

Adult Services and Health Select Committee Chair's Update

Scrutiny Review – Access to Services for People with Learning Disabilities and / or Autism	
Achieved since last meeting	A summary of evidence was considered on 15 March and the Final Report was agreed on 12 April.
Problems or concerns	None.
Planned next month	This review has completed and the next stage will be to consider an Action Plan should the recommendations be agreed.
On track – yes / no	Yes

Overview / Performance and Quality Assurance	
Key Issues / Problems or concerns	<p>North Tees and Hartlepool (NTH) NHS Trust Quality Account - The draft Account was considered on 12 April. This includes an overview of performance across the Trust against a number of key indicators, performance against last year's priorities for Quality Improvement, and outlines next year's priorities. The Committee is able to submit a statement of assurance to the published version.</p> <p>Visits to Frontline Services – In March Members visited the Allensway Centre for adults with complex needs.</p> <p>Quality Standards Framework – The Committee considered the Phase 1 Results of this Council-run Quality monitoring and improvement scheme and these focussed on Older People's Care Homes with Nursing. The Committee requested further detail on scoring where appropriate as part of future rounds.</p>
Requests for more information	<p>North Tees and Hartlepool NHS Trust Care Quality Commission Report – Further information is included in the Quality Account which the Committee considered in April.</p> <p>North Tees and Hartlepool (NTH) NHS Trust Quality Account - Members requested more information on infection control measures, safeguarding referrals, governance of commercially sponsored research, and the action plan following the CQC inspection.</p>

NHS Updates / Consultations	
Key Issues / Problems or concerns	Assisted Reproduction Unit – NTH Trust is now consulting on the future of the unit of this service based in Hartlepool Hospital. Stockton and Durham's position is that the proposals were not

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	<p>considered to be 'substantial' (under the regulations), and an update had been provided to Stockton's Committee in February. Hartlepool will respond to the consultation, and the results of the process will be reported in due course.</p> <p>Better Health Programme – An update report and presentation was provided on 15 March. A number of proposals to hospital and community-based NHS care will be put forward affecting the Durham and Tees Valley area later in 2016.</p> <p>A Member Seminar is also due to take place (23 May). In due course a Joint Committee will be formed by all affected Authorities in order to consider and respond to the consultation.</p>
Requests for more information	As above.

Regional Health Committees

Key Issues / Problems or concerns	<p>Tees Valley Committee – The meeting scheduled for April has been cancelled and the Quality Account for Tees Esk and Wear Valleys NHS Foundation Trust will be circulated in due course.</p> <p>Regional Committee – A regional response to the NEAS Quality Account will be collated and submitted. The Committee would next meet following local elections.</p>
Requests for more information	<p>Regional Committee – Additional detail on the funding of the Learning Disability Fast Track was requested for the next meeting, and the Committee agreed to formally monitor the project at a regional level.</p>

Monitoring – There have been no monitoring updates received following the previous Executive Scrutiny Committee. However at the last progress updates (considered in December) it was agreed that a GP Commissioning Development session be provided by the Clinical Commissioning Group and NHS England, and this is still to be arranged.