
Health Overview & Scrutiny Committee

24th January 2011

Report of the Assistant Director Legal, Governance & ICT

Yorkshire Ambulance Service Priority Indicators for Quality Accounts

Summary

1. Members are asked to rate the indicators that they believe should appear in Yorkshire Ambulance Service's Quality Accounts set out in Annex A.

Background

2. The Government White Paper Equity & Excellence – Liberating the NHS strengthened the commitment to Quality Accounts in order to reinforce local accountability for performance and improvement.
3. Last year Yorkshire Ambulance Service (YAS) selected a number of different indicators to report in their Quality Accounts based on the judgement of what would be most valuable to patients, partners and stakeholders. This year the Ambulance Service are asking partners in advance which areas they think are the most important.
4. As a framework for discussion YAS have produced a list of potential indicators for consideration (Annex A refers). They would also welcome any other feedback the Committee can provide as well as views on the 'Priorities for Improvement'.

Consultation

5. Yorkshire Ambulance Service is consulting partners on what they think is important prior to producing this year's Quality Accounts.

Options

6. Members can choose to:
 - Respond to Annex A
 - Not respond to Annex A

Analysis

7. The Chair of the Committee has completed the documentation at Annex A and Members are asked to approve this or make any amendments they feel are appropriate.

Corporate Strategy 2009/2012

8. This report is linked to the Healthy City aspect of the Corporate Strategy 2009/2012.

Implications

9. There are no known implications associated with the recommendations within this report.

Risk Management

10. There is a risk that if Members choose not to respond to any consultation or take part in any joint scrutiny committee their views will not be heard.

Recommendations

11. Members are recommended to agree to the ratings set out in Annex A to this report.

Reason: To make Yorkshire Ambulance Service aware of the Committee's views.

Contact Details

Author:

Tracy Wallis
Scrutiny Officer
Scrutiny Services
Tel: 01904 551714

Chief Officer Responsible for the report:

Andrew Docherty
Assistant Director Legal Governance & ICT
Tel: 01904 551004

Report Approved

Date 10.01.2011

Specialist Implications Officer(s) None

Wards Affected:

All

For further information please contact the author of the report

Background Papers:

None

Annexes

Annex A Potential Indicators for Quality Accounts