



Trust Board				7 June 2012	
Title	Quality Accounts			Paper Ref	2.3
PURPOSE (X)		Information		Strategic Objective	Business Plan Objective
Approval	X	Decision			
Assurance		Discussion			
				Quality	
Purpose of the paper	<p>The purpose of this paper is to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Report on the completion of the 2011-12 Quality Account Present the final draft of the Quality Accounts 				
Recommendation	<p>It is recommended that the Board</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Approve the final draft of the 2011/12 Quality Account for publication 				
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RISK ASSESSMENT				Yes	No
Changes to the Corporate Risk Register and/or Board Assurance Framework					X
Resource Implications					X
Legal implications					X
ASSURANCE/COMPLIANCE					
CQC Registration Outcome(s)	Auditors' Local Evaluation		NHSLA Risk Management Standards for Ambulance Trusts		
All					

1. Purpose/Aim

- 1.1 The purpose of this paper is to:
- Report on the completion of the 2011-12 Quality Account
 - Present the final draft of the Quality Accounts

2. Context

- 2.1 The production of an annual Quality Account is mandatory for all organisations providing NHS funded care.
- 2.2 The content of the account includes a review of quality performance against the priorities in the 2010/11 Quality Account, and also the key priorities for quality improvement in 2012/13.

3. Background

- 3.1 The timetable for developing the 2011/12 Quality Account was approved by the Audit Committee in December 2012. The progress of the development of the Quality Account has been reported through SMG, TEG and the Trust Board.
- 3.2 The final draft reflects the feedback which has been received from the internal governance structure within YAS (SMG, TEG and the Board).
- 3.3 The Quality Account has been subject to the mandatory 30 working day consultation period with external stakeholders. Feedback from the LINKS and OSC's was in the main, very positive. Local LINKs and OSC's were supportive of the chosen priorities for 2012/13 and commended the progress made on the quality agenda through 2011/12.
- 3.4 The commissioners also praised the Quality Account and welcomed the priorities for 2012/13.
- 3.5 Feedback from the external stakeholders has been incorporated into the final version.

4. Progress to date.

- 4.1 The final draft of the Quality Account is attached.
- 4.2 The final draft has been subject to internal audit. The feedback was positive with a verbal report from internal audit that all the mandatory elements of the Quality Account have been met. A written report will be available in the near future.

5 Next steps

- 5.1 Subject to Board approval, the Quality Account 2011/12 will be published on both the YAS and the NHS choices website 30 June 2012
- 5.2 The final version will be designed and printed with a summary version being available from July 2012.
- 5.3 The Quality Account will be incorporated in to the Trust Annual Report 2011/12.

7 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 7.1 The Trust Board approve the Quality Accounts for publication.

8. ATTACHMENTS

I: Final draft Quality Accounts V5.

