

<b>NHS Brent</b>  Title of Meeting : <b>Trust Board</b>  Date of meeting: <b>Thursday, 27<sup>th</sup> November 2008</b>	Agenda Item	<b>13</b>
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## Healthcare Commission Annual Health Check 2007-2008 Results and Action Plan

### **Purpose of the report**

To advise the Board of the published action plan produced in response to NHS Brent`s Annual Health check rating published in October 2008 by the Healthcare Commission, resulting in an assessment of weak for Quality of Services, & weak for Use of Resources

### **Executive Summary (to include outcome benefits)**

The assessment of 2007/2008 was against a then background of significant financial and governance failure, resulting in the deficit of £25 m in 2006/2007. In 2007/2008, the PCT focused on financial turnaround. There has also been a complete change of the Board during 2007/08, and in 2008/2009 the PCT is focussing on quality and performance, including a rebuild of reporting and performance management.

### **Core Standards**

The PCT did not meet 14 of the 44 core standards in 2007-2008, but is now on target to achieve compliance with all standards by 31<sup>st</sup> March 2009.

The action plan attached with this report describes in the detail the actions to achieve compliance, and has been published externally and internally.

### **Performance Indicators**

In 07/08 The Trust achieved 11 existing national targets (of 17) and 4 new national targets (of 13).

The current position is shown in the action plan with a number of areas still requiring sustained work.

### **Use of Resources**

In 2007-2008 the Trust scored 1 overall, with 4 out of 5 components scored at 1, (all except financial standing). An action plan to address the weaknesses has been in place since the commencement of the year and is reviewed monthly by EMT. The recent internal audit review has given assurance that the PCT is now operating at a higher level.

Notwithstanding the changes in criteria and methodology for 08/09, our current assessment is that we are on course to achieve the corporate objectives of a score of at least 2 in 08/09 which translates to 'fair' in the HCC rating.

### **Conclusion**

The overall rating on quality is arrived at by a scoring methodology which combines Core Standards Assessments (minimum of 35 standards met) with performance measures.

The current position is that we need to address some of the key performance issues to remain on target for a fair rating for quality of services, and an overall rating of fair/fair

**Decision required: The Board / Committee is asked to:**

Endorse the action plan & progress made and to note that further work is required to achieve fair/fair in 2008/09.

**Corporate Objectives and Board Assurance Framework:** *(Reference to how the organisation's objectives for year are supported by this paper) Please list BAF and Corporate Risk reference no.)*

Corporate Risk CO2005 ( Managing Risks)

Corporate Risk CO2006 ( Risk to achieving ALE scores)

Board Assurance Framework: CO1: Develop Brent as a High Performing & Responsive Organisation : ref 2 Core Standards C7a& 7C (Governance)

**Healthcare Commission Standards supported by this paper: (see list)**

Core Standards 1-24

**Equality and Diversity considerations and implications from which an Impact Assessment might be made:**

**Resource implications:** (Confirmation that any resource implications have been agreed with Finance)

**Risks Attached to this initiative (Reference to Corporate Risk Register as appropriate)** *(This could include legal or other statutory implications or drivers)*

Health Act 2006

Health & Safety at Work Act

Health & Social Care Act

**Patient & Public Engagement Input to and/or Impact of this initiative**

Plan is shared with statutory stakeholders including Health Oversight & Scrutiny Committee

**Communications Strategy:** *(How will this initiative be disseminated)*

The Core Standards Action Plan has been published on the internal & external website

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