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HEALTH AND ADULT SOCIAL CARE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PANEL

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Committee Members–

Councillor Ricketts, Chair
Councillor Coker, Vice Chair
Councillors Bowie, Delbridge, Gordon, Dr. Mahony, Mrs Nicholson, Dr. Salter and Viney

Co-opted Representatives;

Chris Boote, Local Involvement Network (LINK)
Margaret Schwarz, Plymouth Hospitals NHS Trust

Substitutes–:

Any Member other than a Member of the Cabinet may act as a substitute member provided that they do not have a personal and prejudicial interest in the matter under review.

Members are invited to attend the above meeting to consider the items of business overleaf.

Members and Officers are requested to sign the attendance list at the meeting.

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HEALTH AND ADULT SOCIAL CARE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PANEL

PART I (PUBLIC COMMITTEE)

AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES AND SUBSTITUTIONS

To receive apologies for non-attendance submitted by panel Members.

2. CHAIR'S URGENT BUSINESS

To receive reports on business which, in the opinion of the Chair, should be brought forward for urgent consideration.

3. NHS PLYMOUTH HOSPITALS TRUST - QUALITY ACCOUNTS

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To consider and comment on draft quality accounts.

4. NHS PLYMOUTH MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES - QUALITY ACCOUNTS

(Pages 31 - 56)

To consider and comment on draft quality accounts.

Plymouth Hospitals **NHS** NHS Trust



Quality Account 2009/2010

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Part 1: Introduction

Statement on Quality from the Chief Executive Officer

May I welcome you to the publication of our first Quality Account.

The Quality Account is predominantly for members of the public, patients and staff and aims to share with you our experience over the last 12 months as well as our plans for the forthcoming year.

An Introduction to Quality Accounts

The purpose of a Quality Account is threefold: firstly, as an important document that will enable the public to hold NHS Trusts to account for the quality of the NHS healthcare services they provide; secondly, to enable Trust Boards to focus on quality improvement as a core function; and finally, to assist patients and their carers to make fully informed choices about their healthcare.

Plymouth Hospitals NHS Trust welcomes the opportunity to publish an annual Quality Account that assists our patients, the public and others to understand:

- What the organisation has done well
- Where improvements in service quality are required
- What the Trust's priorities for improvement are over the coming year
- How patients, carers, staff and others with an interest in the organisation have been involved in determining these priorities

Our Vision and Values

Through extensive consultation with our staff we have developed a clear vision and a set of core values:

Vision	To be recognised as the best in everything we do, providing leading edge, high quality health services, safely delivered with courtesy and respect
Values	Put patients first Respect others Take ownership Be positive

Quality Priorities for 2009/2010

During the last year work has been underway to develop a set of meaningful quality metrics that will enhance the Trust's ability to measure the quality of care delivered to our patients. These metrics will complement existing national performance targets but will be focused on the quality of care delivered, particularly patients' outcomes and experiences.

Last year saw the development of the Commissioning for Quality and Innovation (CQUIN) framework. CQUINs are a new feature of quality monitoring and improvement. A CQUIN framework consists of a number of nationally and locally agreed quality priorities for the year ahead.

Quality Goals for 2010/2011

As an ambitious and well established acute trust we acknowledge that there are many areas of care that require continued improvement. The Trust Board, supported by our staff, are committed to ensuring that, year on year, improvements are made.

The NHS Next Stage Review: High Quality Care for All (2008) identified the need to measure quality of care within three core domains. These domains provide foundations from which quality measures can be developed and performance can subsequently be monitored:

- Patient Safety: that the NHS does no harm to patients, ensuring the environment is clean and safe and reducing avoidable harm
- Clinical Effectiveness: understanding success rates from different treatments for different conditions including clinical measures, complication rates and measures of clinical improvement
- Patient Experience: how personal the care is, the compassion, dignity and respect with which patients are treated

It is our aim for the forthcoming year to identify three strategic priorities within each of these key domains – you will find these in our plans for 2010/2011.

I hope that you will find this Quality Account informative.

The content of this Quality Account was approved by the Board of Directors on and to the best of our knowledge the information contained within is accurate.



Paul Roberts, Chief Executive

Part 2 – Plans for 2010/2011

Priorities for Quality Improvement

Strategic Context

The Trust's Quality Programme is at the heart of the Trust's Integrated Business Plan. The Trust recognises that high quality, safe care is the cornerstone of an efficient and productive organisation committed to providing patient centred care.

Partnership Approach to Quality

Healthcare is often provided to a single patient in many different settings by many organisations – there is a real opportunity to improve the interfaces between organisations in order to improve the patient's overall experience of healthcare. To that end, Plymouth Hospitals NHS Trust has developed a very close working relationship with our main PCT commissioners, NHS Plymouth. A programme of work is currently being finalised that will address many of the interfaces between organisations and will ultimately improve patient care.

Moving Quality Forward: How we have selected our Priorities for 2010/2011

Our quality priorities for the coming year were chosen with involvement from a number of key stakeholders in combination with a thorough analysis of a large number of internal and external data sources. These include:

- Core standards set by the Care Quality Commission
- Local and external audit reports
- Analysis of information from complaints and PALS
- Analysis of incident and risk data
- National Patient Safety Agency alerts
- National Institute for Clinical Excellence guidance
- Global Trigger Tool case note review
- Locally agreed CQUIN payment framework

In selecting our priorities for quality improvement for the forthcoming year, we have concentrated on areas which are both a priority and where the Trust's performance should be improved.

Summary of Quality Priorities

Patient Safety	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Early recognition, appropriate escalation and effective management of acutely ill patients 2. Appropriate Venous Thromboembolism risk assessment and prophylaxis 3. Improved prevention and management of all Healthcare Associated Infections
Clinical Effectiveness	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. Improved management of stroke patients 5. Improved venous access site infection rates 6. Improved compliance with the surgical site infections bundle and reduced numbers of associated infections
Patient Experience	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 7. Better engagement of patients in decisions about their care 8. Better provision of single sex accommodation for inpatients 9. Better information for patients at point of discharge

Priority 1: Early recognition, appropriate escalation and effective management of acutely ill patients	
Quality Domain:	Patient Safety
Background:	Serious Untoward Incidents, NICE Guidance and our work on the South West SHA Quality & Patient Safety Improvement Programme have all highlighted the need to have more robust systems in place to aid early recognition, appropriate escalation and effective management of acutely ill patients. In Plymouth we are currently introducing an Early Warning System (EWS) to support this key priority
Aims:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 30% Reduction in Cardiac Arrest Calls • EWS in place Trust-wide
Plans:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improve compliance with performance and recording of clinical observations • Design, test and implement observations chart incorporating Early Warning System (EWS) • Improve % of patients who have triggered on EWS and received an appropriate response • Implement work on Nurse Led Response to acutely unwell patients • Test efficacy of manual observations in improving quality of observations • Test implementation of Red Alert system for use Trust-wide
Monitoring & Reporting:	<p>Our progress for this priority will be monitored using the following metrics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of cardiac arrest calls each month • % Patient observations complete • % EWS trigger patients receiving appropriate response • % Wards using EWS observations chart
Related CQUIN:	Enhancing quality and responsiveness of services particularly in areas likely to support reductions in health inequalities
Leads:	<p>Dr Sam Waddy, Consultant in Acute Medicine & ICU</p> <p>Miss Louise Sturgess, Programme Manager SWSHA Quality & Patient Safety Improvement Programme</p>

Priority 2: Appropriate VTE risk assessment and prophylaxis	
Quality Domain:	Patient Safety
Background:	NICE Guidance and the SWSHA Quality & Patient Safety Improvement Programme have indicated the need for improved VTE risk assessment and prophylaxis. Plymouth Hospitals NHS Trust was recently named as an exemplar site for VTE management, however, there are still improvements to be made to existing practice and work to be done on embedding the principles of excellent VTE management across the whole Trust, particularly with regards to improving documentation of risk assessment.
Aims:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At least 90% Patients to receive a full VTE risk assessment on admission • At least 90% Patients to receive appropriate VTE prophylaxis
Plans:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Incorporate VTE guidelines, risk assessment and prescription into revised drug chart for Trust-wide use • Test ways to improve understanding and usage of VTE sections of revised drug chart • Continued education of multi-professional staff groups • Continued education of patients and the public on VTE management
Monitoring & Reporting:	<p>Our progress for this priority will be monitored using the following metrics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • % Patients receiving appropriate VTE risk assessment • % Patients receiving appropriate VTE prophylaxis
Related CQUIN:	To reduce avoidable death, disability and chronic ill health from Venous-thromboembolism (VTE)
Leads:	<p>Dr Tim Nokes, Consultant Haematologist and Trust Lead for VTE</p> <p>Miss Louise Sturgess, Programme Manager SWSHA Quality & Patient Safety Improvement Programme</p>

Priority 3: Improved prevention and management of all Hospital Acquired Infections	
Quality Domain:	Patient Safety
Background:	Healthcare Associated Infections, such as MRSA and C-Difficile, remain a key priority for all Healthcare providers. In Plymouth Hospitals NHS Trust we have seen significant reductions in the incidences of MRSA and C-Difficile. However, we plan to continue reducing the numbers of these infections whilst focusing on other Healthcare Associated Infections such as Ventilator Acquired Pneumonia.
Aims:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 30% reduction in MRSA cases • 30% reduction in C-Difficile cases • More than 300 days between cases of Ventilator Acquired Pneumonia on the Intensive Care Unit
Plans:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction of a bedside training package for all Intensive care staff • Test ways to improve compliance with the Ventilator Care Bundle on ICU • Conduct month long infection surveillance programme to identify further opportunities for improvement
Monitoring & Reporting:	<p>Our progress for this priority will be monitored using the following metrics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MRSA Infection rate per 1000 bed days • C-Difficile infection rate per 1000 bed days • Number of cases of Ventilator Acquired Pneumonia
Leads:	<p>Dr Peter Jenks, Consultant Microbiologist and Infection Prevention and Control Lead</p> <p>Dr Colin Ferguson, Consultant Anaesthetist ICU</p>

