

NHS GRAMPIAN

Health Hazards in Healthcare Environments

1. Actions Recommended

The NHS Grampian Board is asked to note the NHS Grampian position and actions to be undertaken relating to performance, assurance, improvement and risk management of health hazards in healthcare environments in response to:

- Scottish Parliament Health and Sport Committee's Short Inquiry on Health Hazards in the Healthcare Environment (February 2019)
- Requirements and recommendations published in the Unannounced Inspection Report - Safety and Cleanliness of Hospitals, Queen Elizabeth University Hospital (including Institute of Neurosciences and Royal Hospital for Children), NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde, 29 - 31 January 2019. (Healthcare Improvement Scotland 2019)

2. Strategic Context

At the request of the Cabinet Secretary for Health and Sport, an unannounced inspection was carried out by Health Improvement Scotland (HIS) at the Queen Elizabeth University Hospital, Greater Glasgow and Clyde from 29 - 31 January 2019. This inspection was concerning the safety and cleanliness of hospitals. The focus of the inspection was:

Standard 1: Leadership in the prevention and control of infection

Standard 2: Infection prevention and control policies, procedures and guidance, and

Standard 3: Decontamination

This Board assurance paper is evidence of the overall approach that NHS Grampian adopts as a Board to demonstrate continuous improvement through learning and being transparent about performance and associated risks. This is integral to the effective management, governance and accountability of NHS Grampian.

3. Key matters relevant to recommendation

The areas highlighted within the report cover the following areas:

NHS Grampian's response to the Scottish Parliament Health and Sport Committee's short inquiry on Health Hazards in the Healthcare Environment - Appendix 1.

NHS Grampians response (position and actions) to the Scottish Government relating to the 14 requirements identified at Queen Elizabeth University Hospital - Appendix 2.

4. Responsible Executive Director and contact for further information

If you require any further information in advance of the Board meeting please contact:

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