

Scrutiny Board (Health)
Work Programme 2009/10

Item	Description	Notes	Type of item
Meeting date – 16 March 2010			
The local health economy	To receive a verbal report on the main issues facing the local health economy and the associated priorities.	Chief Executive of NHS Leeds to attend and present	B
Quarterly Accountability Report	To receive the joint Leeds City Council and NHS Leeds performance report for quarter 3 (2009/2010).	Previous performance report considered in September 2009	PM
Provision of dermatology services	To consider further progress in developing future plans for delivery of the service.	Previously considered in November 2009.	DP
Renal services in Leeds	To consider the responses to the Scrutiny Board's statement and specific recommendations.	Statement published – December 2009.	MSR

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Meeting date – 27 April 2010			
Quality Accounts	To consider draft quality account submissions	Added to work programme in January 2010. Scheduled in February 2010	PM
Foundation Trust Status	To consider the outcome of the recent consultation exercise, including the key messages and any emerging issues.	To include the 'next steps' and anticipated costs associated with administering any new arrangements. Added to work programme in January 2010. Scheduled in February 2010.	DP
Scrutiny Inquiry – promoting good public health	To agree the Board's final inquiry report.	Timing to be confirmed	RP
Recommendation Tracking	To monitor progress against the recommendations agreed following previous Scrutiny Board inquiries.		MSR
Annual Report	To agree the Board's contribution to the annual scrutiny report		

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Working Groups			
Working group	Membership	Progress update	Dates
Health Proposals Working Group	<i>All Scrutiny Board members. Core membership of Cllr. Dobson and Cllr. Chapman</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Working group re-established and terms of reference agreed. • Membership established • First meeting held on 3 December 2009 	<i>3 December 2009</i>
Supporting working age adults with severe and enduring mental health problems		<p>This inquiry is being undertaken by the Scrutiny Board (Adult Social Care) with nominated representatives from Scrutiny Board (Health)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Working group re-established and terms of reference agreed. • Membership established • Initial meeting dates arranged 	<i>19 October 2009 15 December 2009</i>
Scrutiny Inquiry – promoting good public health	<i>All Scrutiny Board members</i>	Proposed working group to further consider alcohol related harm associated with the inquiry and identified by the Scrutiny Board.	<i>19 March 2010 (TBC)</i>

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Use of 0844 Numbers at GP Surgeries	To consider the impact of the recent Government guidance on local GP practices and any implications for patients.	Various correspondence exchanged and clarification sought. The Board to maintain a watching brief and kept up-to-date with any developments
Openness in the NHS	To consider how the Department of Health guidance is interpreted and implemented locally.	An outline of the approach adopted by the local NHS Trusts requested. Responses from NHS Leeds and LPFT received. Reply from LTHT awaited.
Children's Cardiac Surgery Services	To contribute to the national review and consider any local implications.	First newsletter published (August 2009) National stakeholder event held 22 October 2009. Draft clinical standards issued for consultation. Clarification sought on local involvement and engagement activity. Local involvement likely to be after March 2010.

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Children's Neurosurgery Services	To contribute to the national review and consider any local implications.	First bulletin published (September 2009) National stakeholder event held 30 November 2009. Clarification sought on local involvement and engagement activity. Local involvement likely to be after March 2010.
Narrowing the Gap	To consider the impact of the 'Narrowing the Gap' initiative, in terms of improving healthy outcomes.	Added to the work programme: December 2009
Primary Care Service Development and use of the Capital Estate	In the light of NHS Leeds' decisions to withdraw from projects in Kirkstall and Holt Park, to consider the PCT's longer-term strategy for developing services through its capital estate.	Added to the work programme: December 2009
Health Scrutiny – Department of Health Guidance	To receive and consider revised guidance associated with health scrutiny and any implications for local practice.	Guidance was due to be published in November 2009. Confirmation from the DoH that this will be delayed until after the general election. No firm publication dates are yet available.

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Specialised commissioning arrangements	To consider the current arrangements for specialised commissioning within the region and the role of scrutiny.	The planned Department of Health (DoH) consultation on developing / strengthening Health Scrutiny may have an impact.
Hospital Discharges	To consider a follow up report on progress against the recommendations (i.e. 15, 16 and 17) detailed in the Independence, Wellbeing and Choice inspection report	Consider report at a future meeting.
Out of Area Treatments (Mental Health)	To consider the report prepared by Leeds Hospital Alert and the response from LPFT.	Leeds Hospital Alert report received 1 July 2009. Responses received from LPFT in July 2009.

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