Priority 4: Improved management of stroke patients

Quality Domain:	Clinical Effectiveness
Background:	The care of Stroke patients was a focus from our CQUIN framework for the reported year and as a result of the work that has taken place a number of significant improvements have been made. Our challenge now is to continue to embed those improvements to ensure sustainability.
Aims:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reduce Stroke mortality rate to national average • 80% of Stroke patients to spend 90% of their time on an Acute Stroke Unit
Plans:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue with improvement programme for Stroke admissions • Focus on improving direct patient admissions to the Acute Stroke Unit
Monitoring & Reporting:	<p>Our progress for this priority will be monitored using the following metrics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stroke standardised mortality rate • % Stroke patients spending 80% of their admission time on ASU • % Stroke patients receiving aspirin within 24 hours of admission • % Stroke patients receiving a CT scan within 24 hours of admission
Related CQUIN:	Enhancing quality and responsiveness of services particularly in areas likely to support reductions in health inequalities.
Leads:	<p>Dr Steve Alder, Assistant Medical Director</p> <p>Mr Ian Wren, Stroke Service Line Manager</p>

Priority 5: Improved vascular access sites infection rates

Quality Domain:	Clinical Effectiveness
Background:	Infection rates for venous access sites has been identified as key priority through discussion with NHS Plymouth regarding the CQUIN framework and the work on the SWSHA Quality & Patient Safety Improvement Programme.
Aims:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To improve the insertion, care and management of vascular access
Plans:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improve monitoring of central lines • Improve compliance with central line care bundle • Improve compliance with central line insertion bundle • Improve compliance with peripheral line care bundle
Monitoring & Reporting:	<p>Our progress for this priority will be monitored using the following metrics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • % Compliance with peripheral vascular catheter bundle • Central line infection rate • % Compliance with central line insertion bundle
Leads:	<p>Dr Peter Jenks, Consultant Microbiologist and IPC Lead</p> <p>Miss Louise Sturgess, Programme Manager SWSHA Quality & Patient Safety Improvement Programme</p>

Priority 6: Improved compliance with the surgical site infections bundle and reduced numbers of associated infections

Quality Domain:	Clinical Effectiveness
Background:	Surgical site infections (SSI) have been identified as a key priority for the Trust from the work on the SWSHA Quality and patient Safety Improvement Programme and through the CQUIN framework for the coming year.
Aims:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 50% reduction in patients with Surgical Site Infections by 2014
Plans:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Implement the Surgical Site Infection bundle across all Theatres • Implement the WHO Surgical Safety Checklist across all Theatres
Monitoring & Reporting:	<p>Our progress for this priority will be monitored using the following metrics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of patients with an SSI • Number of patients with antibiotics administered on time • Number of patients with appropriate hair removal • Number of patients with perioperative normothermia • Compliance with the WHO Checklist
Related CQUIN:	Reduce avoidable hospital stays by improving processes to reduce infection rates
Leads:	<p>Dr Matt Hill, Consultant Anaesthetist and Clinical Lead for Perioperative Work Stream for SWSHA Quality and Patient Safety Improvement Programme</p> <p>Dr Daryl Thorp-Jones, Consultant Anaesthetist</p> <p>Dr Peter Jenks, Consultant Microbiologist</p> <p>Miss Louise Sturgess, Programme Manager SWSHA Quality & Patient Safety Improvement Programme</p>

Priority 7: Better engagement of patients in decisions about their care

Quality Domain:	Patient Experience
Background:	In the National Patient Survey our patients and carers told us that they wanted to be more engaged in decisions about their care.
Aims:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improve the % of patients and carers who feel they were involved in decisions about their care
Plans:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop patient engagement strategy • Involve patients/carers in service redesign/evaluation • Implement 'recommender score' in inpatient areas
Monitoring & Reporting:	<p>Our progress for this priority will be monitored using the following metrics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • % Patients and carers answering Yes to questions related to the above in the National Patient Survey • Trend data for patient recommender scores
Related CQUIN:	Improve responsiveness to personal needs of patients and carers
Leads:	<p>Sarah Watson-Fisher, Chief Nurse</p> <p>Gill Hunt, Trust Board Secretary</p>

Priority 8: Better provision of single sex accommodation for inpatients

Quality Domain:	Patient Experience
Background:	In the National Patient Survey our patients and carers told us that they wanted to be treated with dignity and respect whilst in hospital. One aspect of dignity and respect is the provision of single sex accommodation. This has been identified as an area where Plymouth Hospitals NHS Trust can make substantial improvements.
Aims:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More than 85% of patients to receive care in a single sex setting
Plans:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue with improvement plan for eradication of mixed-sex accommodation throughout Trust
Monitoring & Reporting:	<p>Our progress for this priority will be monitored using the following metrics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • % Patients and carers answering Yes to questions related to the above in the National Patient Survey • Real-time DSSA breach reporting data to be incorporated into performance/quality/safety scorecards
Related CQUIN:	Improve responsiveness to personal needs of patients and carers
Leads:	<p>Sarah Watson-Fisher, Chief Nurse</p> <p>Kevin Marsh, Deputy Director of Nursing</p>

Priority 9: Better information for patients at point of discharge

Quality Domain:	Patient Experience
Background:	In the National Patient Survey our patients told us that they wanted better information on discharge from hospital, particularly around continuing medications and who to contact if concerned.
Aims:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improve the % of patients who feel that continuing medications were adequately discussed with them prior to discharge • Improve the % of patients who feel that they understand who to contact after discharge if they are concerned
Plans:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop discharge information for patients to include contact details and additional resources about medications
Monitoring & Reporting:	<p>Our progress for this priority will be monitored using the following metrics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • % Patients answering Yes to questions related to the above in the National Patient Survey
Related CQUIN:	Improve responsiveness to personal needs of patients
Leads:	<p>Sarah Watson-Fisher, Chief Nurse</p> <p>Simon Mynes, Chief Pharmacist</p> <p>Karen Grimshaw, Director of Nursing</p>

Priority 10: Reduced numbers of cancelled operations

Quality Domain:	Patient Experience
Background:	At times of extreme operational pressures it may sometimes be necessary to cancel planned operations at times when it is safe to do so, however, cancelling or delaying operations can cause extra stress and difficulties for our patients.
Aims:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reduce the number of cancelled operations
Plans:	
Monitoring & Reporting:	Our progress for this priority will be monitored using the following metrics:
Related CQUIN:	Improve responsiveness to personal needs of patients
Leads:	Sarah Watson-Fisher, Chief Nurse

Innovation

At Plymouth Hospitals NHS Trust we recognise that in order to improve we must be innovative in our solutions to quality issues. Below are two examples

of work that have taken place in Plymouth that have improved the quality of care for our patients for which we have been recognised nationally:

- **Venous Thromboembolism:**

- Derriford Hospital was designated an Exemplar Site for VTE risk prevention in December 2009, by The VTE Expert Working Group of the Department of Health – an accolade awarded to only 14 trusts in England. As a Trust we were recognised for our overall performance on VTE risk measures, particularly within the Orthopaedic department, along with strong clinical and executive leadership as evidenced by the formation of a VTE risk prevention team.
- The Orthopaedic service require special mention as they have implemented a standardised risk prevention strategy, which has repeatedly been shown to reduce the incidence of DVT from data captured in the nurse-led DVT clinic. The hospital received the Hospital Doctor Award for achievements in this respect.
- Other progress of note includes the setting up of a functional multi-professional Thrombosis committee in 2006, effective administration of thromboprophylaxis in greater than 90% of patients and novel ways for producing outcome information from amalgamation of radiology, post-mortem and DVT clinic data.
- Work is now focussing on improving VTE risk assessment documentation and implementation of new pathways for surgical patients together with a new drug chart including VTE risk assessment should help drive this initiative.

- **Infection Prevention and Control:**

- A monthly balance scorecard is distributed to all clinical areas – this details infection rates, audit results, patient isolation, cleanliness and antibiotic prescribing.
- There is a process for the Trust-wide surveillance of Alert organisms.
- There is a process for the surveillance and feedback of all hospital-acquired bacteraemias as well as a monthly Infection Prevention Board which is chaired by the Chief Executive.
- Every major infection related incident and every case of hospital-acquired MRSA and C-Difficile is subject to a full Root Cause Analysis investigation, learning from these investigations is disseminated across the Trust.
- A daily multi-disciplinary meeting takes place to review management of all patients with known or previous C-Difficile. These patients are then managed jointly between the clinical team and Gastroenterology.
- At Plymouth Hospitals NHS Trust we also provide a comprehensive education programme including a Postgraduate Certificate in Infection Prevention and Control which is delivered in collaboration with the Peninsula School of Medicine and Dentistry.
- We provide a Surgical Site Infection Surveillance Service that conduct post-discharge surveillance information for all major procedures.

Participation in Clinical Audits- 2010/2011

Plymouth Hospitals NHS Trust has a large number of audits planned for the coming year. In an effort to ensure that the quality of patient care is considered for the entire patient experience, there will be two audits of entire clinical pathways:

- Fractured neck of femur pathway facilitation project
- Care of acutely unwell patients facilitation project

In addition, there are plans for a number of Trust-wide audits including:

- Health records
- Nutrition
- Discharge summaries
- Consent
- Medical appraisal
- Learning from serious incidents
- NPSA Safety Alert Bulletins
- World Health Organisation Surgical Safety Checklist
- VTE risk assessment
- Long term survival rates

Participation in Research

The number of patients receiving NHS services provided or sub-contracted by Plymouth Hospitals NHS Trust in 2009/10 that were recruited during that period to participate in research approved by a research ethics committee was 2,589. The level of participation in clinical research demonstrates the Trust's commitment to improving the quality of care we offer and to making our contribution to wider health improvement.

