



Self-Certification Template

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NHS Foundation Trusts are required to make the following declarations to NHS Improvement:

- 1 & 2 *Systems for compliance with licence conditions - in accordance with General condition 6 of the NHS provider licence*
- 3 *Availability of resources and accompanying statement - in accordance with Continuity of Services condition 7 of the NHS provider licence*
- 4 *Corporate Governance Statement - in accordance with the Risk Assessment Framework*
- 5 *Certification on AHSCs and governance - in accordance with Appendix E of the Risk Assessment Framework*
- 6 *Certification on training of Governors - in accordance with s151(5) of the Health and Social Care Act*

Declarations 1 and 2 above are set out in a separate template, which is required to be returned to NHS Improvement by 31 May 2016.

Declaration 3 is included in the APR 2015/16 Final Financial Template, which is required to be returned to NHS Improvement per communications on final operational plan submissions.

Declarations 4, 5 and 6 above are set out in this template, which is required to be returned to NHS Improvement by 30 June 2016.

Templates should be returned via the Trust portal, marked as a Trust Return with the activity type set to Annual Plan Review.

How to use this template

- 1) Copy this file to your Local Network or Computer.
- 2) Select the name of your organisation from the drop-down box at the top of this worksheet.
- 3) In the Corporate Governance Statement and Other Certifications worksheets, enter responses and information into the yellow data-entry cells as appropriate.
- 4) Once the data has been entered, add signatures to the document, as described below.
- 5) Use the Save File button at the top of this worksheet to save the file to your Network or Computer - note that the name of the saved file is set automatically - please do not change this name.
- 6) Copy the saved file to your outbox in your NHS Improvement Portal.

Notes: *NHS Improvement will accept either:*

- 1) *electronic signatures inserted into this worksheet (save signature file locally and use 'Insert - Picture' from the toolbar/ribbon to do this) or*
- 2) *hand written signatures on a paper printout of this declaration posted to NHS Improvement to arrive by the submission deadline.*

In the event than an NHS foundation trust is unable to fully self certify, it should NOT select 'Confirmed' in the relevant box. It must provide commentary (using the section provided at the end of this declaration) explaining the reasons for the absence of a full self certification and the action it proposes to take to address it.