

Report of Head of Scrutiny and Member Development

Report to Scrutiny Board (Health and Well-Being and Adult Social Care)

Date: 16 May 2012

Subject: Quality Accounts for 2012

Are specific electoral Wards affected? If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s):	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
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Summary of main issues

1. The purpose of this report is to update the Board on the production of local healthcare providers' Quality Accounts for 2012 and to provide the Board the opportunity to comment of Leeds and York Partnership NHS Foundation Trust's draft Quality Account.

Background

2. Quality Accounts were mandated by the Department of Health in 2010 for all providers of NHS care. Quality Accounts are annual public reports about the quality of services provided, and must be published by the end of June each year.
3. Quality Accounts should provide a summary of quality performance for the previous year and enable patients and the public to understand:
 - What the organisation is doing well
 - What improvements in service quality are required
 - What the priorities for improvement are for the forthcoming year
 - How the provider has involved service users, staff and others with an interest in the organisation in determining the priorities for improvement.
4. The publication process requires that providers seek comment on the account from commissioners, Local Involvement Networks (LINKs) and Overview and Scrutiny Committees (OSCs). Any statement provided by commissioners, LINKs or OSCs may be up to 1000 words in length and must be included as part of the published Quality

Account. Commissioners, LINKs and OSCs must have 30 calendar days to provide any comment, however it is important to note that there is no obligation for OSCs or LINKs to provide a response or comment.

5. The NHS funded Health Care providers based in Leeds that are required to produce a Quality Account for 2012 include:
 - Leeds Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust
 - Leeds and York Partnerships NHS Foundation Trust
 - Leeds Community Healthcare NHS Trust
6. There are other local healthcare providers required to produce Quality Accounts for 2012, however in previous years, the Council's Scrutiny Board (Health) felt it only necessary to comment on the Quality Accounts produced by the larger local healthcare providers – detailed above. However, it should also be noted that Yorkshire Ambulance Service NHS Trust must produce a Quality Account for 2012 (as in previous years).
7. The timescales for commenting on the various Quality Accounts are set out below:
 - Leeds and York Partnerships NHS Foundation Trust – 7 May 2012 (draft received 18 April 2012)
 - Yorkshire Ambulance Service NHS Trust – 11 May 2012 (updated draft received 17 April 2012)
 - Leeds Community Healthcare NHS Trust – 24 May 2012 (draft received 18 April 2012)
 - Leeds Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust – 25 May 2012 (draft received 25 April 2012)
8. Members will be aware that the Scrutiny Board has had contact with a number of the local healthcare providers over a range of issues during 2011/12.
9. Appended to this report is the draft Quality Account (2012) produced by LYPFT. The Scrutiny Board is invited to identify any comments it may wish to include with the Quality Account (2012).

Recommendations

10. To note the content of this report.
11. To consider the attached draft Quality Account (2012) produced by Leeds and York Partnerships NHS Foundation Trust and agree any comments for inclusion in the final version.
12. Consider and agree the most appropriate way forward for providing comments on any other draft Quality Account 2012 produced by a local healthcare provider.

Background documents ¹

¹ The background documents listed in this section are available for inspection on request for a period of four years following the date of the relevant meeting. Accordingly this list does not include documents containing exempt or confidential information, or any published works. Requests to inspect any background documents should be submitted to the report author.

- Yorkshire Ambulance Service NHS Trust – draft Quality Account 2012
- Leeds Community Healthcare NHS Trust – draft Quality Account 2012
- Leeds Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust – draft Quality Account 2012