

## Board of Directors (in Public)

**Item:** 5.1.3  
**Subject:** Quality Committee BAF Key Issues Report  
**Date of Meeting:** Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> January 2020  
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**Meeting Held:** 7<sup>th</sup> January 2020

Agenda Item	Lead Exec	Assurance Received	New/Emerging Risks	Actions/Comments
6.1	RP	Infection Prevention – one C Diff and one Mrsa bacteremia in November 2019 – all infection prevention measures are in place.	None	Discussed at infection prevention committee in January 2020 – continued focus on bare below the elbow and audits with a prelaunch of the uniform standards planned for February 2020.
6.2	HK	Assurance received that all Quality Impact assessments for this current year are complete except two which were being addressed currently. Assurance that QIAS for 2020/21 are in progress with 8-0% drafted currently with a plan for all to be completed by the end of February 2020.	None	
7.3	RP	Assurance paper received from the Acting Chief Pharmacist on the Trusts	None	

		actions in relation to the management of medication incidents. The report highlighted that all medication errors were graded as minimum or no harm. When benchmarking with similar Trusts our reporting numbers are similar. The aim in LHCH is to encourage incident reporting and a decrease in actual harm. The focus also needs to be on near misses to ensure we are capturing the learning from all potential errors.		
7.4	RP	Assurance received regarding how the Trust has responded to the EXCEL study information.	None	<p>The EXCEL trial was a multicentre international trial comparing strategies for coronary revascularization in patients with left main stem coronary artery disease. Patients were fully consented and randomised to receive bypass surgery or PCI/stenting. The patients were followed up and the composite outcome included death, stroke and heart attack. The follow up data showed the two revascularization strategies to be equivalent. This allowed patient choice and led to an amendment to the ESC guidelines.</p> <p>The BBC news night programme investigators highlighted that the definition of heart attack in the follow up data did not include the wider definition of a heart attack and questioned the ethics of the principal investigators. Including the full definition of heart attack led to more events in the stented group. The ESC has not however altered its guideline and the investigators maintain their stance. Further discussion is ongoing. LHCH was an active participant in the trial recruiting 36 patients (split equally between surgery and PCI) and supplying all requested data appropriately.</p>