

Healthy Staffordshire Select Committee – 10 June 2019

University Hospital North Midlands

Recommendation/s

1. To consider the information provided and constructively challenge the Trusts performance.

Report of University Hospital North Midlands

Summary

What is the Scrutiny Committee being asked to do and why?

2. At the meeting of this Committee held on 3 December 2018, Members requested that the University Hospital North Midlands (UHNM) attend a future meeting to discuss the following:

- The current financial deficit and how this is being addressed,
- Any services changes being considered,
- Cancer target rates and the plans to improve performance.

3. Subsequent to this request, a small working group of members were established to consider the Trusts quality accounts. Whilst reviewing the document, additional information was requested on:

- The Impact the financial position is having on the quality and performance of the services provided.
- Staffing levels and retention – what is the current position and what work is taking place to address any issues.
- Death rates – The % of deaths with palliative care coded at either diagnosis and/or specialty level has increased by 4.3%. How many of these cases were on a discharge pathway and were delayed? Is this a reflection of the Trust admitting more palliative cases and if so why?
- Specific information on the 62 day Cancer target. Details of performance broken down by tumour sites.
- UHNM priorities - How alignment of priorities between UHNM and the STP is being addressed.

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