Plymouth Hospitals NHS Trust was involved in conducting 418 clinical research studies and used national systems to manage the studies in proportion to risk. The National Institute for Health Research (NIHR) supported 192 of these studies through its research networks. All studies were established and managed under agreements. The majority of studies used national model agreements but in some cases university agreements were in place. The research passport system was operative at PHNT throughout this year. 13 Letters of Access were issued to researchers during this time. No Honorary Research Contracts were issued.

In the three years, to March 2009 426 publications have resulted from Plymouth Hospitals NHS Trust research, helping to improve patient outcomes and experience across the NHS.

Goals agreed with Commissioners – 2010/2011

The Commissioning for Quality and Innovation (CQUIN) payment framework aims to embed quality at the heart of discussions between commissioners and

providers of healthcare. In doing so, the CQUIN framework supports the cultural shift towards making quality the organising principle of NHS services.

The CQUIN payment framework apportions a percentage of providers' income to meeting goals of quality and innovation. At Plymouth Hospitals NHS Trust the value of the CQUIN framework will be 1.5% of our total contract value.

Some CQUIN targets are mandated nationally or regionally. Others are identified locally from discussions between providers and commissioners. The table below lists the Trust's CQUIN goals for the forthcoming year:

Description of CQUIN goal	Indicator name	Quality Domain	National or Regional indicator ¹
To reduce avoidable death, disability and chronic ill health from Venous-thromboembolism (VTE)	VTE risk assessment	Safety	Nationally mandated
	Appropriate prophylaxis for VTE	Safety	No
Improve responsiveness to personal needs of patients	Composite indicator on responsiveness to personal needs from the Adult Inpatient Survey	Patient experience	Nationally mandated
Enhancing quality and responsiveness of services particularly in areas likely to support reductions in health inequalities	Number of cardiac arrest calls	Safety / Effectiveness	Regionally suggested
	Decrease the number of neonatal transfers out of the unit for capacity reasons.	Effectiveness	No
	Proportion of patients receiving phase 1 cardiac rehabilitation.	Effectiveness	No
	Venous access sites infection rates	Safety / Effectiveness	Regionally suggested plus local enhancement
	1) % of patients having 1st swallow screening within 24hrs	Safety / Effectiveness	No

¹ Nationally mandated / Regionally mandated/ Regionally suggested/ No

	2) % of all patients having their SLT specialist assessment within 72 hrs 3) % of all patients receiving CT scan within 12hrs		
Enhancing the patients experience by reducing avoidable elective visits to hospital	Reduce number rebooking occurring for outpatients appointments as a result of rescheduling clinics	Effectiveness	No
Reduce avoidable hospital stays by improving processes to reduce infection rates	Reduce the percentage of elective surgical patients in selected population developing a Surgical Site Infection (SSI) 30 days post operation	Safety / Experience	Regionally suggested

Service Development Plans for 2010/2011

Management of Service Development:

The Trust is in the process of extending the coverage of its Change Agenda to cover all quality, safety and patient improvement activity. All projects will be:

- Developed in accordance with Trust policy, based on Office of Government Commerce methodology
- Made visible on a Trust-wide shared drive. Planning is underway to introduce a Microsoft project planning tool to automate the tracking of projects and programmes as well as manage independencies
- Integrated into a coherent Portfolio of work ensuring the aims of quality improvement work is consistent, and not at odds, with productivity and efficiency activity
- Reported through the Portfolio Management Office (PMO)
- Performance-managed by the Change Portfolio Assurance Group (CPAG), reporting into the Change Board. CPAG is tasked with assurance delivery of the scope of the Portfolio whilst the Change Board principally considers coverage of the Portfolio in delivering the Trust's strategy
- Quality controlled by the PMO to ensure processes are being followed and benefits realised. The Trust's Internal Audit Team may also be tasked with reviewing process compliance and benefit delivery.

South West Strategic Health Authority's Quality & Patient Safety Improvement Programme

In October 2009, the South West SHA launched a five year Quality and Patient Safety Improvement Programme.

The programme is based on national programmes, such as Patient Safety First and the Health Foundation's Safer Patients Initiative, and aims to tackle some of the most relevant quality concerns faced by hospitals.

The programme focuses on delivering improvements in five key domains of care:

- Leadership
- General ward care
- Perioperative care
- Critical care
- Medicines management

Review of Quality Performance

This section details the Trust's performance in a selection of areas in 2009/2010. As the Trust continues to work towards developing and refining key quality metrics the focus of the Review of Quality Performance may change. Where this is the case the Trust will provide an explanation of any changes and will report on any that are to be removed. This section also shows the Trust's performance against national targets and regulatory requirements.

A Summary of our Achievements

The Trust has made excellent progress on some key performance targets during 2009/2010. Of note during this period are the following achievements:

- **HSMR** - The Hospital Standardised Mortality rates are a statistical calculation which measure the overall rate of deaths within an NHS trust, compared with a national benchmark. The Hospital Standardised Mortality Rates can be compared to 100, which is the national figure. An NHS Trust with a rate below 100 had fewer deaths than would be expected, given the types of cases treated by the organisation. Conversely, trusts with a rate above 100 will have had more deaths than would be expected. Plymouth's rate of 73.6 for the period April 2009 to February 2010 shows that the mortality rate is nearly 26% lower (or better) than expected
- **Infection control** – Over the last year we have seen a reduction of almost 50% in the number of cases of MRSA and a reduction of 52% in the number of cases of C-Difficile. The 'Innovation' section contains more information on how this was achieved.
- **VTE Prophylaxis** – The Trust is delighted to report that, based on the results of clinical audits, 92% of patients received appropriate thromboprophylaxis.
- **Care of Stroke patients** – During the year 2009/2010 55% of stroke patients spent at least 90% of their time in hospital on the Acute Stroke Unit – a specialist ward designed to address the specific needs of this patient group. This is a significant improvement from 2008/2009 when the equivalent figure was 24% of patients.
- **Waiting times in A&E** – The Trust has made significant improvements in terms of patient waiting times in A&E as was 5th best in the region with 98.03% of patients being seen within 4 hours.
- **Dignity & respect** – 83% of patients felt that they were treated with dignity and respect during their hospital admission compared to a national average of 80%.

Performance of Trust Against Selected Metrics

We have chosen to measure our performance against the following metrics in each of the three key domains of quality:

- Patient Safety
- Clinical Effectiveness
- Patient Experience

Patient Safety		
Patient Safety Measures Reported	2008/2009	2009/2010
Hospital Standardised Mortality Rate (HSMR)	84.6	76.8
Number of MRSA cases	29	15
Number of C-Difficile cases	160	77
% Patients receiving VTE risk assessment	-	79%
% Patients receiving appropriate Thromboprophylaxis	-	92%
Number of Never Events	N/A	2

Clinical Effectiveness		
Clinical Effectiveness Measures Reported	2008/2009	2009/2010
Stroke mortality rate	-	117.98
% Stroke Patients spending 90% of their stay on ASU	24%	55%
Fractured NOF – delays to surgery >48hrs	83%	18%
Fractured NOF – readmission rates	-	4%
Heart failure readmission rates	-	13%

Patient Experience				
Patient Experience Measures Reported		2008/2009	2009/2010	National Average
% Patients who would recommend PHNT to a relative or friend	Yes	-	67	69
	Yes – probably	-	26	25
% Patients who felt that they were treated with dignity and respect	Yes	78	83	80
	Yes – sometimes	19	15	17
% Patients who received care in a single sex setting		66	80	84
% Patients who spent less than 4 hours waiting in A&E		96.40	98.03	N/A
% Patients who spent less than 2 hours waiting in A&E		51.90	42.30	N/A
Slot availability for patients on the Choose & Book System		-	92	90
% Patients who felt that the care they received was delivered in a clean and safe environment	Very clean	47	65	65
	Fairly clean	46	30	31

A proportion of Plymouth Hospitals NHS Trust's income in 2009/2010 was conditional on achieving quality improvement and innovation goals agreed between Plymouth Hospitals NHS Trust and any person or body they entered into a contract, agreement or arrangement with for the provision of NHS services through the Commissioning for Quality and Innovation payment framework (CQUIN).

Further details of the agreed goals for 2009/2010 are available from

National Targets and Regulatory Requirements

Plymouth Hospitals NHS Trust is required to register with the Care Quality Commission and its current registration status is fully registered. There are no conditions to this registration. The Care Quality Commission has not taken enforcement action against Plymouth Hospitals NHS Trust during 2009/2010.

Plymouth Hospitals NHS Trust is currently registered under the CQC to provide the following services:

- Accommodation for persons who require nursing or personal care
- Accommodation for persons who require treatment for substance misuse
- Assessment or medical treatment for persons detained under the Mental Health Act 1983
- Diagnostic and screening procedures
- Family planning
- Management of supply of blood and blood derived products
- Maternity and midwifery services
- Services in slimming clinics
- Surgical procedures
- Termination of pregnancies
- Transport services, triage and medical advice provided remotely
- Treatment of disease, disorder or injury

Plymouth Hospitals NHS Trust is subject to periodic reviews by the Care Quality Commission (CQC). The last review was an unannounced inspection on 13th January 2010 to assess whether Plymouth Hospitals NHS Trust is adequately protecting patients, workers and others from healthcare-associated infection. The CQC's assessment of the Trust following that review was as follows:

- On inspection, we found no evidence that the trust has breached the regulation to protect patients, workers and others from the risks of acquiring a healthcare-associated infection. The inspection was concluded with no concerns.

