

DECISION-MAKER:	HEALTH OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PANEL		
SUBJECT:	UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL SOUTHAMPTON; EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT REPORT		
DATE OF DECISION:	21 NOVEMBER 2013		
REPORT OF:	CHIEF EXECUTIVE, UHS		
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STATEMENT OF CONFIDENTIALITY

None

BRIEF SUMMARY

Following the recent underperformance of the University Hospital Southampton Emergency Department A&E targets Fiona Dalton, USH Chief Executive, will introduce herself to the Panel and give the Panel an update on the progress to date.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- (i) That the panel notes the progress to achieve A&E targets at the University Hospital Southampton, and following discussions with the Chief Operating Officer agrees any issues that may need to be brought forward to a future HOSP meeting.

REASONS FOR REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS

1. As part of the HOSP's terms of reference the panel has a role to respond to proposals and consultations from NHS bodies in respect of substantial variations in service provision.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED

2. None

DETAIL (Including consultation carried out)

3. Following a prolonged period of underperformance against the 4-hour A&E operating standard during Q4 11-12 and Q1 12-13, and with encouragement from the CCG, University Hospitals Southampton (UHS) commissioned the national Emergency Care Intensive Support Team (ECIST) to undertake a review of the unscheduled care pathway within trust. The review took place in mid-June 2012 and the trust is now implementing the recommendations. The outcomes and recommendations of this review were reported to the panel on 31st January 2013.

4. Since the initial report Monitor, the health sector regulator, has announced that it is investigating whether the University Hospital Southampton NHS Foundation Trust has breached conditions of its licence due to persistent breaches of their A&E targets.
5. At the last panel meeting on 19 September 2013 the hospital outlined the latest UHS Emergency Department's performance. It was agreed by the panel to receive an update at future HOSP meeting until the situation at the emergency department is resolved. The latest update is attached at Appendix 1. A further update will be given at the panel meeting by Fiona Dalton, UHS Chief Executive.
6. The panel are asked to note the latest performance and consider any issues that may need to be brought forward to a future HOSP meeting.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

Capital/Revenue

12. None

Property/Other

13. None

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Statutory power to undertake proposals in the report:

14. The powers and duties of health scrutiny are set out in the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2003.

Other Legal Implications:

15. None

POLICY FRAMEWORK IMPLICATIONS

16. None

KEY DECISION? No

WARDS/COMMUNITIES AFFECTED:	ALL
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SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

Appendices

1.	UHS: Update On Emergency Department Performance November 2013
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Documents In Members' Rooms

	None
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Equality Impact Assessment

Do the implications/subject of the report require an Equality Impact Assessment (EIA) to be carried out.	No
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Other Background Documents

Equality Impact Assessment and Other Background documents available for inspection at:

Title of Background Paper(s)

Relevant Paragraph of the Access to Information Procedure Rules / Schedule 12A allowing document to be Exempt/Confidential (if applicable)

1.	None	
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