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| Committee Chairperson: | Mrs Audrey Thompson |

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 Area Clinical Forum Meeting of 8 April 2021 as set out below.

Key Items of Discussion

COVID-19 and the Vaccination Programme

Mr Jonathan Best, Chief Operating Officer provided an update on the current position in respect of COVID-19 in the Acute Sector. He advised that there had been pressure on all Acute sites across NHSGGC throughout the pandemic, however noted that the number of COVID-19 cases had slowly reduced. Mr Best provided an update in relation to Intensive Care and High Dependency Unit figures to date and noted that there had been a reduction in staffing levels due to the Easter break. He explained that there would be further remobilisation of theatres from 12 April 2021 and highlighted clinical prioritisation for elective surgery within the Remobilisation Plan.

Dr Linda de Caestecker, Director of Public Health reported that the rate of COVID-19 infection had reduced and provided an update regarding data from NHSGGC. She explained the cohorts who had received the first dose of the vaccine and noted that 500,000 doses had been administered within NHSGGC which included Health Social Care Partnerships (HSCP's) and the workforce. Additionally, she reported that by mid April 2021 cohort 9 and unpaid carers would have received their first dose of the vaccine. Dr de

Caestecker noted that there remained an issue with supply of the vaccine and schedules would adjust in line with supply. Furthermore, she reported that the Moderna vaccine had been rolled out and there were now three approved COVID-19 vaccines in use within NHSGGC.

Ms Anne Harkness, Director related to COVID-19 Vaccination Centres provided an update in respect of the Oxford AstraZeneca vaccine and blood clots related to under 30 year olds. She noted that NHS Inform would issue a leaflet regarding the risks and NHSGGC would work with national colleagues to rebook 18 to 29 year old vaccination appointments to provide an alternative vaccine. The Area Clinical Forum were content to note the update provided and were assured by the information provided.

QEUH /RHC Case note Review and Oversight Reports Action Plan

Ms Jane Grant, Chief Executive provided a presentation regarding the published reports from QEUH / RHC Casenote Review and Oversight Board. She outlined the key points, key findings, recommendations and next steps from the reports. The Area Clinical Forum were content to note the presentation and were assured by the regular updates that would be provided by Ms Grant regarding progress.

Care home Update

Dr Margaret McGuire, Nurse Director provided an update on the current work related to care home activity. She outlined the key areas within care homes including the Care Homes Vaccination Programme; COVID-19 Testing; visiting; assurance and governance and professional leadership. Dr McGuire explained the timescale for first and second doses of the COVID-19 vaccine within care homes and highlighted that the Care Home Vaccination Programme was a credit to staff and residents. She reiterated a special thanks to the HSCP and Acute staff for their continued hard work. Dr McGuire provided an overview of the development of the Care Home Hub model across NHSGGC. She explained there would be two hubs, one in Glasgow City and one for the 5 remaining HSCP's to provide a comprehensive, cohesive and high quality approach to supporting care homes. The Area Clinical Forum were content to note the huge amount of work that continued with care homes and were assured by the update.

COVID-19 Pandemic - NMAHP Guiding Principles

Ms Angela O'Neill, Deputy Nurse Director (Acute) provided a summary of the updated guiding principles for Nursing, Midwifery and Allied Health Professionals. She reported that feedback was gathered from staff to provide an appropriate update Board wide across NHSGGC. Ms O'Neill highlighted that the document was supportive towards staff in recognition of additional pressures and work out with normal practices. She outlined eight guiding principles and explained the key areas including, family, communication, prospering, safe working principles and to look after yourself and others. The Area Clinical Forum welcomed the update and were assured by the information provided.

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