Information Governance Toolkit attainment levels

Plymouth Hospitals NHS Trust's score for Information Quality and Records Management, assessed using the Information Governance Toolkit at the March 2010 submission was 86%

Data Quality at Plymouth Hospitals NHS Trust

Plymouth Hospitals NHS Trust is committed to enhancing the quality of the information and data held on our patients. The measures listed below are indicators of the Trust's performance in this area:

- ***Clinical coding error rate***

Plymouth Hospitals NHS Trust was subject to the Payment by Results clinical coding audit during the reporting period by the Audit Commission and the error rates reported in the latest published audit for that period for diagnoses and treatment coding (clinical coding) were:

- Primary Diagnoses Incorrect 12%
- Secondary Diagnoses Incorrect 9.2%
- Primary Procedures Incorrect 11.7%
- Secondary Procedures Incorrect 5.5%

- ***Use of the NHS number***

The completeness of the data held on patients is measured in part by monitoring the use of the NHS number. The results below indicate the percentage of patient encounters that were conducted using the NHS number during the reported period. The results are split into three categories:

- Outpatient encounters 98.5%,
- General admissions 97.5%
- Emergency admissions 93.9%

- ***Use of the GP medical practice code***

The completeness of the data held on patients is also measured by monitoring the use of GP medical practice code in patient encounters. The results below indicate the percentage of patient encounters in the three key areas that were conducted using the GP medical practice code:

- Outpatient visits 100%
- General admissions 99.9%
- Emergency admissions 99.6%

During 2009/10, 13 national clinical audits and 5 national confidential enquiries covered NHS services that Plymouth Hospitals NHS Trust provides.

During that period Plymouth Hospitals NHS Trust participated in 100% of national confidential enquiries that it was eligible to participate in.

The national confidential enquiries that Plymouth Hospitals Trust participated in during 2009/10 are as follows:

NCEPOD studies – reported in year	
Title of study	Action taken
Acute Kidney Injury: Adding Insult to Injury	Report was considered by Trust senior Clinical Management team.
Deaths in Acute Hospitals: Caring to the End?	Report was considered by the Trust's End of Life Care Committee for further action.

Management has agreed timescales to implement any relevant recommendations resulting from the above reports.

The national confidential enquiries that Plymouth Hospitals NHS Trust participated in, and for which data collection was completed during the 2009/10, are listed below alongside the number of cases submitted to each audit or enquiry as a percentage of the number of registered cases required by the terms of that audit or enquiry

NCEPOD studies – data collection (100% participation in relevant studies)		
Title of study	No. of cases submitted	Percentage required by enquiry
Emergency Surgery in the Elderly	15	100%
Parental Nutrition	7	100%
Surgery in Children	18	100%

The reports of all national clinical audits were reviewed by the provider in 2009/10.

In addition to the National Audits included above Plymouth Hospitals NHS Trust has completed a further 7 National based Audits listed below:

- Laparoscopic Colorectal Surgery
- Pre-operative Anaesthetic Assessment in day case surgery
- Patient Outcomes following MRI in A&E
- Royal College of Physicians Health Records Audit

- Department of Histology Consent for Research Audit
- British Thoracic Study – Emergency oxygen use in adult patients
- National End of Life Care Audit

The reports of 77 trust wide and local clinical audits were reviewed by the provider in 2009/10 and Plymouth Hospitals NHS Trust intends to take all appropriate actions to improve the quality of healthcare provided.

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The Trust has a number of methods of gathering information and feedback from patients, carers and the public. These processes are managed by the Patient Services Team, under the direction of the Chief Nurse and include:

- National patient satisfaction surveys
- Patient Reported Outcome Measures (PROMS)
- Local patient experience survey programme
- Complaints, comments and compliments
- Patient Advice & Liaison Service (PALS)
- Foundation Trust Members' Forum
- Formal Consultation e.g. children's services
- Directorate/specialty-led activities e.g. focus groups, mystery shopping

It is essential that information and feedback from our patients, carers and the public informs a programme of change and improvement within the Trust. Below are several examples of recent changes that were made as a direct result of public feedback:

- A complete review and replacement of hospital signposting
- Changes to appointment letters and patient information leaflets
- Greatly improved perception of hospital cleanliness
- Improved confidence in our doctors and how well they work with nursing staff

The Trust recognises that there are many opportunities to improve links between the Trust and our patients, carers and the public. Work is currently underway to build on existing communication channels in order to maximise the involvement of our patients, carers and the public in the improvement and redesign of existing services.

[To insert:

- *Statement from PCT*
- *Statement from Link*
- *Statement from OSC]*



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The NHS Plymouth Provider – Quality Account

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2009 – 2010

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1. Summary by the Chief Operating Officer – Steve Waite

NHS Plymouth's commitment to quality

Improving quality for our patients and for the public we serve is fundamental to us and at the heart of everything we do. By providing a Quality Account each year we are showing our commitment to remain accountable to our local community. We welcome this opportunity to demonstrate our commitment and also to commit further to extending the scope of our Quality Account to all services provided by NHS Plymouth.

This report is structured in line with guidance from the Department of Health and includes our response to national requirements and reports; our priorities for quality improvement in 2010/11 and a more general quality overview.

As part of our development of this Quality Account we have engaged with and involved our local Overview and Scrutiny Committee, Local Involvement Network (LINKs), staff and patients and our commissioners to agree how we should demonstrate our commitment to quality. Over the next year we will be talking and engaging further with our stakeholders to help us identify future priorities for quality improvement and continue with our commitment to improve the quality of our services.

NHS Plymouth has declared compliance with 42 of the 44 core national standards which cover seven key areas of health and healthcare, including safety, patient focus, clinical effectiveness and cost effectiveness assessed by the Healthcare Commission's and performed well for many aspects of our national priorities assessment achieving a score of Good. Our safety records (MRSA rates) and patient satisfaction rates are higher than the national average.

NHS Plymouth is committed to improving the experience of our patients, public and service users and equally committed to helping people move on or back to more independent living. To enable this to happen we have introduced significant programmes to build our culture and capabilities around quality, and have identified a range of areas where we want to improve the quality of our services further.

Overview of organisational effectiveness initiatives

The Trust's quality programme is fully aligned with its broader business strategies to ensure that the right issues are prioritised at the right time. It is supported by internal structures and processes to increase organisational effectiveness. Two examples of our work in this area are:

- The Productive Ward Series
- Alternative Place of Safety Suite (APOS)

How we have prioritised our quality improvement initiatives

These are our priorities for improving quality in 2010/11. The current position and our future plans are described further in the pages following.

Priority 1: Improve our patient's experience by involving patients and carers and drawing on their experiences to inform every aspect of care.

Priority 2: To reduce our MRSA rates by 2% in the next year.

Priority 3: To provide Privacy, Dignity and same sex environments for people who use our services.

These have been signed off by:

Priority 1: Chief Operating Officer, Director of Mental Health, Assistant Directors and Modern Matron

Priority 2: Chief Operating Officer, Nurse Consultants and all Senior Managers

Priority 3: Chief Operating Officer, Director of Mental Health Services, Assistant Directors and Modern Matron

To agree on these priorities, we have assessed each initiative looking at to ease of implementation and the what improvements can be made in safety, outcomes and experience.

These priorities link closely to the Commissioning for Quality and Innovation (CQUIN) payment framework, out of the three quality priorities at least two are directly related to the three CQUIN indicators agreed with our Commissioners.

Our selected priorities and proposed initiatives

Each of the priorities above, with our proposed initiatives for 2010/11, is described in detail on the next few pages.

We have also included areas of improvement identified from inspection reports.

2. Introduction

We are committed to engage our staff, patients and public more fully in further improving the quality of services and identifying future priorities for quality improvement.

Services we Provide

During 2009/10 the NHS Plymouth Mental Health Services provided an extensive range of NHS Services including the acute unit (Glenbourne); Recovery Services (Lee Mill; Syrena House; Greenfields; Gables Unit; Edgcumbe Unit); Community Services (Primary Care Liaison Services; Assertive Outreach Services; Community Forensic Team; Crisis Response Team – The Home Treatment Team; Services for Older People including Pinewood and Oakdale units, Psychiatric Liaison Services; Community Mental Health Teams; Memory Service; Access to Mental Health Services; Psychology Services and Therapy Services.

Our Priorities for Quality Improvement

1. Improving the Patient Experience
2. Managing and reducing MRSA Rates and other Healthcare Associated Infections
3. Privacy, Dignity and Same Sex environments for people who use our services.

Succeeding Together

We are immensely grateful to all those service users, carers, members, commissioners and others who have supported and worked with us during the past year. Together we can succeed in this journey of quality improvement and excellence.

3. Quality Overview

This section of the report considers progress on a wide range of quality issues with a focus on **Patient Safety**, **Clinical Effectiveness** and **Patient Experience**. It also considers progress on national priority indicators.

Patient Safety Indicators

It is not only crucial that services are as safe as they can be, but that we can demonstrate that this is the case: to ourselves, our partners, our patients, service users, carers and to the public. We chose the following indicators to help demonstrate this:

A. Recording of Risk – Serious Untoward Incidents (SUI's)

B. Alternative Place of Safety Suite (APOS)

Table 1 Safety – How we did					
Indicator	Data Source	Trust 08/09	Trust 09/10	National Benchmark	Comments
A. Serious untoward incidents	Strategic Information Management	19.5%	38.9 %	100%	The Trust aims to achieve 100%

reported to the Mental Health Commissioner and Strategic Health Authority within 24 Hours	System (STEIS)				
B. Use of APOS suite versus Police Cells.	The number of core assessments completed	N/A	164	Reduce the use of Police cells for people who would probably benefit from Mental Health Services.	The Trust and the Police have agreed a workable framework for operating APOS.

Clinical Effectiveness Indicators

An effective service can be defined as one that provides the right service, to the right person at the right time. This section sets out some measurable indicators to demonstrate how we are doing on key measures of effectiveness.

