

NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde	Paper No. 25/50
Paper Title	Standing Committee Chairs Board Report
Meeting:	NHSGGC Board Meeting
Date of Meeting:	29 April 2025
Purpose of Paper:	For Assurance
Classification:	Board Official
Name of Reporting Committee:	Clinical and Care Governance Committee
Date of Reporting Committee:	4 March 2025
Committee Chairperson:	Dr Paul Ryan

1. Purpose of Paper:

The purpose of this paper is to inform the NHS Board on key items of discussion at the Clinical and Care Governance Committee.

2. Recommendation:

The Board is asked to note the key items of discussion at the recent meeting of the Clinical and Care Governance Committee on Tuesday 4 March 2025 as set out below and seek further assurance as required.

3. Key Items of Discussion

3.1 Acute Services Clinical Governance Update

- The paper was presented to the Committee for assurance.
- The Committee were provided with an update on progress and activity within the Acute Services Division during 2024-25. The Committee were informed of the work of the Acute Services Clinical Governance Forum which continued to meet monthly to support the cross-system delivery of consistent high quality clinical care and provide assurance that appropriate clinical governance mechanisms were in place. A number of examples of ongoing work priorities, successes and improvements and issues affecting the Division were also highlighted including

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the current position on SAERS; quality of care reviews; and improving the quality of inpatient diabetes care.

- The Committee were assured by the update.

3.2 Primary Care Clinical Governance Update

- The paper was presented to the Committee for assurance.
- The Committee were provided with an update on progress and activity within primary care including some examples of ongoing work priorities, as well as updates on issues previously reported to the Committee including the current position on Significant Adverse Event Reviews, the updated guidance on Topiramate and an update on the Children at Risk of Harm Inspection Report in Renfrewshire HSCP published in October 2024. The Committee were advised that the Primary Care and Community Clinical Governance Forum continued to meet bi-monthly monitoring the quality of clinical care, providing support and strategic oversight.
- The Committee were assured by the update.

3.3 Young Persons' Gender Service Status Update

- The paper was presented to the Committee for assurance.
- The Committee received an update on the national work underway following the Scottish Government's acceptance of the findings in the Cass Report in July 2024 including actions and next steps regarding service management, governance and development.
- The Committee were assured by the update.

3.4 "Leading the Way" – NHSGGC Nursing and Midwifery Strategy 2024-29

- The paper was presented to the Committee for approval.
- The Committee were presented with the NHSGGC Nursing and Midwifery Strategy entitled 'Leading the Way' and received an overview of the core components of the Strategy including the vision and aims, the strategic priorities and deliverables and the implementation plan and governance structure. A summary of the approach to engagement undertaken with patients, carers, and staff was also provided.
- The Committee were content to approve the Strategy.

3.5 Assurance Information Framework KPIs - Safety and Quality Programmes

- The paper was presented to the Committee for assurance.
- The Committee received an update on the Safety and Quality Programme Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) aligned to the Committee including details on the rate of inpatient falls, hospital acquired pressure ulcers and the rate of cardiac arrests as well as an update on the Improvement Programmes aligned to these areas.
- The Committee were assured by the update.

3.7 Patient Experience Report – Quarter 3

- The paper was presented to the Committee for assurance.

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- The Committee were advised that there had been a slight improvement in the overall performance in the number of complaints responded to within 20 working days, during the reporting period and there had be a trend of more complex complaints being received. The Committee were advised that progress continued on digital clinical notes and person-centred care plan; What Matters to You day; person-centred care standards and measures; and the Board Patient Story.
- The Committee were assured by the update.

3.8 Healthcare Associated Infection Reporting Template (HAIRT)

- The paper was presented to the Committee for assurance.
- The Committee were advised that there were no exceptions to report. As reported at the previous Committee, there had been a national increase in C-Diff rates last year, this had now decreased but continued to be monitored with local actions implemented in any areas with higher-than-expected numbers.. The Committee were informed that there had been an increase in influenza and norovirus cases over the winter period and these had been managed appropriately.
- The Committee were assured by the paper.

3.9 Proposal for an Updated Approach to Managing Significant Adverse Events (SAEs) in NHSGGC

- The paper was presented to the Committee for approval.
- The Committee were presented with a proposal for an updated approach to managing Significant Adverse Events (SAEs) in NHSGGC for consideration and endorsement, prior to full Board approval. This approach would enhance the quality and timeliness of adverse event investigations in NHSGGC and help to streamline resources, speeding up the process of investigation and feedback to patients and families as well as learning for the organisation.
- The Committee were content to approve the proposal.

3.10 Healthcare Improvement Scotland (HIS) – Update on Unannounced Safe Delivery of Care Inspections

- The paper was presented to the Committee for assurance.
- The Committee received a comprehensive update on the three unannounced Healthcare Improvement Scotland (HIS) inspections conducted across NHSGGC Acute Sites during 2024. The Committee were advised that following each inspection, an improvement action plan was developed which was submitted to HIS. These action plans had been implemented and progress was being made in addressing the identified requirements and recommendations. The Committee were informed that the majority of requirements were fully completed with the remainder on track for completion within the stipulated timelines.
- The Committee were assured by the update.

3.11 Department of Research and Innovation Annual Report 2024

- The paper was presented to the Committee for assurance.

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- The Committee were advised of the key achievements in research and innovation activity in 2024 as well as the key priority areas for 2025 including the ongoing efforts to address challenges and maximise opportunities within research and innovation in NHSGGC.
- The Committee were assured by the update.

3.12 Infection Prevention and Control Annual Report 2023/24

- The paper was presented to the Committee for assurance.
- The Committee were informed that the annual report presented a summary of the work programme, outcomes and impacts for infection prevention and control (IPC) across the organisation for the period from 1 April 2023 until 31 March 2024. It described the overall work programme as well as detailing some of the areas of improvement, success and where challenges remained.
- The Committee were assured by the update.

3.13 Acute Services Committee Governance Approach

- The paper was presented to the Committee for approval.
- The Committee were advised that additional focus around Equalities, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI) had been identified as an area requiring development by NHSGGC and following a review of the Standing Committee structure it had been proposed to discontinue the Acute Services Committee and migrating its responsibilities to the Finance, Planning and Performance Committee (FPPC), the Clinical and Care Governance Committee (CCCG) and the Staff Governance Committee (SGC).
- The Committee were content to approve the proposal.

3.15 Extract from the Corporate Risk Register

- The paper was presented to the Committee for approval.
- The Committee were advised that all risks had been reviewed with no proposed changes to scores.
- The Committee were content to approve the register.

3.16 Annual Cycle of Business

- The paper was presented to the Committee for approval.
- The Committee were content to approve the cycle of business.

4. Issues for referral to other Standing Committees or escalation to the NHS Board

There were no issues for referral to other Standing Committees or escalation to the NHS Board.

5. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Committee will take place on Tuesday 3 June 2025.