED safety audits: findings and learning to be shared with the Committee • Maternity review: future progress report on delivering the actions

Harjinder Kang

Chair of the Quality and Safety Committee

For the meeting of the Trust Board scheduled for 5th September 2019