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Name of Reporting Committee	Clinical and Care Governance Committee
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Committee Chairperson	Ms Susan Brimelow

Paper Title: Update on Key Items of Discussion at Governance Committee

Recommendation:

That the Board note the key items of discussion at the recent meeting of the Clinical and Care Governance Committee as set out below.

Key Items of Discussion:

1. ITU at Inverclyde Royal Hospital (IRH)

Dr Jennifer Armstrong, Medical Director, Mr Jonathan Best, Chief Operating Officer, Ms Marie Farrell, Sector Director Clyde, and Dr Brian Digby, Deputy Chief of Medicine Clyde, provided an update to the Committee on the change made to the clinical pathway in Inverclyde to improve quality of care and patient safety by ensuring the IRH population were able to access highly specialised multidisciplinary intensive care at the QEUH when required. The Committee was assured that there would be no changes to the critical care beds or staffing at IRH and that most critical care patients would continue to be treated there, despite concerns that had been raised locally and in the media. The Committee acknowledged the opportunity to improve communication with the local community and noted that work was underway to enhance this in future.

2. COVID-19

Dr Jennifer Armstrong, Medical Director, and Mr Jonathan Best, Chief Operating Officer, provided the Committee with an update on the current position of COVID-19 and its impact in NHSGGC hospitals. The Committee welcomed the update and were reassured by the work that was underway.

3. Inspection of Intermediate Assessment Unit at QEUH

Dr Jennifer Armstrong, Medical Director, Dr Lyndsay Donaldson, Director of Medical Education, and Ms Frances McLinden, Director South Sector, provided the Committee with an update on the work that had been undertaken to improve quality and safety at the Intermediate Assessment Unit at the QEUH following Healthcare Improvement Scotland's recommendations. The Committee were reassured by the actions taken and noted the GMC had confirmed that they were content following a revisit in February 2020. The Committee commended this report as good evidence of transformational change.

4. Patient Experience Report

Dr Margaret McGuire, Director of Nursing, presented the quarterly Patient Experience Report. The Committee were content to note the report and were assured that changes would be made to the reporting format to reflect the comments previously made that the focus for future reports to the Clinical and Care Governance Committee should be on qualitative data and improvements.

5. Extract from Corporate Risk Register

Mr Andy Crawford, Head of Clinical Governance, presented the extract from the Corporate Risk Register. He advised that there had been no substantive changes made to this since the Committee last met as there had been a shorter time between meetings. This would be updated following the Board Clinical Governance Forum meeting on 26th October 2020 and brought back to the next meeting of the Clinical and Care Governance Committee.

6. Health and Care (Staffing) (Scotland) Act 2019 Update

Ms Sandra Blades, Lead Nurse for Professional Governance & Regulation, presented an update to the Committee on the current work being undertaken in preparation for the Health and Care (Staffing) (Scotland) Act 2019. The Committee noted that this work had been paused nationally due to COVID-19 and was now due to be implemented in March 2021. The Committee were assured by the work underway in NHSGGC to ensure that the obligations under the Act were met.

7. Public Protection Update

Ms Donna Hunter, updated the Committee on Public Protection governance and the work underway to bring together Child Protection and Adult Support and Protection into a single Public Protection Service. The Committee noted the

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ongoing work to streamline the reporting systems by bring together child and adult protection.