

## Board of Directors - Cover Sheet

### All reports **MUST** have a cover sheet

<b>Subject:</b>	Maternity Board Assurance Framework	<b>Date:</b> 3 March 2022								
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<b>Purpose</b>										
The purpose of this paper is to update Trust Board on our compliance with the national maternity board assurance framework.		<table border="1"> <tr> <td><b>Approval</b></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Assurance</b></td> <td><b>X</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Update</b></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Consider</b></td> <td></td> </tr> </table>	<b>Approval</b>		<b>Assurance</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>Update</b>		<b>Consider</b>	
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<b>Strategic Objectives</b>										
<b>To provide outstanding care</b>	<b>To promote and support health and wellbeing</b>	<b>To maximise the potential of our workforce</b>	<b>To continuously learn and improve</b>	<b>To achieve better value</b>						
x	X		x							
<b>Overall Level of Assurance</b>										
	<b>Significant</b>	<b>Sufficient</b>	<b>Limited</b>	<b>None</b>						
		x								
<b>Risks/Issues</b>										
<b>Financial</b>	x									
<b>Patient Impact</b>	X									
<b>Staff Impact</b>	X									
<b>Services</b>	X									
<b>Reputational</b>	X									
<b>Committees/groups where this item has been presented before</b>										
None										
<b>Executive Summary</b>										
<p>The Maternity Safety Self-assessment tool has been designed for NHS maternity services and private maternity providers to allow them to self-assess whether their operational service delivery meets national standards, guidance, and regulatory requirements. Organisations can use the tool to inform the trust's maternity quality improvement and safety plan and so keep the Trust Board and Commissioners aware of their current position.</p> <p>The tool has been developed in response to national review findings, and recommendations for good safety principles within maternity services. This version of the tool, version 6 July 2021, has been further influenced by the findings of the Ockenden review, 7 features of safety culture and the emerging themes from services on the safety support programme, the Kirkup Report (2015) and the areas CQC found to be outstanding in other maternity services across England.</p> <p>This version of the tool includes additions from the previous tool presented to Trust Board in February 2021, reflecting the increase in evidential requirements and subsequent additional actions from areas highlighted amber.</p> <p>The Board of Directors are asked to note the action plan with specific focus around strengthening the evidence for the Maternity Voice Partnerships (MVP) relationship and quality improvement approach.</p>										