THE MORECAMBE BAY INVESTIGATION - UPDATE ON PROGRESS

This is latest update on the work we have been doing with our partners to implement the 18 recommendations relevant to our Trust from the Report of the Morecambe Bay Investigation.

We have been producing monthly updates on the work we have been doing with our partners to implement the 18 recommendations relevant to our Trust from the Report of the Morecambe Bay Investigation, since May 2015. This is the latest update which relates to actions completed from 1 January 2016 – 31 January 2016.

What have we been doing?
During January 2016, we completed a number of actions, including:

1. Six members of staff from the Trust attended the Audit and Clinical Effectiveness Day at Central Manchester NHS Foundation Trust.
2. Looked to progress the development of the new Maternity Unit through the NHS’s ProCure21+ Framework.
3. Holding the Maternity Matters in Morecambe Bay event on 22 January in Lancaster. This saw around 40 members of the public attending to speak to Trust staff, and partner health organisations about their experiences of local maternity services.

Kirkup Programme
- Communicated progress to the working group, Morecambe Bay Investigation Sub-Committee, and the Trust Board
- Reviewed project risk register
- Outline ‘End of Project’ plan completed

Clinical Quality
- As stated in the last update, this project has successfully completed all the relevant actions. The team is now working with the relevant teams to embed the changes across the Trust

Education, Learning and Development
- Collected themes following communications to raise awareness on mandatory training. This will be fed into the re-arranged Listening into Action event in February
- Signed off the role essential training ready for inputting into TMS’ and identified the risks and support needed

Estates
- Produced high level initial layout, which is due to go to Trust Board in March 2016
- Looked to progress the development of the new Maternity Unit through the NHS’s ProCure21+ Framework
- Received expressions of interest from three Principle Supply Chain Providers (PSCP), and a shortlist has been agreed for them to attend an open day

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Governance
- Made preparations for rapid spread engagement events around Workforce, Efficiency, Safety, Effectiveness, Experience (WESEE) ready to go live in February
- Consulted with divisions to agree the new WESEE templates to use

Workforce
- Completed the review of job role descriptions to ensure consistency in each job description
- Passed the self-assessment survey results to divisions for action

Strategic Partnership
- Appointed Melanie Weeks, Non-Executive Director of the Trust, as Chair of the Maternity Strategic Partnership Committee
- Set up the membership of the Maternity Strategic Partnership Committee, which includes senior obstetricians and midwives from the Trust, Central Manchester University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, and Lancashire Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust
- Six members of staff from the Trust attended the Audit and Clinical Effectiveness Day at Central Manchester NHS Foundation Trust, which was very successful and productive

Communications and engagement
- Supported and promoted the Maternity Matters event held on 22 January in Lancaster, which saw around 40 members of the public attending to speak to Trust staff, and partner health organisations about their experiences of local maternity services
- Shared pictures and updates of the Maternity Matters event on social media and started the edits of the video taken at the event
- Shared monthly updates with staff and stakeholders, and uploaded to the Trust’s website and social media

How can I find out more?
We will continue to produce monthly updates like this and share them with staff, stakeholders, the media, and place them on our website for anyone to view at http://www.uhmb.nhs.uk/morecambe-bay-investigation

The dedicated area on our website also includes:
- The Highlight Report for each project, which gives an overview of the actions taken, actions planned and any risks or issues highlighted in that month
- The detailed action plans for each project. Please note that these are continuously reviewed and amended as appropriate as projects are taken forward so may change

We will continue to keep you updated.

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