

Integrated Joint Board

Date of Meeting: 24 August 2022

Title of Report: Clinical and Care Governance Annual report

Presented by: Sarah Compton Bishop

The IJB is asked to:

- Note the annual report

1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Clinical and Care Governance Committee met on four occasions within the financial year April 2021-March 2022 to undertake its supporting role for the Argyll & Bute Integration Joint Board.

2. INTRODUCTION

The Clinical and care Governance Committee undertakes the following responsibilities detailed in paragraph 5.8 of the Integration Scheme on behalf of the IJB:

- Mechanisms to measure quality, clinical and service effectiveness and sustainability. Compliance with statutory, legal and policy obligations strongly underpinned by human rights values and social justice.
- Service delivery will be evidence-based, underpinned by robust mechanisms to integrate professional education, research and development.
- Measure the quality of integrated service delivery by measuring delivery of personal outcomes and seeking feedback from service users and/or carers;
- Professional regulation and workforce development;
- Information governance
- Safety of integrated service delivery and personal outcomes and quality of registered services

3. DETAIL OF REPORT

3.1 The Clinical and Care Governance Committee met on the following dates and was quorate:

- 18 March 2021
- 10 June 2021
- 9 September 2021
- 24 February 2022

The committee seeks to deliver assurance to the IJB on the delivery of clinical and care services and communicate that assurance to partners. Minutes of the committee are presented at the Integration Joint Board and available in the public forum.

Reporting to the committee has included Quality and Patient Safety, Infection Control, reports by exception in areas the committee has asked for further scrutiny or risk review, inspections and preparation for inspection and localised reporting by exception.

It has also considered the impact of incoming national policy or clinical guidelines and any advice/recommendation or impact which requires to be given to the Integration Joint Board including the Independent Review of Adult Social Care.

The Committee has over the course of the year brought into review the membership of the committee and the wider clinical and care governance framework.

This review has sought to ensure a robust approach to clinical and care governance and a test of the statutory structures and their effectiveness and reporting through both partners and the board.

The process for Acute governance with NHS Highland is also being reviewed to support the sharing of information, reporting, best practice and ensure consistency in clinical approach. This was reconvened in December 2021 and activity postponed due to emergency response but has reconvened with a target date for completion by the end of the second quarter of 2022-23.

The IJB has delegated scrutiny of the performance report to the Clinical and Care Governance committee with a recommendation of action planning and update to the IJB as required.

4. RELEVANT DATA AND INDICATORS

Data and reports submitted to committee, performance reporting.

5. CONTRIBUTION TO STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

Delivers Strategic priorities and contribution to planning.

6. GOVERNANCE IMPLICATIONS

6.1 Financial Impact

None identified

6.2 Staff Governance

Development of systems/initiatives to support staff

6.3 Clinical and Care Governance

Oversight and scrutiny of the clinical and care governance framework and reporting by exception.

7. PROFESSIONAL ADVISORY

Maintains professional oversight through membership and response.

8. EQUALITY & DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS

Oversight of equalities practices in clinical and care settings

9. GENERAL DATA PROTECTION PRINCIPLES COMPLIANCE

The Committee is not held in public and any relevant learning from case assessment is not identifiable.

10. RISK ASSESSMENT

Committee assurance contributes to review and assessment of risk.

11. PUBLIC & USER INVOLVEMENT & ENGAGEMENT

None required for this report

12. CONCLUSIONS

The Clinical and Care Governance Committee has a function in gaining assurance on behalf of the IJB for the delivery of services. The Committee is continually reviewing and seeking the most effective way to gain this oversight across all services. It is noted that the deployment of the updated Clinical and care governance framework will support the committee to take a focussed approach to delivering this for the IJB but that this is a work in progress for the year 2022-23. We look forward to reporting to the IJB in May 2023 on the impact of this.

13. DIRECTIONS

Directions required to Council, NHS Board or both.	Directions to:	tick
	No Directions required	x
	Argyll & Bute Council	
	NHS Highland Health Board	
	Argyll & Bute Council and NHS Highland Health Board	

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