Summary report of quarterly assurance review – Quarter 1 – 2014/15

NHS Rotherham CCG assurance report

Headline assessment – Assured

Focus	Assurance level	Particular achievements noted/examples of good practice	Issues identified	Any issues identified requiring further action and actions agreed
Are patients receiving clinically commissioned, high quality services?	Assured	 Community Transformation project has an agreed structure for increases in district nurse capacity and the locality structure has been redesigned to work more efficiently with primary care. An external Mental Health review has been undertaken Public consultation held on the re- location of the learning disability assessment and treatment unit which will enable additional investment in health services for community learning disabilities. 	 Yorkshire Ambulance Service response times were not achieved during quarter 1. The Urgent Care Centre is now expected to be fully open by Nov 2016. The diagnostic waiting times standard (<1% waiting over 6 weeks) was exceeded for the CCG. The cancer 31 day wait for subsequent treatment where that treatment is a surgery was not achieved in quarter 1. 	 Leads meeting booked at the end of October to discuss YAS performance. The CCG continues to run a pilot which has reduced pressure / demand on YAS. South Yorkshire and Bassetlaw AT to have a conversation with Monitor in relation to the delays. The main issues relate to sonographer capacity at Sheffield Teaching Hospitals and Doncaster and Bassetlaw Hospitals. There are no issues being reported at The Rotherham FT (TRFT) in relation to diagnostics waits, it is proposed that the diagnostic service at TRFT be extended to 7 day services. The Rotherham lead clinician has reviewed the breaches and no commonality has been identified. The July position shows all cancer measures were achieved.
Are patients and the public actively engaged and	Assured	Stag Medical Centre Patient Participation Group (PPG)	• N/A	• N/A

involved?		received a national award for best PPG in the Country Working Together event held jointly between the CCG and Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council (RMBC) to provide an opportunity for feedback on the Health and Wellbeing Strategy		
Are CCG plans delivering better outcomes for patients?	Assured	The CCG is on track to deliver the 2014/15 Commissioning Plan RMBC public health has co-produced a paper identifying key actions in relation to potential years of life lost.	 The C-difficile trajectory for the CCG was exceeded in quarter 1. The CCG is an outlier in relation to the following outcomes, cancer mortality rates and new cancer cases treated which were not 2 week wait referrals. The emergency readmission rate is above the national average Rates of unplanned admissions for patients not normally requiring admissions were higher than the England rate. 	 The CCG is involved in the root cause analysis process and works closely with colleagues across the South Yorkshire and Bassetlaw footprint. The Rotherham lead clinician has reviewed the cancer outcomes information and has confirmed that appropriate services are in place in Rotherham, the main issue appears to be relation to the late presentation of patients. Discharge arrangements at TRFT were identified as a possible reason, the transformation programme should hopefully resolve this. It was identified that the trust has a 24 bed community unit in the hospital and a 20 bed specialist COPD unit. These units should not be included in the figures. In addition, the work relating to GP case management should improve the number of unplanned admissions.
Does the CCG have robust governance arrangements?	Assured	Governing Body development session on risk held in June, as a result of this session the	N/A	N/A

		assurance framework and risk register is being refreshed.		
Are CCGs working in partnership with others?	Assured	 CCG is an active member of the Health and Wellbeing Board, Rotherham Local Strategic Partnership, CCGCOM and SYCOM System Resilience Group oversees the delivery of the QIPP agenda. 	• N/A	• N/A
Does the CCG have strong and robust leadership	Assured	 Rotherham was the first CCG to achieve the Investors in Excellence charter in the country. CCG has been shortlisted to the final 6 for 'CCG of the year' in the HSJ awards. 	• N/A	• N/A