

Adults Wellbeing and Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee

16 July 2024



NHS Quality Accounts 2023/24 Adults Wellbeing and Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee responses

Report of Helen Bradley, Director of Legal and Democratic Services

Electoral division(s) affected:

None

Purpose of the Report

- 1 To inform members of the Adults Wellbeing and Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee (AWHOSC) of the responses made on behalf of the Committee in respect of NHS Foundation Trust Draft Quality Accounts 2023/24.

Executive summary

- 2 The AWHOSC have previously agreed responses to the draft Quality Accounts of County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust; Tees, Esk and Wear Valleys NHS Foundation Trust and North East Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust.
- 3 Upon receipt of the respective Quality Accounts, these were circulated to the Adults Wellbeing and Health OSC membership for consideration and comment. A meeting of the AWHOSC was held on 9 May 2024 where representatives of County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust and Tees, Esk and Wear Valleys NHS Foundation Trust presented information on the performance against the Quality Account priorities for 2023/24 and the proposed priorities for 2024/25.
- 4 The Draft Quality Account for North East Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust was circulated for information and comment to members of the Committee.
- 5 The views provided by members at the Committee were included in responses to the draft Quality Accounts which also set out the key areas of work that the Committee had undertaken in respect of each NHS Foundation Trust.

- 6 In order to comply with the deadline for responding to the Quality Account documents, draft responses were produced and signed off by the Statutory Scrutiny Officer in consultation with the Chair of the Committee and sent to each Foundation Trust within the mandated timeframe for responses which was 30 days following receipt of the draft Quality Accounts.

Recommendation

- 7 Members of the Adults Wellbeing and Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee are asked to receive this report and note the responses to the draft Quality Accounts of County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust; Tees, Esk and Wear Valleys NHS Foundation Trust and North East Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust.

Background

- 8 The Health Act 2009 requires the NHS Foundation Trusts to publish an annual Quality Account report. The purpose of the Quality Account report is for each of the Trusts to assess quality across all of the healthcare services they offer by reporting information on 2022/23 performance and identifying priorities for improvement during the forthcoming year and how they will be achieved and measured.
- 9 Draft Quality Accounts documents were received as follows:-

Foundation Trust	Date received	Deadline for response
North East Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust	29 April 2024	27 May 2024
County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust	25 May 2024	24 June 2024
Tees Esk and Wear Valleys	1 May 2024	31 May 2024

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- 10 Upon receipt of the respective Quality Accounts and following consideration of the respective Trust presentations at the AWHOSC meeting held on 9 May 2024, responses to the draft Quality Accounts were produced which set out the key issues within the Quality Accounts and also set out the key areas of work that the Committee had undertaken in respect of each NHS Foundation Trust.
- 11 The responses were signed off by the Statutory Scrutiny Officer in consultation with the Chair of the Committee and sent to each Foundation Trust within the mandated timeframe for responses which was 30 days following receipt of the draft Quality Accounts. A copy of the responses is attached to this report at Appendix 2.

Considerations

- 12 Members of the Committee are asked to note the responses to the draft Quality Accounts of County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust; Tees, Esk and Wear Valleys NHS Foundation Trust and North East Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust.

Legislative Background

- 13 The Health Act 2009 requires the NHS Foundation Trusts to publish an annual Quality Account report. The purpose of the Quality Account report is for each of the Trusts to assess quality across all of the healthcare services they offer by reporting information on 2023/24 performance and identifying priorities for improvement during the forthcoming year and how they will be achieved and measured.

Background papers

- Tees, Esk and Wear Valleys NHS Foundation Trust Quality Account 2023/24
- County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust Quality Account 2023/24
- North East Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust Quality Account 2023/24

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Appendix 1: Implications

Legal Implications

This report has been produced in accordance with the Health Act 2009 as they relate to NHS FT Quality Accounts.

Finance

Not applicable

Consultation

Not applicable

Equality and Diversity / Public Sector Equality Duty

Not applicable

Human Rights

Not applicable

Climate Change

Not applicable

Crime and Disorder

Not applicable

Staffing

Not applicable

Accommodation

Not applicable

Risk.

Not applicable

Procurement

Not applicable

**Appendix 2: Adults Wellbeing and Health Overview and Scrutiny
Committee responses to the NHS FT Quality Accounts 2023/24**

Attached as a separate document