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North Tees and Hartlepool NHS Foundation Trust Quality Account 2010-11

Summary

The Committee are requested to consider a presentation as part of the Trust's consultation into the priorities for inclusion in next year's Quality Account.

Detail

1. Members will recall that Sue Smith, Director of Nursing, and David Emerton, Medical Director, attended the meeting of 19 April in order to present the Trust's draft Quality Account for 2010-11. Following this meeting, the Committee provided a statement for inclusion in the published version. This final version can be found via the following link:

<http://www.nth.nhs.uk/assets/x/51005>

2. Sue Smith will be in attendance at the meeting in order to provide a presentation to report on progress this year and to consult on priorities for inclusion in the 2011-12 Quality Account.
3. Quality Accounts were introduced for the first time for the year 2010-11 and are intended to set out:
 - what an organisation is doing well;
 - where improvements in service quality are required;
 - what the priorities for improvement are for the coming year;
 - how the organisation has involved service users, staff and others with an interest in your organisation in determining those priorities for improvement.
4. For each Account, the relevant commissioning PCT will need to provide a statement of assurance. In addition, as noted above, health overview and scrutiny committees, and LINKs, also have a voluntary opportunity to comment on draft Accounts. Therefore the Committee will have the opportunity to comment on the draft 2011-12 version at a future meeting.

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