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**COUNCIL OF GOVERNORS MEETING, 16th SEPTEMBER 2014, 11.00AM,
ROOM 1, TRUST HEADQUARTERS**

Present:

Alan Maden	-	Chair
Anne Broadhurst	-	Lead Governor
Les Allen	-	Public: Bolton
Rob Beresford	-	Public: North West
Fareed Bashir	-	Staff: Medical
Desmond Bradley	-	Public: Bolton
Paul Butcher	-	Public: Trafford
Peter Baimbridge	-	Public: Salford
Jennifer Carlisle	-	Staff: Nursing
Hazel Carter	-	Public: Trafford
Anne Cunliffe	-	Appointed: Bolton
Andrew Greenhalgh	-	Service User and Carer
Leah Madnick	-	Staff: Allied Health Professionals
Alan Mitchell	-	Appointed: Trafford
John McClellan	-	Salford: Public
Margaret Riley	-	Service User and Carer
Phil Saxton	-	Public: North West
Sylvia Seddon	-	Public: Trafford
Margaret Willis	-	Service User and Carer

In Attendance:

Terry McDonnell	-	Non Executive Director
Malcolm Cowen	-	Non Executive Director
Kathy Doran	-	Non Executive Director
Ismail Hafeji	-	Director of Finance and IMT
Gill Green	-	Director of Nursing and Operations
Steve Colgan	-	Medical Director
Bev Humphrey	-	Chief Executive
Steph Neville	-	Head of Corporate Affairs
Ross Overshott	-	Consultant, Bolton Directorate
Jayne Wright	-	District Network Director

67/14 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from:-

Michael Hulmes	-	Staff: Non Clinical
Eileen Kileen	-	Service User and Carer
Paul Ingham	-	Service User and Carer
Sally Claydon	-	Cloughside College
Julie Turner	-	Staff: Non Clinical
Sarah McDonald	-	Staff: Non Clinical
Eddie Murdoch	-	Staff: Non Clinical
John McClellan	-	Public: Salford

Alan Maden, Chair welcomed new Governors to the meeting.

68/14 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

69/14 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS HELD 8th JULY 2014

The minutes of the previous meeting held 8th July 2014 were agreed as a correct record.

70/14 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING

(i) Cloughside College (61/14)

Anne Broadhurst, Lead Governor, asked whether there had been any information on the appointment of a new Chair of Cloughside College. It was confirmed that news on the appointment was due imminently.

71/14 RAPID ACCESS TO (ALCOHOL) DETOXIFICATION: ACUTE HOSPITAL REFERRALS (RADAR)

The Council of Governors received a presentation from Chris Todd and Richard Rogers on the RADAR service which had been implemented in response to the fact that alcohol admissions placed a significant burden on the health system. Governors heard that A&E attendees were alcohol related and noted that district general hospitals had targets to reduce alcohol related admission rates and reduce avoidable admissions and readmissions.

In response to this the RADAR service provided rapid access from DGHs into bespoke 5-7 day alcohol detoxification beds where there were a range of evidence based psycho social interventions available to service users.

The Governors noted that there was a strong focus on engagement and aftercare for the service which appeared to result in better outcomes for service users which was now provided in eleven A&E departments across Greater Manchester.

Richard Rodgers explained the aims and expected outcomes of the initiative which included improving clinical outcomes for service users and an improved experience in therapeutic settings whilst providing cost effective care. The Council of Governors heard that the service had collected evidence which showed that 47% of patients had been frequent flyers to A&E having presented 3 or more times in the preceding 6 months.

Chris Todd explained that the initiative started in 2012 and had received funding to extend the service to March 2015 with a further 12 months from April dependent upon economic evaluation. An independent evaluation by John Moores University was currently underway and would be completed by December 2014. However, early findings indicated that around £2m savings to the health economy were accrued based on 80% occupancy.

In answer to a question from Sylvia Seddon on funding, Bev Humphrey explained that one of the challenges was funding year on year across 13 Clinical Commissioning Groups but despite clinical support from A&E Consultants getting recurrent funding and working through options available remained a challenge. The clinical outcomes however were outstanding and patient stories were impressive but the challenge for commissioners was where to pull the resource out from despite the effectiveness of the service.

Peter Baimbridge asked whether there was any indications of how many service users remained out of the system. Chris Todd responded that 75% of service users had not had an admission and were either controlling their drinking or had abstained and that the independent evaluators would be measuring.

Bev Humphrey explained that the service may need to be decommissioned where CCGs were not supportive despite having advocates in A&E consultant staff.

Anne Broadhurst asked whether there was anything Governors could do to encourage commitment from CCGs and Gill Green particularly welcomed support from Governors as the payback was for the whole community. Support the scheme could be given in Healthwatch, Health and Wellbeing Boards to help patients live to their fullest extent.

Bev Humphrey added that the service had advocates including Greater Manchester Police in relation to safeguarding of children and other networks.

The Governors **noted** the report.

72/14 CHAIR/CHIEF EXECUTIVE UPDATE

There was no Chair and Chief Executive update.

73/14 CHAIRS REPORT

Alan Maden, Chair, presented the Chairs Report.

The Governors **noted** the report.

74/14 NHS FOUNDATION TRUST CODE OF GOVERNANCE

The Council of Governors noted that the new Governors would have 1-1's with the Chair.

75/14 COUNCIL OF GOVERNORS

The current membership of the Council of Governors was noted together with the biographies of the new Governors. Governors were asked to complete the self-assessment in terms of gaps in knowledge so that, the required staff training support could be given to Governors.

76/14 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- (i) Annual Members Meeting – Anne Broadhurst encouraged all Governors to attend the Annual Members Meeting on the 8th October 2014 at The Lowry.

77/14 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Council of Governors would take place on Tuesday 2nd December 2014 at 10.00 am, Room 1, Trust Headquarters.