C. Clients regularly reviewed

D. NICE Guidance

E. Clients with Care Plans

Table 2 Effectiveness – How we did

Indicator	Data Source	Trust 08/09	Trust 09/10	National Benchmark	Comments
C. Percentage of service users seen during the year who have received a review.	Electronic patient record for Mental Health information – ePEX data system	80%	77 %	CPA Policy requires a minimum of 6 monthly reviews	Trust target set at 90% of those eligible throughout the year.
D. Improve compliance with NICE Clinical guidelines.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Smoking cessation Audits Bipolar Disorder Audit Mental Wellbeing and Older People Schizophrenia Audit 	Not fully Compliant	Compliant	Engage with NICE Clinical guidelines	As per Trusts Clinical Audit plan
E. Percentage of Care –coordinated clients with a care plan	Electronic patient record for Mental Health information - ePEX data system	96%	91%	100%	Trust target set at 100% of those eligible throughout year

Patient Experience Indicators

To improve the patient and carer experience the Trust will continue to obtain real time feedback from service users and act on their feedback.

F. Privacy, Dignity and Gender Sensitivity

G. Patient Environment Action Team - PEAT

Table 3 Patient Experience – How we did

Indicator	Data Source	Trust 08/09	Trust 09/10	National Benchmark	Comments
F. Compliant with Department of Health requirements	Strategic Health Authority reporting	N/A	Redevelopment works on the wards	100% Compliant	The Trust aims to attain Excellence across all areas

G. <u>Specific Units</u> • Mount Gould Hospital • Plympton Hospital • Lee Mill • Glenbourne	National Patient Safety Agency – PEAT Scores	<u>Environment</u>	<u>Food Score</u>	<u>Privacy & Dignity Score</u>	<u>Environment</u>	<u>Food Score</u>	<u>Privacy & Dignity Score</u>	Fully Compliant	The Trusts aims to attain Excellent across all areas
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4. Performance Framework

The Trust has been developing a much more robust Performance Management Framework, and the Business and Quality Performance Indicators are reviewed monthly by the Board.

The development of the Business Performance and Quality Report is to incorporate quality measures into a balanced scorecard with Key Performance Indicators (KPI's). The scorecard pulls together a balanced list of National Indicators of Quality and is reviewed by the Provider Governance Committee and Board. Directorate chapters, focusing on specific performance areas and quality indicators are reviewed monthly, to ensure regular scrutiny of Quality.

A simple traffic light system helps identify areas that are weaker in performance and are reviewed by the Provider Board, the Provider Governance Committee, Directorate Business Meetings and Quarterly Business Review Meetings.

By reviewing data at all levels, the Business Performance reporting framework allows individual services and Directorates to take action to improve quality in their areas. The standardised approach also allows for comparison across all Directorates, so that where a low score for a key performance indicator occurs. It can be escalated through the scorecard system and a Trust-wide approach can be taken.

5. Participating in Clinical Audit

NHS Plymouth places significant importance on the delivery and implementation of a comprehensive audit programme that covers all services that we provide. Our Mental Health Services are instrumental in taking forward a number of important areas of audit.

During 2009/10 NHS Plymouth Mental Health Services participated in four national clinical audits and national confidential enquiries.

- The reports of four of national clinical audits were reviewed by the provider in 2009-2010 and NHS Plymouth intends to take the following actions to improve the quality of healthcare provided.
- NHS Plymouth has recently received the audit report from the National Continence organisational clinical audit; a feedback meeting is planned where an action plan will be developed.

During 2009/10 NHS Plymouth Mental Health Services participated in four clinical audits against NICE guidelines.

- The reports of four NICE clinical audits were reviewed by the provider in 2009/10 and NHS Plymouth intends to take forward the finding as identified the following actions to improve the quality of healthcare provided.

During 2009/10 NHS Plymouth Mental Health Services participated in nine local clinical audits.

- Clinical audits reports were reviewed by the provider in 2009/10 and NHS Plymouth will take the appropriate action to improve the quality of healthcare provided by the audit findings.

Audits

National audits			
No	Audit title		
1	Strategic Health Authority Carers Assessment		
2	Strategic Health Authority Dementia audit	A CQUIN INCENTIVE SCHEME INDICATOR – Goal no1 – the development and implementation of an integrated Dementia pathway.	
3	National Continence organisational clinical audit 2009		
4	Audit of completed suicides 2008-2009		
NICE Audits			
No	NICE Code	NICE Title	Audit title
1	PHI001	Smoking cessation: Brief interventions and referral for smoking cessation in primary care and other settings	HTT NICE Smoking Cessation audit
2	PHI001	Smoking cessation: Brief interventions and referral for smoking cessation in primary care and other settings	Harford and Bridford NICE Smoking Cessation audit
3	CG38	Bipolar disorder (CG38)	NICE Bipolar Disorder Audit
4	PH16	Mental wellbeing and older people (PH16)	Mental wellbeing and older people
Local clinical audits			
No	Audit title		
1	Use of SSRI antidepressants in newly diagnosed patients of depression		
2	Monitoring of Physical health parameters in patients in Rehabilitation psychiatry.		
3	Physical Health Screening in Adult Psychiatric Inpatients		
4	Monitoring of Lithium Therapy in In-Patient settings viz. acute wards and rehab units		
5	Benzodiazepine prescribing in substance misuse setting		
6	An audit of inpatient liaison psychiatric service for the older people		
7	Audit of Psychiatric Medication administered above BNF limits to Inpatients on the Glenbourne Unit		
8	MH Record Keeping Audit 2009		
9	Depot Polypharmacy Audit		

Audit Plan for 2010/11

Timetable for the Mental Health Directorate for 2010 – 2011			
Month		Month	
April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carers Audit • NICE Personality Disorder • APOS Service evaluation 	Nov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Depot Audit • NICE Promoting mental well being at work • CAMHS to AMHS
May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NICE Schizophrenia re-audit • Wristbands 	Dec	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ligature Audit • Falls policy re-audit
June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National audit anxiety and 	Jan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NICE Dementia

	depression	2011	
July	• Pharmacy Audit	Feb	• NICE Audit TBC • PEAT
Sept	• National falls clinical audit (data collection September to December) • Health Records	Mar	• Count me in census • NICE Schizophrenia
Oct	• Health Records		

In addition to this timetable there are other audits that need to be undertaken .These can include any external requests for audit.

Other audits that will be undertaken include:

- Infection Prevention and Control
 - Mattress audits
 - Hand washing audits
 - Safe handling of Sharps and avoidance of inoculation injuries
 - Clinical Waste management audits
- Patient Surveys

6. Research and Development

NHS Plymouth recognises the importance of Research and Development (R&D) in improving effectiveness, efficiency and patient and carer experience. Research and Development (R&D) supports and underpins NHS Plymouth's aims, values and mission statement.

Research and Development Mission Statement:

To develop a strong research culture, which takes a population-wide perspective and delivers high quality evidence, based on:

- Collaborative working
- Education and training
- Targeted investment
- Improved patient care

To become a Trust that encourages and supports research as part of its core business.

Current Initiatives in 2009/10

- To publish the average time taken for the local research approval process to be completed (Currently within the 42 day target).
- To use the NIHR coordinated system for gaining NHS permission for all network studies and be working towards integrating non network studies within this model.
- To act as a sponsor for research studies wherever possible.
- To embed research into job descriptions of all clinical staff band 5 and above.
- To provide support mechanisms to enable the majority of staff to be engaged at some level with research as part of their day to day roles.
- To be a key collaborator with the Universities and Acute Trusts in leading research projects.
- To have a reputation for sound governance mechanisms that are facilitative of research, with Key Performance Indicators based on approval times.

- To have met in full their requirements of DH requirements to support research in the NHS. (July2009).

Key Improvements Initiatives for 2010 – and leading up to 2014

- Be acknowledged as the leading PCT in the South West for research support, development and facilitation, and playing a role in supporting the other PCTs as appropriate.
- Lead on high impact research projects, having Chief Investigators who are Trust employees.
- Attracting high calibre staff to the Trust based on our strong research culture.
- Strengthening both Providing and Commissioning functions through evidence based approach to service delivery.

The delivery of those initiatives will result in NHS Plymouth being in the forefront of service delivery, strengthening Quality, Productivity and Patient safety and targeting appropriate areas for Innovation (QIPP) and planning. NHS Plymouth staff will benefit from the research-rich culture as part of a creative clinical environment and benefit the health community.

By raising the Trust's profile, undergraduate, newly qualified and experienced practitioners will seek employment within the Peninsula. Additionally, high quality research will inform decisions taken by the Trust in ensuring that the quality and effectiveness of patient care is maximised.

Our Selected Priorities

Our current research projects, (related to Mental Health needs are listed below)	
A UK Registry for Huntington's disease: collaboration with Euro-HD	Case Control Studies of psychiatric in-patients and those discharged
Diabetes Alliance for research in England (formerly Research Alliance for Diabetes)	Study of Suicide in the Criminal Justice System
Care for offenders: Continuity of Access (COCO A)	Prospective memory and social functioning in first episode psychosis.
Informed consent for genetic testing in people with a learning disability	Families and Substance abuse; a qualitative exploration of emotional and relational themes and patterns
Study of the costs of care by disease severity in Alzheimer patients SCoDA	South West Improving Access to Psychological Therapies (SWIAPT) Evaluation Project
Donepezil and memantine in moderate to severe Alzheimers disease (DOMINO-AD)	Evaluation of personalised health budget pilots
Evaluation of the impact of the choosing health financial commitment supporting the physical health care needs of people with severe mental illness at National, Regional and PCT level in England	The aetiology and prevention of in patient suicide
Victims of homicide with Mental Health illness (PLY001)	PREVENT - Preventing depression relapse in NHS through mindfulness based cognitive therapy (MBCT)

Proposed Initiatives

Objective	Specific Tasks	Target Date
Commission research topics that offer opportunities for new and innovative ways of working, whilst maintaining a focus on the Trust's priority areas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop a partnership approach with other relevant stakeholders, including university and non NHS public sector agencies to maximise resources, manpower and impact 	Long-term Strategy
Enhance the research environment within the Trust, increasing opportunities for innovation, attracting high calibre staff	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Build a resource which offers local research to be supported, through FSF, RDS and expert advisors. • Build research capacity into appropriate posts, thus giving focus and capacity to research activity. • Strengthen awareness of funding opportunities 	Long-term Strategy
Engage local partners, including academic bodies, the public, carers and users in topic selection, data collection and implementation of research findings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Holding key events targeting stakeholders in order to share findings of research • Use the results from patient surveys, complaints, clinical audit to consult on topic selection. 	Ongoing monthly events [lunchtime seminars]

7. Commissioning for Quality and Innovation (CQUIN)

During 2010/11 we have agreed three main areas relating specifically to Mental Health, in addition to our other CQUIN related activities for non-mental health provided services.

