

Board of Directors Meeting in Public - Cover Sheet

Subject:	Safer Staffing	August 2017		
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Purpose				
To provide assurance to the Board of Directors.			Decision	
			Approval	
			Assurance	✓
Strategic Objectives				
To provide outstanding care to our patients	To support each other to do a great job	To inspire excellence	To get the most from our resources	To play a leading role in transforming health and care services
✓	✓	✓	✓	
Overall Level of Assurance				
	Significant	Sufficient	Limited	None
	✓			
Risks/Issues				
Financial	✓			
Patient Impact	✓			
Staff Impact	✓			
Services	✓			
Reputational	✓			
Committees/groups where this item has been presented before				
The report is presented to the Board of Directors only.				
Executive Summary				
<p>In line with national guidance the Board of Directors receive a monthly and a six monthly nurse and midwifery staffing report. August's report contains information to meet the monthly requirements and:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provides a summary of the planned and actual staffing levels across all in-patients wards • Includes exception reporting where the actual nurse staffing levels have either failed to achieve or have exceeded agreed local staffing thresholds • Identifies a number of predetermined patient outcome measures in order. • Includes a summary of the Nurse Sensitive Indicators and vacancy levels by ward • Highlights actions taken to match safe staffing levels against patient acuity and dependency. <p>The staffing information relates to data collected for July 2017 and forms part of the monthly published staffing data published on NHS choices and the trusts website.</p> <p>The Board of Directors are asked to receive this report and note the actions taken and plans in place to provide safe nurse staffing levels across the Trust.</p>				