

## Clinical Governance Committee Report to Grampian NHS Board Committee Meeting on 15 February 2019

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### Purpose of Report

This report updates the Grampian NHS Board on key issues arising from the Clinical Governance Committee meeting on 15 February 2019.

### Recommendation

The Board is asked to note the following key points:

- 1. Healthcare Associated Infection (HAI):** The Committee was updated around the progress of the Clostridioides difficile (formerly known as Clostridium difficile) monitoring and noted that NHS Grampian was no longer an outlier but was still above the national average. The Committee acknowledged the actions undertaken and the continued plans by the Infection Prevention and Control Team to reduce the rate.
- 2. Public Protection:** The Committee noted the annual report and the work being undertaken to support NHS Grampian staff to cooperate and proactively contribute to keeping children, young people and adults safe from harm. There has been significant progress in working with multi-agency partners.
- 3. Scottish Public Services Ombudsman (SPSO):** The Committee received a report on performance of cases investigated by the SPSO. The report concluded that the experience of the people who have raised complaints should be at the centre of consideration and that NHS Grampian should continue to ensure a reduction in those dissatisfied with the outcome of the current process.
- 4. Short Life Working Group: Dental Paediatric and Adults with Special Needs – Treatment Time Guarantee (TTG):** The Committee noted the weekend sessions to reduce waiting times was beginning to have a positive impact. The work undertaken by the short life working group was commended in progressing this.
- 5. Performance, Assurance, Improvement & Risk (PAIR):** The Committee was informed of the developing programme to improve NHS Grampian's processes for Performance, Assurance, Improvement and Risk (PAIR). As a result, 8 Senior Leadership Team groups have been established. One such group is the Clinical Quality & Safety Group who will agree a consolidated report to be presented to the Systems Leadership Team and a report to NHS Grampian's Clinical Governance Committee.

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