

REPORT TO THE TRUST BOARD – 28th August 2014

Paper Title:	Board Governance Statements: Self-Certification
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Purpose: <i>The purpose of bringing the report to the board</i>	The Trust is required to submit self-certification against the Governance Statements to Monitor as part of the Foundation Trust assessment process.
Action required by the board:	The Board is asked to confirm that they are satisfied that all statements are fully met and can be submitted to Monitor.
Document previously considered by: <i>Name of the committee which has previously considered this paper / proposals</i>	Executive Management Team
<p>Executive summary <i>Key points in the report and recommendation to the board</i></p> <p>1. Key messages Self-certification against the Monitor Board Governance Statements is one of the key submissions that the Trust is required to make to Monitor as part of the Foundation Trust assessment process, and is part of good practice as a Board.</p> <p>The statements of compliance, including assurance and relevant evidence, were presented to the Trust Board in July for a detailed review. No material changes to the assurances were required by the Board. The Board is now required to confirm that they are satisfied that all statements are fully met, in line with the attached letter that will be submitted to Monitor.</p> <p>2. Recommendation That the Board confirms they are satisfied that the Governance Statements are fully met and the Chairman signs the letter for submission to Monitor.</p>	
<p>Key risks identified: <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>The key risk identified in the paper relates to delivery of operational performance, which links directly to a risk identified on the Board Assurance Framework.</p>	

<p>Related Corporate Objective:</p> <p><i>Reference to corporate objective that this paper refers to.</i></p>	<p>Continue to make good progress towards being authorised as a Foundation Trust in the coming year</p>
<p>Related CQC Standard:</p> <p><i>Reference to CQC standard that this paper refers to.</i></p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p>Equality Impact Assessment (EIA): Has an EIA been carried out? Yes</p> <p>If yes, please provide a summary of the key findings</p> <p>No specific groups of patients or community will be affected by the initiatives detailed in the report. Where there may be an impact on patients then consultation will be managed as part of that specific programme.</p> <p>If no, please explain your reasons for not undertaking an EIA.</p>	