

WOLVERHAMPTON CCG

Governing Body
Tuesday 12 November 2019

Agenda item 9

Title of Report:	Emergency Preparedness, Resilience and Response (EPRR)
Report of:	Mike Hastings, Accountable Emergency Officer (AEO) & Senior Responsible Officer (SRO)
Contact:	Tally Kalea, Commissioning Operations Manager (COM)
Action Required:	<input type="checkbox"/> Decision <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Assurance
Purpose of Report:	The purpose of the report is to assure the Governing Body on the EPRR and EU Exit status in WCCG. The CCG is currently meeting all requirements for EPRR for both local and regional assurance.
Public or Private:	Public
Relevance to CCG Priority:	Planning
Relevance to Board Assurance Framework (BAF):	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Domain 1: A Well Led Organisation 	The CCG is both resilient and compliant in line with statutory and regulatory requirements
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Domain 4: Planning (Long Term and Short Term) 	The CCG has a suite of plans in place to enable it to respond to a full range of incidents, both internal and external.

BACKGROUND AND CURRENT SITUATION

- 1.1. Whilst the NHS England EPRR Framework specifically details roles and responsibilities. Wolverhampton CCG (WCCG) also has a requirement to be compliant with the NHS England EPRR Core Standards and submit an annual self-assessment to NHS England.
- 1.2. The Core Standards submission requirement was met for WCCG and a rating of 'Substantially compliant' has been approved by NHSE. A copy of the submission can be found in the Appendices (Appendix 1)
- 1.3. WCCG also has a duty to prepare for the pending EU Exit. Following guidance from the EU Exit national team, sit reps weekly were asked to be submitted in late spring detailing the organisations preparedness. WCCG had no issues reported back.

1. MAIN BODY OF REPORT

- 1.1. Wolverhampton CCG has worked closely with local Providers on 'No-Deal' Scenario and sought assurances within primary care should there be a no deal exit. Further details can be found in the Appendices (Appendix 2).
- 1.2. In line with ongoing planning and reporting mechanisms a work plan for the year has been agreed and will be carried out over the next twelve months. (Appendix 3)
- 1.3. The organisations EU Exit Senior Responsible officer (SRO) has regularly attended Regional conferences and webinars. Information has been filtered down to the Operational Task Team and wider communications have been sent out where necessary.
- 1.4. WCCG continues to update all plans in accordance with the national guidance received from NHSE and the EU Exit team; these include robust Business Continuity Plans, Major Incident Response Plans and Departmental Service Level Plans. The robustness of these plans was tested during the 2019 summer heatwave.
- 1.5. WCCG has also sought regular assurance from the Local Authority and the Trust to ensure local plans are in place within their relevant organisations in preparedness for EU Exit. Further meetings will take place in the build up to 31st October 2019.



2. RISKS AND IMPLICATIONS

Key Risks

- 2.1. At present WCCG is well placed in terms of its level of preparedness and planning and continues to make progress in this area.
- 2.2. Failure to progress however, would leave WCCG exposed both in terms of compliance and also in its key role in managing the local health economy as the commissioning organisation, and in extremis, as the tactical tier for supporting NHS England in a major incident environment.

Financial and Resource Implications

- 2.3. The Business Continuity process will confirm the critical areas of WCCG business and ensure that such activities are able to continue, despite and throughout any disruption or incident.

Quality and Safety Implications

- 2.4. Based on the 2018/19 EPRR Core standards self-assessment WCCG maintains its “substantially compliant” assessment and has identified the areas for progression in the work programme to be presented at the November 2019 Governing Body Meeting.

Legal and Policy Implications

- 2.5. Whilst WCCG remains well placed in terms of both regulatory and statutory requirements the continued development of EPRR needs to be maintained to ensure on-going preparedness and compliance.



3. RECOMMENDATIONS

- That the Governing Body **Receive** and **Note** the contents of this report

Name: Tally Kalea
Job Title: Commissioning Operations Manager
Date: 29th October 2019

ATTACHED:

EPRR Core Standards (Appendix 1)

Detailed EU Exit Assurance (Appendix 2)

EPRR Timeline/Workplan 19/20 (Appendix 3)



REPORT SIGN-OFF CHECKLIST

This section must be completed before the report is submitted to the Admin team. If any of these steps are not applicable please indicate, do not leave blank.

	Details/ Name	Date
Clinical View	N/A	
Public/ Patient View	N/A	
Finance Implications discussed with Finance Team	N/A	
Quality Implications discussed with Quality and Risk Team	N/A	
Medicines Management Implications discussed with Medicines Management team	N/A	
Equality Implications discussed with CSU Equality and Inclusion Service	N/A	
Information Governance implications discussed with IG Support Officer	N/A	
Legal/ Policy implications discussed with Corporate Operations Manager	N/A	
Signed off by Report Owner (Must be completed)	T Kalea	01/10/2019

