

**REPORT TO THE TRUST BOARD**

<b>Paper Title:</b>	<b>NIHR Capability Statement</b>
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<b>Purpose:</b> <i>The purpose of bringing the report to the board</i>	<i>To request the Board approves the NIHR Capability Statement</i>
<b>Action required by the board:</b> <i>What is required of the board – e.g. to note, to approve...?</i>	<b>To approve</b>
<b>Document previously considered by:</b> <i>Name of the committee which has previously considered this paper / proposals</i>	<b>N/A</b>
<p><b>Executive summary</b>  <i>Key points in the report and recommendation to the board</i></p> <p><b>1. Key messages</b></p> <p>The Department of Health expects NHS organisations to publish an operational capability statement (OCS).</p> <p>NHS organisations that do so make a clear statement about what they are able to offer as hosts or sponsors of health research.</p> <p>Sponsors and researchers can see and use the information to inform and speed up decisions about where to carry out research.</p> <p>This statement will go onto the OCS website and act as a central information point where organisations can show that they have an OCS agreed and signed at Chief Executive or Board level and it makes the information more easily available to researchers and sponsors.</p> <p>This also shows organisations are using the NIHR Research Support Services Framework to facilitate research and, through the development of the OCS, have demonstrated that health research is a core activity within the organisation.</p> <p><b>2. Recommendation</b></p> <p>To approve and sign off the statement</p>	

<p><b>Key risks identified:</b>  <i>Are there any risks identified in the paper (impact on achieving corporate objectives) – e.g. quality, financial performance, compliance with legislation or regulatory requirements?</i></p> <p>None discussed at the meeting</p>	
<p><b>Related Corporate Objective:</b>  <i>Reference to corporate objective that this paper refers to.</i></p>	<p><b>Drive research and innovation through our clinical services.</b></p>
<p><b>Related CQC Standard:</b>  <i>Reference to CQC standard that this paper refers to.</i></p>	<p><b>NONE</b></p>
<p><b>Equality Impact Assessment (EIA): Has an EIA been carried out? No</b></p> <p><b>If no, please explain you reasons for not undertaking and EIA.</b> This strategy does not impact service provision.</p>	

## Appendix A:

1. EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT FORM – INITIAL SCREENING

Headline outcomes for the Equality Delivery System (EDS)

- Better health outcomes for all
- Improved patient access and experience
- Empowered, engaged and well-supported staff
- Inclusive leadership at all levels

Service/Function/Policy	Directorate / Department	Assessor(s)	New or Existing Service or Policy?	Date of Assessment
<b>1.1 Who is responsible for this service / function / policy?</b>				
<b>1.2 Describe the purpose of the service / function / policy?</b> <i>Who is it intended to benefit? What are the intended outcomes?</i>				
<b>1.3 Are there any associated objectives?</b> <i>E.g. National Service Frameworks, National Targets, Legislation , Trust strategic objectives</i>				
<b>1.4 What factors contribute or detract from achieving intended outcomes?</b>				
<b>1.5 Does the service / policy / function / have a positive or negative impact in terms of the protected groups under the Equality Act 2010. These are Age, Disability ( physical and mental), Gender-reassignment, Marriage and Civil partnership, Pregnancy and maternity, Sex /Gender, Race (inc nationality and ethnicity), Sexual orientation, Region or belief and Human Rights</b>				
<b>1.6 If yes, please describe current or planned activities to address the impact.</b>				
<b>1.7 Is there any scope for new measures which would promote equality?</b>				
<b>1.8 What are your monitoring arrangements for this policy/ service</b>				
<b>1.9 Equality Impact Rating [low, medium, high]</b>				
<b>2.0. Please give your reasons for this rating</b>				