

QUALITY AND SAFETY COMMITTEE	
Date of meeting:	30 th April 2021
Attendees:	Harjinder Kang (Chair), Richard Samuda, Kate Thomas, Lesley Writtle, Liam Kennedy, Melanie Roberts, David Carruthers, Parmjit Marok, Kam Dhami and Helen Hurst. <i>In attendance:</i> Richard Beeken, Dave Baker, Chizo Agwu, and Susan Rudd
Apologies:	None
Key points of discussion relevant to the Board:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gold update on COVID-19: the community rate of infection is significantly reduced and remained stable for a couple of weeks. Inpatients have fallen with 14 at the time of writing. Ward D17 at City Hospital is the one remaining 'red' area. Over 70% of staff have been vaccinated and this number is likely to increase as records are reconciled. • HSMR: The Trust continues to have a significantly high mortality rate, indicating more deaths than should be expected (146 above the tolerance levels at the end of November 2020). Two strategies are being deployed to improve the HSMR – (1) a focus on clinical care and (2) improving coding and documentation. An additional dedicated resource is being appointed to focus on the latter for 6 months. • CQC Inspection Preparedness: the assurance programme of work continues and includes, ward self-assessments, re-commencement of in-house inspections, staff engagement and data interrogation. Additional information is to be made available to Board members to evidence improvements made and the focus required to achieve a 'good' rating.
Positive highlights of note:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Following the appropriate risk assessments, visiting on inpatient maternity units, accompanying women to their appointments and fathers or partners being present at birth reintroduced from 12th April. • Maternity data highlights: decision to delivery internal grade 1 C-section; national neonatal KPI data, major PPH rate.
Matters of concern or key risks to escalate to the Board:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A significantly high HSMR
Matters presented for information or noting:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IQPR, learning from deaths dashboard; planned care and recovery report; 2021/20 clinical audit forward plan, Q4 complaints report and results endorsement.

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Decisions made:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Investment in Maternity Workforce and Training Proposal: approved for onward submission to the LMNS
Actions agreed:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Planned responses to maternity escalations to be included in the report.

Harjinder Kang, Non-Executive Director
Chair of the Quality and Safety Committee

For the meeting of the Trust Board scheduled for 6th May 2021