

Borders NHS Board**CHAIR AND NON EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS REPORT****Aim**

To update the Board on the recent activities undertaken by the Non Executive Directors.

Committee Meetings and Events: The following committee meetings and events have taken place.

16 May	Official Opening of Margaret Kerr Unit
21 May	Endowment Fund Board of Trustees
27 May	Audit Committee
5 June	Clinical Governance Committee
6 June	Strategy & Performance Committee
6 June	Board Development & Strategy Session
17 June	Audit Committee
24 June	Health & Social Care Pathfinder Board
24 June	Community Health & Care Partnership Board

John Raine: NHS Scotland Chairs meetings and Chairs meetings with the Cabinet Secretary on 2nd May and 10th June have covered a wide range of issues primarily concerned with performance against HEAT targets and including discussion around A&E performance; TTG performance and unavailability issues; cancer waiting times and sickness absence rates.

Boarding, representing “sub optimal care” has been discussed along with the role of Chairs in taking forward and reviewing performance in respect of hospital standardised mortality ratios.

The 2020 Workforce Vision, subsequently launched at the NHS Scotland conference, has been commended and needs to be spread across NHS organisations.

Chronic pain services have moved up the agenda all Boards said to have indicated their support to progress improvement work by implementing the Scottish Service Model. Scottish government is committed to accelerate progress to deliver the improvement programme. Work is underway to include improvement plans for chronic pain services into Board local service delivery plans for 2014 and for progress to be monitored through the annual review process. Cabinet Secretary has set out a commitment to establish residential specialist intensive pain management services in Scotland. Boards were asked to provide an update on plans to implement the Scottish service model, identify barriers and seek solutions to ensure progress.

A meeting of Board Chairs, and representatives of Scottish Government and Chief Executives, held on 13th May, committed to the concept of working jointly as a so-called “guiding coalition” to further the government 2020 vision for achieving high quality patient centred health services.

Meetings/Events include:

- 1 May WRVS open day
- 7 May Veterans Scotland event
- 8 May Premier/IHI visit
- 13 May Chairs national meetings
- 14/15/21 Interviews for non-executive director posts
- 16 May Opening of Margaret Kerr Unit by Duke of Gloucester
- 17 May Police, Fire and Rescue and Community Safety Board
- 24 May MP/MEP meeting
- 29 May Reducing Health Inequalities Seminar
- 30 May NHS Borders presentation to Scottish Borders Council
- 10 June Chairs national meetings
- 11 June NHS Scotland Conference
- 13 June Borders Patient Action Group meeting
- 14 June Presentation to Carers Voice event

David Davidson: 16th May MK Opening; 22nd May Aberdeen University Session at Royal College of Physicians in Edinburgh on Governance for Chairs, Chief Executives and Audit Chairs. This was a discussion around research carried out across UK Public Sector Organisations on Governance, the role of Chairs and Chairs of Audit on Board Governance and the interface between Chairs and Chief Executives in Governance and appointment and dismissal of Chief Executives. The discussion also covered the role of Non Executive Directors, their purpose and support for them including Induction. A point missed in the research. It was very English based where in Health different systems are in place; 23rd May Chaired Resilience Committee; 27th May Private meetings with Internal and External Auditors; 30th Lecture by Erica Reid on care in the Community; 7th June Session conducted by Prof John Bolton at SBC on Integration and Rebalancing Care. Interesting examples of good and poor practice; 18th June Workshop at Borders College.

Adrian Lucas: I have been asked by HIS to attend a series of meetings regarding the role of the Non-Executive regarding the Reporting of Adverse incidents. There are four groups (of which I am on one) reporting into programme board. The first interim report is due in December. I will be attending a series of meetings at the Gyle, the first of which took place on Wed 30th May. I will endeavour to keep the Board and the DONM up to date with the programme that followed an enquiry into the miss handling of such incidents in NHS Ayrshire & Arran.

Recommendation

The Board is asked to **note** the report.

Policy/Strategy Implications	Not Applicable.
Consultation	Not Applicable.
Consultation with Professional Committees	Not Applicable.

Risk Assessment	Not Applicable.
Compliance with Board Policy requirements on Equality and Diversity	Compliant
Resource/Staffing Implications	Not Applicable.

Approved by

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