

Board of Directors Meeting in Public - Cover Sheet

Subject:	Research and Development Performance Q1/Q2 24-25 and Annual Strategy Update Report.		Date:	3 rd October 2024	
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Purpose					
To present the Research and Innovation Q1/Q2 24/25 Performance and annual strategy update report. Update and assurance on performance, strategic priorities, patient experience, and financial position.			Approval		
			Assurance	X	
			Update	X	
			Consider		
Strategic Objectives					
Provide outstanding care in the best place at the right time	Empower and support our people to be the best they can be	Improve health and wellbeing within our communities	Continuously learn and improve	Sustainable use of resources and estates	Work collaboratively with partners in the community
X	X	X	X	X	X
Principal Risk					
PR1	Significant deterioration in standards of safety and care				
PR2	Demand that overwhelms capacity				
PR3	Critical shortage of workforce capacity and capability				
PR4	Failure to achieve the Trust's financial strategy				
PR5	Inability to initiate and implement evidence-based Improvement and innovation				X
PR6	Working more closely with local health and care partners does not fully deliver the required benefits				X
PR7	Major disruptive incident				
PR8	Failure to deliver sustainable reductions in the Trust's impact on climate change				
Committees/groups where this item has been presented before					
None					
Acronyms					
ICB = Integrated Care Board ICS = Integrated Care System EMCRM= East Midlands Clinical Research Network CRN = Clinical Research Network NIHR= National Institute Clinical Research R&I=Research and Innovation IAOCR = International Accrediting Organisation for Clinical Research NTU = Nottingham Trent University NUH= Nottingham University Hospital's GCP= Good Clinical Practice CRO= Contract Research Organisation					

Executive Summary

Performance Metrics

- 1,372 participants recruited into research studies compared to 4,277 this time last year. 89 studies on the SFH portfolio. 4 are commercial, an increase on last year.
- Confirmed £441,181.66 EMRDN 6 months budget for 2024/25. Next 6 months to be confirmed in October.
- Commercial income Q1 and Q2 24/25 £90,730.28

Research Strategy update 22-27

1-Progress:

Objectives

- Collaboration with EMCRN & commercial sponsors to increase commercial research opportunities
- Streamline the set-up process for faster delivery.

planned actions.

- Develop a divisional research model to integrate research delivery and growth across all specialties.
- Jyothi Rajeswari- Research Director, to meet service directors and help to incorporate Research into clinical fellow job plans.
- Job description devised for a permanent clinical fellow to be based in R&I's CRF spring 2025.
- Increase PI engagement and promote the PI associate scheme across the trust.

Progress

- 100% of new studies opened
- Increase in commercial studies opened
- Year 2 bronze level accreditation standard achieved.
- New role funded by CRN; Commercial Research Link Nurse role secured.

2 Place

Objectives

- Open a new Clinical Research Facility at Kings Mill Hospital in 2024 for early-phase clinical trials of new drugs, devices, and diagnostics- New space identified.
- Host the Nottinghamshire Mobile Research Unit to deliver place-based research in our community- Hosted on-site in November 2023, plans to develop our own more accessible unit in the future to meet the priority guidelines, in providing Research into hard-to-reach communities.

planned actions

- Open a new Clinical Research Facility at Kings Mill Hospital in 2025 for early-phase clinical trials of new drugs, devices, and diagnostics- New space identified.
- Secure SFH own mobile research unit to deliver research across primary care settings and hard-to-reach communities.

Progress

- Significant delays with CRF- building work to commence Dec 24
- Mobile research unit hosted Nov 23
- SFH own Mobile Research Unit supplier confirmed. Finance and Trust permissions in place.

3-People:

Objectives

- Further develop the role of the Research Academy and research opportunities for SFH staff.
- Investment in our management workforce to ensure a sustainable future for research and future developments. Study support Manager post commenced in October 2023. Lead Clinical Academic Research NMAHP post commenced January 2024. Providing leadership for nurse, midwifery, and allied health professional-led research and the academic education agenda across the Trust.

planned actions.

- Further develop the role of the Research Academy and research opportunities for SFH staff, including options for academic staff-led projects.
- Create a post for a NED to actively be present at board meetings and governance meetings.

Progress

- Training lead post in place, qualified GCP trainer
- Lead Academic Research NMAHP now in post from January 2024.
- 4 academy students enrolled in the last 12 months.
- Study support Manager commenced in post-October 23.
- JD created for NED and approved by chair

4-Partnerships

Objectives

- Increase our academic and industry partnerships to maximise mutual benefits from collaboration. Evolve joint working with primary care- secured funding for SFH/primary care research link post.

planned actions.

- Increase our academic and industry partnerships to maximise mutual benefits from collaboration. Evolve joint working with primary care.

Progress

- Access to select platforms to showcase our capabilities.
- Membership of the Global Advisory Board for GSCA IAOCR
- Joint Primary care commercial link nurse developing new relationships and interest from commercial sponsors.