

QUALITY AND SAFETY COMMITTEE SUMMARY NOTE	
Date of meeting:	24 th September 2021
Attendees:	Harjinder Kang (Chair), Kate Thomas, Lesley Writtle, David Carruthers, Kam Dhami, Melanie Roberts In attendance: Parmjit Marok, Helen Hurst, Chizo Agwu, Jo Newens, Matthew Maguire, Megan Offer
Apologies:	Liam Kennedy, David Baker
Key points of discussion relevant to the Board:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Safeguarding The reporting structure up to Board has been strengthened and a new Safeguarding Board being established from October 2021. There is a need for the Trust to harmonise policies and practices across all areas of the organisation (including primary care) and have appropriate representation across the Birmingham external boards in comparison to Sandwell. • weAssure programme update All wards and clinical teams internal unannounced inspections continue across the Trust. Clinical teams' self-assessment findings will be shortly tested for progress and the Evidence Vault will be available on Connect for all staff to view. A number of wards remain outstanding and triangulation of the data and feedback needs to be established. The CN and MD will sign-off all ward / clinical areas self-ratings • Nutrition and Hydration Report A benchmarking exercise against the Independent Hospital Food review checklist has identified that SWBH is compliant with 18/24 domains. The six non-compliant domains include Trust food and drink strategy and action plan, phasing in of attractive ceramic crockery, communal dining areas, nutritious snacks available outside of meal times, food safety training at all levels inclusive of doctors, ward staff and volunteers, fostering links with the community to repurpose surplus food safely. There are 10 clinical risks associated with the Dietetics service following review of demand and capacity and a subsequent business case is pending approval.
Positive highlights of note:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None
Matters of concern or key risks to escalate to the Board:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None
Matters presented for	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maternity Dashboard and Neonatal Report – Perinatal

information or noting:	<p>mortality for 2020-21 remains higher than 2018-2019 – overall numbers remain static while numbers of births are reduced</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mortality Dashboard – 95% of case notes of deceased scrutinised by Medical Examiners of which 17% referred for Structured Judgement Review. None discussed was judged as avoidable. • COVID 19 position – We still have one of the highest proportion of Covid inpatients of any Trust in the Midlands region with around 10% of overall beds occupied by Covid positive patients. This has reduced slowly from 13% last month • Planned care and recovery plan – We are seeing good levels of activity delivered across many specialities but further work is needed to ensure financial value plans are met.
Decisions made:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None
Actions agreed:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See the action tracker

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

For the meeting of the Trust Board scheduled for 7th October 2021