

Trust Board Meeting: Thursday 6 September 2012  
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Title	Self-Certification
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Status	For information
History	Board Paper 5 July

Board Lead(s)	Mr Andrew Stevens, Director of Planning and Information			
Key purpose	Strategy	Assurance	Policy	Performance

**Summary**

Summary of key points and decision required (if any) to be included here. A table form as below can be used or simple paragraphs.

1	The Trust's first NHS Trust Oversight Self-Certification return, submitted in August, is attached.
2	This reflects a fairly positive current position although with a number of potential risks.
3	The Board is asked to agree the current content of the template.

## NHS Trust Oversight Self-Certification

### Introduction

1. NHS South of England has confirmed the final format of the self-certification template which is to be completed on a monthly basis by all applicant FTs as part of the requirements of the Single Operating Model for their assessment. This template has been developed with input from Monitor and is based on work by NHS Midlands and East.
2. The date of the first formal submission of this return was confirmed as August 2012 and the version attached is that which was submitted on 28 August based on data up to and including July.

### Current Status

3. The Trust's Governance Risk Rating (GRR) scores 1.5 for July which gives an Amber/Green rating. (Lower GRR scores represent lower risk). Factors contributing to this score are non-compliance with access requirements for patients with learning disabilities and non-delivery of the Emergency Department four hour wait standard. Action plans have been developed to address both issues, with action on the former to be completed in December and performance on the latter improving in August.
4. It should be noted that the July GRR figure currently excludes data on cancer targets which is not yet available. Additional time is required each month to finalise cancer breaches shared with other trusts.
5. Risks to the GRR figure are posed by data quality issues that prevent the Trust submitting current data for the incomplete RTT measure and the fact that the number of Clostridium Difficile cases currently remains above trajectory.
6. The Trust's Financial Risk Rating currently scores 3 which gives a Green RAG rating. (FRR scale is 1 to 5 with higher scores representing lower risk).
7. The Quality Sheet includes some indicators which are not regularly collected or reported by the Trust. The Trust has been in contact with the SHA regarding the submission of alternative measures in relation to these areas.

### Conclusion

8. The current return reflects a fairly positive position although with some risks which the Board should be aware of.

### Recommendations

9. The Board is asked to **agree** that the self-certification be signed for July 2012.

Andrew Stevens

Director of Planning and Information

24 August 2012