Goal no	Description of Goal	Quality Domain	Description of Indicator	Indicator Name	National or Regional	Indicator Weighting	Rational for Inclusion	Data Source and Frequency of Collection	Final Indicator Value (payment threshold)
1	Improve the care of people with dementia through the development of an integrated Dementia Pathway across Mental Health and Learning Disability, Community and Acute Sectors	Effectiveness, innovation, patient experience, safety.	Development and implementation of an integrated Dementia Pathway across Mental Health & Learning Disability, Community and Acute Sectors: leading and working on NHS Plymouth elements of the pathway in partnership with all key stakeholders.	Dementia pathway	National Indicator	40	To improve dementia patients' experience by ensuring that safe and effective care is given, communication channels are clear, and cross boundary working is achieved across Mental Health, Community and Acute Sectors, resulting in a better quality of life for both inpatients and outpatients under the care of the local health economy.	Performance monitoring via Joint Commissioning Steering Group for Dementia. Prescribing within National guidelines and audit for compliance.	Completion of all elements of indicator

Goal no	Description of Goal	Quality Domain	Description of Indicator	Indicator Name	National or Regional	Indicator Weighting	Rational for Inclusion	Data Source and Frequency of Collection	Final Indicator Value (payment threshold)
2	Improve patient reported experience.	Patient experience, safety.	Improve patient experience by implementing improvements based on the findings of the following a) CQC Community Mental Health Survey b) CQC Mental Health Inpatient Survey c) Greenlight self-assessment	Patient survey results.	N/A	30	As external, quality assured measures of patient experience, the CQC surveys provide a robust evidence base for identifying areas of improvement in patient care and experience.	Annual survey results	Minimum 20% improvement in performance in 2010 surveys compared to 2009 results

Goal no	Description of Goal	Quality Domain	Description of Indicator	Indicator Name	National or Regional	Indicator Weighting	Rational for Inclusion	Data Source and Frequency of Collection	Final Indicator Value (payment threshold)
3	Implementation of a maximum referral to first treatment waiting time of 8 weeks for Psychology and	Patient experience.	Implementation of a maximum referral to first treatment waiting time of 8 weeks for Psychology and Psychotherapy	Waiting time.	National and Regional	30	Improving access to specialist Psychology and Psychotherapy services will reduce the number of a	Monthly monitoring via ePEX	95%

	Psychotherapy services within all services		services				patients escalating into more acute settings and will provide a more responsive service to patients' needs, improving satisfaction with services and reducing inequalities		
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8. Two Examples of Quality Initiatives

Productive Ward Series – Glenbourne Unit and Pinewood & Oakdale Wards

The Productive Ward Series has been implemented in the Glenbourne and the wards AT Plympton Hospital since May 2009 with the fundamental aim of releasing time to deliver quality, patient-focussed care to every individual admitted to the units. This includes making practical changes focussing on a multi-disciplinary approach to a variety of different aspects to make the most of time and resources on the wards.

A number of initiatives have been implemented, included the well organised ward, focussing on slips and falls and reviewing the process of handovers between shifts. To date, positive changes have been made in the handover module and well organised ward module. Wards have also implemented the patient status boards, enabling staff to have clear information readily available regarding the patients on each unit.

The key to the improvement being made on the wards has been through true multi-disciplinary involvement, from domestic staff to consultants, with everyone being given the opportunity to make suggestions about ways in which to improve the ward environment. This has resulted in staff feeling empowered and feeling confident to be involved in enabling sustained changes on each ward. The Productive Ward Series also has a clear requirement for senior managers to regularly review and discuss progress with ward staff.

The Glenbourne Alternative Place of Safety Suite

The provision of an APOS suite in the Glenbourne unit is part of a national initiative to reduce the reliance on police stations to accommodate individuals detained under s136 of the Mental Health Act. Prior to the APOS suite individuals were routinely taken to the main police station.

The police are the first contact for those who are detained under s136 of the Mental Health Act. Their initial assessment is based on whether the person appears to be suffering from “ mental disorder and to be in immediate need of care and control....and if necessary to do so in the interests of that person or for the protection of other persons, remove that person to a place of safety”.

The APOS suite is located on the Glenbourne site but has its own discrete entrance and the area itself is furnished to provide a safe but relaxed environment.

The police and a member of nursing staff from the unit carry out an assessment to ensure that the person is not under the influence of drink and /or drugs and not being overtly violent or aggressive.

If this is not the case an arrangement is made for the person to be seen by a doctor and an approved mental health professional. This ensures that the person detained has the opportunity to talk about the events which have been affecting them and advice and guidance can be offered.

The service has been operational throughout 2009/10 and during that time 164 people have been brought to the suite for assessment.

A recent Care Quality Commission visit highlighted the good working practice between the police and health services and the quality of the environment where the persons were detained.

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9. How our regulator the Care Quality Commission (CQC), views our services

NHS Plymouth is required to register with the Care Quality Commission (CQC) and following assessment of our application CQC agreed to register NHS Plymouth with full registration status granted without conditions.

As part of the registration application NHS Plymouth had to register Regulated Activities with CQC, these are:

- Treatment of disease, disorder or injury
- Assessment of medical treatment for persons detained under the Mental Health Act 1983
- Surgical procedures
- Nursing Care
- Family Planning Services

In addition to the regulated activities 10 locations were identified and application for registration were submitted, these are:

- Cumberland Centre
- Lee Mill Hospital
- Glenbourne Unit
- Syrena
- Nuffield Clinic
- Mount Gould Hospital
- Peninsula Medical School
- PCT headquarters
- Plympton Hospital
- The Gables

NHS Plymouth declared compliant with all but two regulations for the whole trust plus and additional regulation for one specific unit.

The regulations we are not compliant with are Regulation 20 - Records and Regulation 23 - Supporting Workers and for the Glenbourne Unit Regulation 13 - Management of Medicines. Action Plans have been implemented for the three areas with completion and achievement of Regulations 13, 20, and 23 by 31st March 2010, 31st May 2010 and 30th April 2010 respectively.

The most recent periodic review carried out by the CQC, previously known as the Healthcare Commission is the Annual Check, made the following conclusions as detailed below, this assessment was for the whole provider arm of the Trust:

Overview Score

Meeting Core Standards – Providing Services

Almost Met

Standards

NHS Plymouth monitored compliance against core standards throughout 2009 and reviews of the action plans for core standards C9 and C11b through Provider Governance Committee and Provider Board who meet monthly. All aspects of compliance were considered to determine the declaration against reasonable assurance

and the evidence to support compliance was considered during the period 1 April 2009 – 31 October 2009 and reported through the governance structure to Trust Board for ratification.

As noted above because the action plans completion date were dated 30 September 2009 for C9 and 31 July 2009 for C11b NHS Plymouth had to declare not met for these two standards for the interim declaration made in October 2009. All other standards were declared fully met.

For C9 the areas of work which needed to be undertaken were around Clinical Record Management with regard to the retention, destruction and storage of clinical records. In line with the Records Management Code of Practice 2006 effective systems for the management of records needed to be put in place. The Executive Team agreed a Business Case for the appointment of a Health Records Manager and Records Co-ordinator and appointments were made in July 2009. In September 2009 a review was undertaken to ensure a database of records and clinical notes was implemented it was envisaged that this would improve the clinical records maintenance and storage issue.

For C11b two elements of the Mandatory Training programme, which had been agreed by the Trust Board, attendance percentages fluctuated from November 2008, they were in the areas of Fire and Diversity Training. As noted above increased mandatory training sessions and bespoke packages were made available to all directorates from March 2009.

10. Staff Satisfaction – Care Quality Commission National Staff Survey

INTRODUCTION

The Care Quality Commission (CQC) published the findings of the national NHS staff survey, structured around the four pledges to staff in the NHS Constitution which was published in January 2009.

As in previous years, NHS Plymouth chose to survey its entire staff with questionnaires sent to 2,302 eligible employees of which 1,326 staff completed and returned a usable survey questionnaire. Our final response rate was determined to be 58%, slightly down on the 62% achieved in 2008 but better than the national average response rate for all Trust in England of 55%.

Staff Survey Questions	Trust	National
TOP RANKING SCORES		
Percentage of staff having have equality and diversity training in last 12 months	62%	43%
Perceptions of effective action from employer towards violence and harassment	3.64	3.59
Percentage of staff agreeing that they have an interesting job	83%	81%
Trust commitment to work-life balance	3.65	3.62
BOTTOM FOUR RANKING SCORES		
Percentage of staff experiencing harassment, bullying or abuse from patients/relatives in last 12 months	20%	15%
Percentage of staff experiencing harassment, bullying or abuse from staff in last 12 months	17%	14%
Fairness and effectiveness of incident reporting procedures	3.35	3.44
Percentage of staff able to contribute towards improvements at work	62%	69%

WHERE STAFF EXPERIENCE HAS IMPROVED	Trust 2008	Trust 2009
Percentage of staff appraised in last 12 months	61%	79%
Percentage of staff appraised with personal development plans in last 12 months	52%	71%
Percentage of staff working in a well structured team environment	39%	46%
WHERE STAFF EXPERIENCE HAS DETERIORATED		
Percentage of staff suffering work-related stress in last 12 months	24%	31%
Percentage of staff experiencing discrimination at work in last 12 months	3%	8%
Staff Job Satisfaction	3.64	3.54

The Trust has developed a Staff Survey Action Plan to tackle areas of weakness and regularly monitor improvements made in readiness for the 2010/11 survey results.

