

Adults Wellbeing and Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee

4 November 2015



County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust – Care Quality Commission Inspection Report

Report of Lorraine O'Donnell, Assistant Chief Executive

Purpose of the Report

- 1 To provide members of the Adults Wellbeing and Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee with background information in respect of the Care Quality Commission (CQC) inspection of County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust in conjunction with a presentation by Sue Jacques, Chief Executive, County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust.

Background

- 2 At the Committee's meeting held on 30 June 2015, members received a presentation detailing the role and function of the CQC including information in respect of its inspection regime and responsibilities.
- 3 During the course of members' questions on that item, reference was made to recent CQC inspections in respect of County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust; Tees, Esk and Wear Valleys NHS Foundation Trust and North Tees and Hartlepool NHS Foundation Trust and the evidence portfolios submitted to the CQC on behalf of the Committee as part of the information gathering processes which accompanied each respective process.
- 4 The Committee also indicated that it was eager to develop its relationship with the CQC and to ensure that when CQC inspection reports were published that these be considered by the Adults Wellbeing and Health Scrutiny Committee as part of its ongoing role to provide public assurance to continuing health service improvement within County Durham.

County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust – CQC Inspection

- 5 The CQC Inspection of County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust was included in the Quarter 4 2014/15 (January to March 2015) inspection programme with a deadline for the submission of evidence to support the inspection of 5 December 2014 and onsite inspections commencing on 2 February 2015.
- 6 The CQC published its inspection report for County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust on 29 September 2015 and assessed the Trust as "Requires Improvement".

- 7 A copy of the inspection report can be accessed via the following link:
<http://www.cqc.org.uk/provider/RXP>
- 8 Sue Jacques, Chief Executive of County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust will be in attendance at today's meeting to present the key findings from the inspection and also to highlight those measures and actions that the Trust are implementing in respect of these findings. A copy of the Trust's action plan is attached to this report (Appendix 2).

Recommendation

- 9 The Adults Wellbeing and Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee is asked to note the contents of this report and consider the information provided within the presentation in respect of the CQC Inspection of County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust.

Background papers

Letter from CQC dated 24th October 2014 - Information Request: CQC Inspection Programme for Quarter 4 (January – March 2015)

Minutes of the Adults Wellbeing and Health OSC meeting held on 30 June 2015

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Appendix 1: Implications

Finance - None

Staffing - None

Risk - None

Equality and Diversity / Public Sector Equality Duty - None

Accommodation - None

Crime and Disorder - None

Human Rights - None

Consultation - None

Procurement - None

Disability Issues - None

Legal Implications - None