

Appendix 2

Learning themes identified from
Trust Mortality Review – 2017/18

Specialty	Issue	Learning identified
Paediatrics	Resuscitation Equipment Resuscitation Skills Did Not Attends (DNAs)	Delays and complexity in having timely access to resus equipment has been a theme over time. Paediatric and newborn Resuscitation Trolleys have been designed and rolled out. A Resus Drug Chart has been developed and is due to be launched imminently. There had been a previous Morphine Never event and other difficult resuscitation issues that revealed team factors and a risk of mis-prescribing in high-stress resus situations. Simulation training has been introduced and recently appointed a Consultant and Practice Development Nurse to lead and embed a new style of learning Children not attending where there was already a safeguarding concern has led to an adjustment of the Trust cancellation Policy and the introduction of a Trust-wide 'was not brought' initiative
General Surgery	Abdominal Pathway	The new agreed Acute Abdominal pathway has been widely circulated and adhered to
Orthopaedics	Complex Orthopaedic Case	The complexity of this case necessitated multi-specialty, multi-disciplinary Structured Judgement Review. The logistics of facilitating such an event should not be underestimated, however the governance Support Unit will facilitate this at the earliest opportunity
Emergency Department	Inappropriate attendance at ED	10 deaths this quarter within the Emergency Department were reviewed and found to be expected, however it was clear that adequate care planning prior to attendance at the Department had not taken place. No advanced care planning was available either to EMAS or families to support decision-making. Often very traumatic for relatives.
General Learning Points/Themes	Ceilings of Care	A failure or reluctance to have timely and appropriate discussions around Ceilings of Care is a theme across a number of reviews. The implementation of the ReSPECT Tool will support the improvements required. The implementation of the ReSPECT Tool will be monitored through the Deteriorating Patient Group
	Responding to the Deteriorating Patient	Failure to respond to an escalating NEWS Score, early review by a senior doctor and acting on deteriorating blood results has featured in Mortality Reviews. In all cases of failure to escalate a 72 hour report is

		required for the Serious Incident Scoping meeting to determine the level of harm caused and the level of investigation required.
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