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11. Our Priorities for Improvement for 2010/11

Patient Experience

Priority 1:

Improve our patient's experience by involving patients and carers.

To improve the Patient Experience

• Description of Issues and Rationale for Prioritising

In accordance with feedback from patients, we will continue with our commitment to provide the best patient experience, so that we are adjudged by patients, families and carers to be recommended, because of our high quality patient centred care.

• Aims

To improve the patient and carer experience the Trust will obtain real time feedback from patients and act on their feedback. Ward and team patient experience systems will be established to collect feedback, including activities on the wards such as

- Protected ward time
- Productive ward series (Glenbourne, Pinewood and Oakdale)
- The wards community meetings; daytime /evening
- The Acute Care Forum
- The Glenbourne Development Group
- Access to smoking cessation advisors
- The Wellness Group
- Plympton Hospital Development Group

Current Status 2009 / 10 – Inpatient Survey Results

Acute Inpatient - Comparison with Other Trusts in 2009			
	2009 Trust	All Trusts	RAG / Trend
About the Ward			
Made to feel welcome on arrival by staff	70%	71%	Green →
Staff definitely knew about previous care received	21%	25%	Amber ↑
Told completely about ward routine on arrival	32%	35%	Amber ↑
Did not share a sleeping area with opposite gender	91%	92%	Green →
Never bothered by noise at night from staff	79%	79%	Green →
Always felt safe in hospital	38%	44%	Amber ↑
Hospital food very good	34%	23%	Green ↑
Always able to get specific dietary needs	43%	39%	Green ↑
Hospital ward or room very clean	58%	51%	Green ↑
Toilets and bathrooms very clean	56%	42%	Green ↑
Hospital definitely helped keep in touch with family	41%	44%	Amber ↑
Received all help needed from staff with home situation	50%	42%	Green ↑
Hospital Staff			
The Psychiatrist always listened carefully	40%	57%	Amber →
Always given enough time to discuss condition and treatment with Psychiatrist	48%	49%	Green →
Always had confidence and trust in the Psychiatrist	46%	47%	Green →
Always treated with respect and dignity by the Psychiatrist	64%	69%	Amber →
The Nurses always listened carefully	54%	46%	Green ↑
Always given enough time to discuss condition and treatment with Nurses	45%	39%	Green ↑
Always had confidence and trust in the Nurses	43%	43%	Green →
Always treated with respect and dignity by the Nurses	61%	55%	Green ↑
Care and Treatment			
Had the purposes of medications explained completely	44%	39%	Green ↑
Told about possible side effects of the medication completely	21%	25%	Amber →
Always given enough privacy when discussing condition or treatment	60%	56%	Green ↑
Definitely involved as much as wanted to be in decisions about care and treatment	39%	32%	Green ↑
Difference between wanting talking therapy and having talking therapy in hospital	3%	23%	Red →
Definitely found talking therapy helpful	36%	49%	Amber →
Enough activities available all of the time on weekdays	37%	22%	Green ↑
Enough activities available all of the time evenings and weekends	9%	13%	Amber →
Definitely felt enough care taken of physical health	41%	43%	Green →
Service Users Rights			
When sectioned, rights were explained completely (small numbers)	38%	36%	Green ↑
Made aware of how to make a complaint if had one	48%	39%	Green ↑
Did not feel unfairly treated for any of the reasons given	69%	59%	Green ↑
Leaving Hospital			
Given enough notice of discharge from hospital	70%	70%	Green →
Discharge not delayed for any reason	81%	77%	Green ↑
Staff took home situation into account completely	40%	44%	Amber ↑
Have out of hours phone number	81%	64%	Green ↑
Given information about getting help in crisis	66%	64%	Green ↑
Have been contacted by MH team since discharge	79%	83%	Amber →
Contacted within two weeks of discharge	72%	81%	Amber →
Overall care during stay excellent / very good	47%	48%	Green →

2008 / 09 – Community Survey Results

Community - Comparison with Other Trusts in 2009/10				
	2008 Trust	2009Trust	All Trusts	RAG / Trend
Care and Treatment				
Last saw someone from Mental Health services less than 1 month ago	60%	61%	58%	Green →
Last saw someone from Mental Health services more than 6 months ago	6%	6%	6%	Green →
Health Professionals				
The psychiatrist definitely listened carefully	75%	72%	74%	Green →
Definitely has trust and confidence in the Psychiatrist	59%	64%	65%	Green →
Definitely treated with respect and dignity by the Psychiatrist	82%	83%	83%	Green →
Definitely given enough time to discuss condition and treatment	69%	62%	69%	Amber →
Not had any appointments with a Psychiatrist cancelled or changed to a later date	69%	68%	62%	Green →
Last two appointments were with same Psychiatrist	67%	82%	76%	Green ↑
The CPN definitely listened carefully	86%	80%	81%	Green →
Definitely had trust and confidence in the CPN	77%	73%	75%	Green →
Definitely treated with respect and dignity by the CPN	91%	86%	86%	Green →
Other person seen definitely listened carefully	82%	84%	80%	Green ↑
Definitely treated with respect and dignity by the person seen	88%	90%	86%	Green ↑
Medications				
Definitely have a say in decisions about medication taken	40%	44%	42%	Green ↑
Definitely had the purposes of medications explained	66%	64%	67%	Amber ↑
Definitely told about possible side-effects of the medications	39%	38%	41%	Amber ↑
Counselling				
Had Counselling sessions (talking therapy) in the last 12 months from NHS Mental Health Services	30%	35%	35%	Green →
Difference between those having counselling sessions (talking therapy) in the last 12 months and those wanting talking therapy	12%	16%	14%	Green ↑
Definitely found talking therapy helpful	48%	45%	51%	Amber →
Care Co-ordinators, Care Plans & Reviews				
Told who care co-ordinator is	67%	66%	64%	Green ↑
Can always contact care co-ordinator if have a problem	75%	75%	75%	Green →
Have been given a written copy of a care plan	47%	52%	46%	Green ↑
Definitely understand what is in care plan	52%	53%	48%	Green ↑
Definitely involved in deciding what was in care plan	36%	46%	39%	Green ↑
Had one or more care reviews in last 12 months	55%	60%	48%	Green ↑
Told could bring a friend or relative to care review meeting	78%	77%	72%	Green ↑
Given a change to talk to care co-ordinator before review about what would happen	66%	63%	60%	Green ↑
Definitely given a change to express views at the meeting	72%	71%	68%	Green ↑
Definitely found care review helpful	46%	46%	52%	Amber →
Support in the Community				
Visited a day centre most days or once or twice a week in the last 12 months	17%	19%	17%	Green ↑
Activities provided by the centre definitely helpful	57%	56%	57%	Green →
Would have liked information about local support groups in the last 12 months but didn't get it	26%	29%	30%	Green →
Would have liked help finding work in the last 12 months but didn't get it	12%	13%	10%	Green ↑
Would have liked help getting benefits in the last 12 months but didn't get it	19%	16%	17%	Green →
Crisis Care				
Have the number of someone from local Mental Health service to phone out of hours	56%	66%	47%	Green ↑
Could not get through to anyone when last called	5%	4%	5%	Green →
Definitely got the help wanted when last called	39%	40%	50%	Amber →
Standards				
When sectioned, rights were explained completely	26%	67%	40%	Green ↑
Family and Carers				
Family definitely given enough information about Mental Health problems	44%	40%	42%	Green →
Family definitely given enough support from Health and Social Services	38%	35%	35%	Green →
Overall Ratings				
Care received in last 12 months excellent / very good	59%	56%	67%	Amber →
Definitely have enough say in decisions about care and treatment	38%	42%	43%	Green →
Definitely had diagnosis discussed	51%	49%	46%	Green ↑

- **Key Improvement Initiatives for 2010/11**
- **The Glenbourne Development Plan – has been developed aligned to the 2009 survey findings and focused on improvements to key areas**

ABOUT THE WARD	GLENBOURNE DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2010/11
Previous care received	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Close links with the community teams • Including key stakeholders • Seeking views of patients via weekly ward based meetings
Felt safe in hospital	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A member of the designated nursing team are always visible within the ward environment • A de-escalation room
About ward routine on arrival	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff allocated to each patient to orientate to the ward environment, and routine • Information notice board containing all the information about the ward and services available
Hospital keeps in touch with family	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Involving family and carers throughout • Access to the Carer Support worker

HOSPITAL STAFF	
Psychiatrists always listen to carefully and treated with respect and dignity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regular peer group meetings – challenging practise from the peer group • The productive ward series - The ward round module • Royal College of Psychiatrists appraisal / 360 degrees • Ongoing patient survey and questionnaires • Ward round prompts given to patients
CARE AND TREATMENT	
Told about side effects of medication	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leaflets available on the wards • Pharmacy staff available to patients to discuss medication issues • Wellness group
Difference wanting talking therapy and having talking therapy in hospital, and found talking therapy helpful	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Access to 1:1 time with trained staff • Weekly Psychology group • OT activities • Designated staff groups are completing specialist training up to masters level • To fill outstanding Psychology vacancies as a matter of urgency / priority
Enough activities available all of the time, including evenings and weekends	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • STR workers to undertake activities off the unit and sign posting for activities available at weekends and evening outside of Mental Health services • OT department reviewing working hours and practise – OT to work on Sundays • Promote use of already available resources on the unit.
LEAVING HOSPITAL	
Staff took home situation into account	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discharge planning begins at the point of admission – as per agreed plan with the patient, carer and relatives • The development of a lead discharge nurse • Review discharge checklist to include utilities • Inter STR transfer with the Community and Community teams • Involving family and carers
Have been contacted by MH team since discharge	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff contact patients post discharge to check on their Mental Health status, irrespective of whether the person is on CPA or non CPA • CPA 7 day follow-up is a Key Performance Indicator – The Trust annual average of 96%. • Staff make contact with patients post two weeks after discharge

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The Plympton Hospital Development Plan – has been developed aligned to the 2009 survey findings and focused on improvements to key areas.

