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Health and Social Care HCAI Group

TERMS OF REFERENCE

Role

The Group is responsible for providing information and assurance to the Director of Public Health, who is responsible for overseeing HCAI across the health economy.

Responsibilities of the Group

The Group is responsible for providing information and assurance to the Director of Public Health that appropriate arrangements are in place to prevent, manage and reduce healthcare associated infections.

In particular the Group will

- secure delivery of the HCAI agenda across the health economy. Specifically MRSA bacteraemia and clostridium difficile, and other relevant key infections
- identify new and innovative approaches to reducing HCAI, piloting those where existing evidence is incomplete
- share learning which arises from root cause analysis or local incidents.

Membership

Director of Public Health, Durham County Council (Chair)	Anna Lynch
Director of Public Health, Darlington Borough Council	Miriam Davidson
Lead Infection Prevention and Control Nurse	Jean Armstrong
Consultant in Public Health	Lynn Wilson
Medicines Optimisation Pharmacist	Alastair Monk

Senior Contracts Officer - Development and Commissioning	Angela Coates
Lead Senior Nurse IPC and Physical Health Care - Tees, Esk and Wear Valley	Angela Ridley
Consultant Microbiologist County Durham and Darlington Foundation Trust	Dr David Allison
Consultant in Health Protection	Deborah Wilson
Director of Nursing Darlington CCG	Elizabeth Graham
Director of Nursing, DDES CCG	Gillian Findley
Director of Nursing, Quality and Development	Liz Herring
Commissioning Services Manager - Adults, Wellbeing & Health	Louise Lyons
Director of Nursing CDDFT	Mike Wright
Senior Nurse Infection Prevention and Control CDDFT	Tricia Gordon
NHS England Durham, Darlington and Tees area team	David Charlesworth
Head of Information Services - The North of England Commissioning Support Service (NECS)	Valerie Maddison
Director of Nursing at BMI Healthcare	Jill Neasham
Director of Nursing and Quality for Durham, Darlington and Teesside Area Team	Bev Reilly
Director of Clinical Quality and Primary Care Development DDES	Dinah Roy
Clinical Pharmacist CDDFT	Stuart Brown

Chair of Group

The Chair of the Group will be the Director of Public Health
Deputy Chair of Group – Consultant in Public Health

Quorum

The Quorum will consist of:

- Director of Public Health
- Representative from provider organisations, CCG and Infection Prevention and Control team

Frequency of Meetings

The group will meet quarterly. Each meeting will include an agenda and supporting papers which will be forwarded to members 5 working days before the meeting.

Relationships with other Committees

The Group will receive information and assurance from CDDFT and TEWV Infection Prevention and Control Committees and Public Health England Infections Committee.

Review Date

June 2014

Jean Armstrong
Lead Infection Prevention and Control Nurse
18 July 2013