

Report of the Assistant Director Governance & ICT

Yorkshire Ambulance Service Priority Indicators for Quality Accounts

Summary

1. Members have been asked to rate the indicators that they believe should appear in Yorkshire Ambulance Service's Quality Accounts for 2012/13.
2. Due to time constraints Members were asked for their views by e-mail and these are now being brought to the Committee for formal ratification. The response is attached at **Annex A** to this report.

Background

3. 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.
4. 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. Again, the Ambulance Service is asking partners in advance which areas they think are the most important.
5. 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

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

Options

7. Members are asked to ratify the response at Annex A.

Analysis

8. Members of the Committee have been asked for their input to the documentation at Annex A. The Committee are asked to approve this or make any amendments they feel are appropriate.
9. Any amendments or additions to Annex A can be forwarded to Yorkshire Ambulance Service; however Members should note that the official deadline for responses has now passed.

Corporate Plan 2011-2015

10. Whilst this consultation does not have a direct link to the Council Plan the Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee have a statutory responsibility to review and scrutinise the impact of the services and policies of key health partners in the city; this includes responding to consultation documents, where appropriate.

Implications

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

Risk Management

12. There is a risk that if Members choose not to respond to any consultation their views will not be heard.

Recommendations

13. Members are recommended to agree to the ratings and comments set out in Annex A to this report.

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

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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