ABOUT THE WARD		Plympton Hospital Development 2010 – 2011	
Previous care received		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Close links with the Community teams • Including key stakeholders • Seeking views of patients via weekly ward based meetings 	
Felt safe in hospital		At least 3 members of the designated nursing team are always visible within the ward environments of Pinewood & Oakdale.	
About ward routine on arrival		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff allocated to each patient to orientate to the ward environment, and routine • Information notice board containing all the information about the ward and services available 	
Hospital keeps in touch with family		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Involving family and carers throughout • Access to the Carer Support worker 	
HOSPITAL STAFF			
Psychiatrists always listen to carefully and treated with respect and dignity		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regular peer group Meetings – challenging practise from the peer group • The productive ward series. • RCP Accreditation amendments for re-submission by end August 2010 • Royal College of Psychiatrists appraisal / 360 degrees • Ongoing patient survey and questionnaires • Ward round prompts given to patients 	
CARE AND TREATMENT			
Told about side effects of medication		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leaflets available on the wards • Pharmacy staff available to patients to discuss medication issues • Wellness group 	
Difference wanting talking therapy and having talking therapy in hospital, and found talking therapy helpful		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Access to 1:1 time with trained staff • Weekly Psychology group • OT activities • Designated staff groups are completing specialist training up to masters level 	
Enough activities available all of the time, including evenings and weekends		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Care staff to undertake activities off the unit and sign posting for activities available at weekends and evening outside of Mental Health services • Promote use of already available resources on the unit. 	
LEAVING HOSPITAL			
Staff took home situation into account		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discharge planning begins at the point of admission – as per agreed plan with the patient, carer and relatives • The development of a lead discharge nurse – in place on Oakdale, in place by end June 2010 on Pinewood. • Full OT assessment prior to discharge home. • Inter STR transfer with the Community and Community teams • Involving family and carers 	
Have been contacted by MH team since discharge		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff contact patients post discharge to check on their Mental Health status, irrespective of whether the person is on CPA or non CPA • CPA 7 day follow-up is a Key Performance Indicator – The Trust annual average of 96%. 	

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Priority 2**Managing and reducing MRSA Rates and other
Healthcare Associated Infections****To reduce our MRSA rates by 2% in the next year.****Description of Issue and Rationale for Prioritising**

NHS Plymouth works hard to ensure that the acute and inpatient environments are safe, clean and welcoming for patients, carers, families and staff. We regularly monitor these environments.

- **Aim**

To reduce the risk of patients acquiring a health care associated infection i.e. MRSA (*Meticillin-Resistant Staphylococcus Aureus*) during their hospital stay. If patients are found to have MRSA it is important that they receive treatment at the optimum time. It is also imperative to our service that the risk of cross transmission to other patients is reduced by all staff understanding and implementing standard infection control precautions.

There were no MRSA bacteraemias in Mental Health units within NHS Plymouth during 2009/10.

- **Current Initiatives in 2009 – 2010**

All new isolates of MRSA in NHS Plymouth in patient areas undergoes a Route Cause Analysis. This investigation is disseminated back to colleagues involved in the care of the patient so that an action plan can be developed and also we at NHS Plymouth can 'learn through action'. All are reported through the Provider Board and through the Infection Control Sub Committee.

All in patient areas have a weekly environmental checklist that they complete and any deficits are dealt with promptly.

Infection prevention and control is included in induction programme for new staff and since April 2009 included for all staff in the mandatory yearly update training.

- **Monitored By**

The Infection Prevention and Control Team have a robust audit programme to monitor infection prevention and control policies and procedures agreed by the Provider board and the infection control sub committee.

The IPCT have a good network of link practitioners who perform hand hygiene audits on a monthly basis and which are fed back to managers and the matrons, Infection Control Sub committee and to the Provider board.

We have infection control targets set for us as an organisation. These are summarised as shown below:

Measure	Target
Our intention is that we will see a year on year reduction in the incidence of MRSA Bacteraemia as well as Healthcare acquired <i>Clostridium Difficile</i> (<i>C.Diff</i>) infections.	Our year end position as at April 2010, showed a very low incidence of both MRSA and <i>C Diff</i> infections.

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Privacy, Dignity and Same Sex Environment

Priority 3:

To provide Privacy, Dignity and same sex environments for people who use our services.

Glenbourne

- **Description of Issue and Rationale for Prioritising**

Prior to the project The Glenbourne unit had fifty beds over two wards and service users shared dormitories, wash and toilet facilities and there was only shared community areas on the wards.

Glenbourne also had a seclusion room facility within the unit.

- **Aim**

Delivering the same sex accommodation programme was a project plan embraced by the Glenbourne unit in conjunction with:

- Privacy and Dignity: High Quality Care for All 2008 – Darzi Report
- Department of Health “Delivering Same Sex Accommodation Programme Guidance”
- Privacy and Dignity – A Report by the Chief Nursing Officer into Mixed Sex Accommodation in Hospitals (2007)
- Accreditation for Acute Inpatient Mental Health Services (AIMS)
- Service User feedback via community meetings and local forums

- **Current Status 2009/10**

The objectives for the project were to:

- Utilise current sleeping accommodation whilst improving privacy and dignity
- Create privacy for the use of same sex bathroom and toilet facilities
- Maintain flexibility in bed number management
- Allow reduction in bed capacity
- Create separate lounges
- Maximise single room capacity
- Cost management
- Ensure safety with least disruption to people who use our services
- Consider overall the therapeutic environment e.g. signage, time out space

- **Current Initiatives in 2009/10**

The environmental improvements have allowed for the addition of eight single rooms, all bedrooms are now fitted with new closing observation panels to maximise privacy but allow observation for staff.

Each dormitory is same sex and has its own private en-suite toilet and washroom facilities. The sleeping areas have been organised to remove the need for male service users to walk through the female accommodation, and dividing doors between each of the accommodation areas allow flexibility for up to six beds on each ward to be used for either male or female service user's dependant on need.

Each ward now has a separate lounge for male and female service users.

Running alongside this project was the de-commissioning of the seclusion room and now each ward has a de-escalation room positioned away from the sleeping areas.

- **Key Improvement initiatives for 2010/11**

Ongoing development of this agenda includes the imminent works to provide a wet room for females and an assisted bathroom on each ward, this final work will ensure male and female service users have equitable facilities whilst ensuring privacy and dignity.

User evaluation conducted in January 2010 indicated that service users received separate male and female sleeping and communal areas positively; noting service users would like more single room availability. This will be identified in future planning. Patient Privacy and Dignity Questions (for the SHA) were distributed to Patients on the Glenbourne Unit between the months of November – February. These provided extremely positive feedback about inpatient facilities.

The Glenbourne Unit has also developed the 'Place of Safety' locally providing an alternative detention venue if arrested on a Section 136 MHA.

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Privacy, Dignity and Same Sex Environment

Plympton Hospital

- **Description of Issue and Rationale for Prioritising**

Plympton Hospital is a purpose built unit separated into 2 wards (1 for older people with acute mental ill health and 1 for older people with acute dementia/organic mental ill health). The two 18 bedded wards are connected by an external corridor. The hospital site is isolated from other health and social care services and sites and has experienced ongoing problems with immediate access to medical staff within 30 minutes during weekends and nights.

- **Aim**

Delivering the same sex accommodation programme was a project plan embraced by Pinewood & Oakdale in conjunction with:

- Privacy and Dignity: High Quality Care for All 2008 – Darzi Report
- Department of Health “Delivering Same Sex Accommodation Programme Guidance”
- Privacy and Dignity – A Report by the Chief Nursing Officer into Mixed Sex Accommodation in Hospitals (2007)
- Accreditation for Acute Inpatient Mental Health Services (AIMS)
- Service User feedback via community meetings and local forums

- **Current Status 2009-10**

The objectives for the project were to:

- Utilise current sleeping accommodation whilst improving privacy and dignity
- Create privacy for the use of same sex bathroom and toilet facilities
- Maintain flexibility in bed number management
- Allow reduction in bed capacity
- Create separate sleeping corridors.
- Maximise single room capacity
- Cost management
- Ensure safety with least disruption to people who use our services
- Consider overall the therapeutic environment e.g. signage.

- **Current Initiatives in 2009 – 2010**

The environmental improvements have allowed for the creation of separate sleeping corridors which are separated by the addition of a second door, making both male and female corridors separate and accessible by only those sleeping in those corridors. All doors are now fitted with new closing observation panels to maximise privacy but allow for hourly observation by staff.

Each ward has a mixed lounge for male and female service users, with the opportunity of providing single sex lounge areas if required or requested.

- **Key Improvement initiatives for 2010 -2011**

As part of the reconfiguration of Older Peoples' Services to deliver the implementation of Reducing Inequalities in Mental health and of the Dementia Strategy, work is being undertaken to review the Estates Strategy to align these wards with more appropriate health and social care campuses to reduce isolation and promote access to and provision of a whole system of care. Future accommodation will ensure that the issues of dignity, privacy and single sex accommodation are provided prior to transfer of services.

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