

Board of Directors Meeting - Cover Sheet

Subject:	Infection Prevention and Control Board Assurance Framework		Date: 01/06/2022	
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Purpose				
To update the Board on our compliance with NHS England/Improvements Infection Prevention and Control Board Assurance Framework			Approval	
			Assurance	X
			Update	X
			Consider	
Strategic Objectives				
To provide outstanding care	To promote and support health and wellbeing	To maximise the potential of our workforce	To continuously learn and improve	To achieve better value
x			x	
Overall Level of Assurance				
	Significant	Sufficient	Limited	None
		x		
Risks/Issues				
Financial				
Patient Impact	X			
Staff Impact	X			
Services	X			
Reputational	x			
Committees/groups where this item has been presented before				
Patient Safety Committee				
Executive Summary				
<p>The Infection Prevention and Control (IPC) Board Assurance Framework was first received in May 2020 in response to the significant infection control measures required to meet the demands of Covid-19. It was update in December 2021 and is currently under review again.</p> <p>The United Kingdom Health Security Agency (UKHSA) and other related agency guidance on the required infection prevention and control measures has been published, updated and refined to reflect the opportunities to identify good practice and learning. This continuous process will ensure organisations can respond in an evidence-based way to maintain the safety of patients, service users and staff.</p> <p>The IPC BAF work has been developed to help providers assess themselves against the guidance as a source of internal assurance that quality standards are being maintained. It will also help them identify any areas of risk and show the corrective actions taken in response. The work to provide the assurance within this document is continuing and all aspects will be continually monitored.</p> <p>Following the update there are now 122 key lines of enquiry (KLoE); 80 of these are new and 42 remain from the previous document. The Trust can evidence its compliance with 120 KLoE. The two outstanding KLoE relate to ventilation and require more evidence. We are working closely with our Estates team to obtain this evidence.</p>				