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TITLE of PAPER		Employee Wellbeing Update			PAPER	REF	6.2	
STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE		Create, attract and retain an enhanced and skilled workforce to meet service needs now and in the future						
PURPOSE OF THE PAPER		To provide Trust Board with a progress update on the implementation of the Employee Wellbeing Strategy						
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RECOMMENDATION			Trust Board are recommended to take note of the progress so far					
RISK ASSESSMENT						Yes	No	
Corporate Risk Register and/or Board Assurance Framework amended If 'Yes' – expand in Section 4. / attached paper								
Resource Implications (Financial, Workforce, other - specify) If 'Yes' – expand in Section 2. / attached paper								
Legal implications/Regulatory requirements If 'Yes' – expand in Section 2. / attached paper								
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ASSURANCE/COMPLIANCE					
Care Quality Commission	5: Well led				
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Monitor Quality Governance Framework	3: Planning and driving continuous				
Choose a DOMAIN	improvement				
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PURPOSE/AIM

1.1 The aim of this paper is to provide Trust Board with a progress update on the implementation of the Employee Wellbeing Strategy.

2. BACKGROUND/CONTEXT

- 2.1 Employee wellbeing is now recognised as an integral part of good business practice. Innovative organisations have firmly established the association between promoting a culture of employee wellbeing and increasing performance/productivity. The Trust's Employee Wellbeing Strategy is a five-year strategy which outlines how the Trust will maintain and improve the wellbeing of our staff. It was launched in March 2015.
- 2.2 To underpin the strategy, an Employee Wellbeing Action Plan has been developed. The plan is based on priorities identified through Boorman's national NHS health and wellbeing review, the national public health agenda, supporting NICE guidance, as well as areas identified through the surveying of our staff and workforce information. The Employee Wellbeing Strategy and Plan focuses on a number of key themes:-
 - Occupational health
 - Physical wellbeing
 - Mental Heath & Emotional wellbeing
 - Organisational wellbeing & people management
 - Information/ promotion
 - Economic wellbeing

3. PROGRESS TO DATE

- 3.1 The Employee Wellbeing Group was established in November 2014. Members of the group are drawn from different parts of the organisation and has staff side representation. The group is overseeing the delivery of the Employee Wellbeing Action Plans.
- 3.2 Since the implementation of the Strategy in March 2015 the following actions/ initiatives have been completed:-
 - Development & communication of a calendar of wellbeing events
 - Development and implementation of policy on post exposure management (needlesticks etc.)

- Physical competency assessments in place for Yorkshire Air Ambulance, Ambulance Intervention Team and Special Operations and Resilience Team
- Workstation assessment and redesign project in 111
- Development of delivery and communication plan for 2015/6 Flu campaign
- 3.3 A number of other initiatives are nearing completion. Full details can be found at appendix 1 (Employee Mental Wellbeing) and Appendix 2 (Employee Physical Wellbeing). Appendix 3 shows future actions, that this stage have not been progressed due to cost, organisational or time constraints.

4. PROPOSALS/NEXT STEPS

4.1 Work will continue to deliver the action plan. Progress will be monitored by the Employee Wellbeing Group. Further actions have already been identified (See long term actions listed on action plans) and these will be prioritised for delivery.

5. RISK ASSESSMENT

5.1 The delivery of some actions are being hampered by the lack of an identified budget for health and wellbeing initiatives. Work is underway to cost some of the initiatives and to identify an appropriate budget.

6. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

6.1 The Trust Board It is recommended to note the progress to date, and feedback any comments/recommendations to the Employee Wellbeing Group.