## **Health Scrutiny Panel**

Thursday 7 April 2016

Report title Pressure ulcer report- modified from The Royal

Wolverhampton NHS Trust patient safety report

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DATE PREPARED	5/3/16												
SUBJECT/Title of	Pressure ulcer and tissue viability update												
Report													
PURPOSE/SUMMARY	To provide assurance of pressure ulcer prevention and prevention of chronic wounds strategy												
ACTION REQUIRED	Strategy						x						
OF	Decision	Approval		Receive for Information Receive for									
GROUP/COMMITTEE		''	Assurance										
STRATEGIC	To achieve no avoidable pressure ulcer and prevent hospital admission for chronic												
OBJECTIVE	wounds												
OVERVIEW OF	CQC STANE	DARDS				CLINICAL							
ASSURANCE THEMES						OUTCOMES							
HIGHLIGHTED IN THE	NHSLA					CLINICAL	x						
REPORT						EFFECTIVENESS							
	REGULATO	RY STANDARDS				RISK REGISTERS							
						(BAF/TRR/Ops RR)							
	BEST PRACTICE & SHARED LEARNING x POLICY												
	EXTERNAL REVIEWS/NATIONAL AUDITS X KPI (add PI measure in												
	section 1)												
	INTERNAL REVIEWS Other												
	issues/Report areas												

 Executive Summary (summarise/add context to issues/report items below including clinical implications/outcomes, resources required, any proposed risks for escalation, positive/negative impact of assurance given detail below eg CQC, NHSLA, HSE, MHRA, other)

#### **Pressure ulcers**

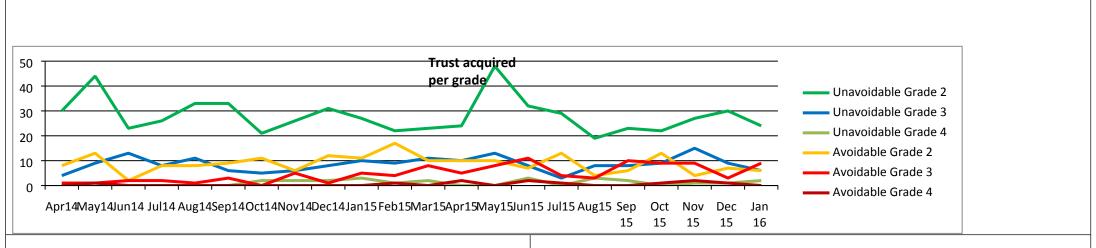
- The total incidents have seen a slight reduction since October 2015, including a reduction of avoidable acquired incidents
- The Trust has not achieved zero number of avoidable incidents, with common themes of gaps in documentation, particularly repositioning charts, holistic assessment and advice issued to patients.
- Each May there has been an increase of incidents, the reason is unknown. One possibility is climate change.
- The Trust is experiencing a high level of Trust inherited incidents (Patient not currently actively care for a RWT service), this may be Wolverhampton residents, or residents from other areas.
- There has been a particular rise in cast related incident's, trauma and orthopaedics are examining competency development of medical staff applying casts in theatre.
- Neonates department have experienced a couple of unavoidable incidents whereby the NIV mask seal is so intense, it causes pressure ulceration on babies born 24 weeks premature. Nationally, others areas using the same NIV system have reported higher rates than RWT and the company is working with these units to find solutions, without compromising the efficiency of the NIV as neonates are surviving at a younger age with this device.
- The rate per occupied bed days has seen a reduction on last year but not 2013/14.
   Many non-device related incidents reported by inpatients, have resulted in a new reported grade ie: from grade 3 inherited to grade 4 acquired once the wound has debrided and exposed the true depth of the wound
- The CCG have launched a health economy pressure ulcer steering group, first meeting was, 25<sup>TH</sup> February 2016
- The Trust has written a Tissue Viability Strategy, which currently out for comments to senior nurses, and will be sent to CCG, Public health and other relevant leaders.
- New pressure ulcer related documents have been checked by the Tissue Viability steering group, and now await approval at the documentation group. The documents have reduced based on lessons learnt from incidents. Neonate documents require additional work.
- CCG have confirmed tendering processes have commenced for the community equipment service, but will not be completed by 1<sup>st</sup> July 2016, therefore ILS contract will be extended. ILS compliance with delivering equipment has improved.
- Heel devices are still a challenge. The dynatek boots are not suitable for many types of patients. Podiatry are starting a cast service for patients living with diabetes.

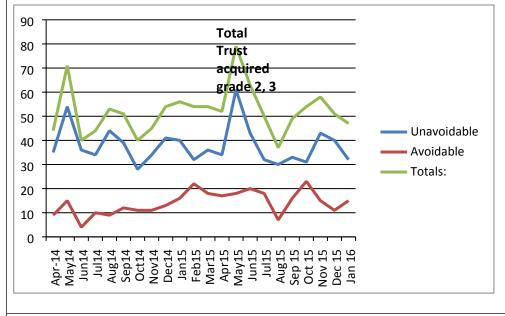
Birmingham community have used these, along with a selection of 4 other devices and have not reported a community acquired grade 3 or 4 for many months. Tissue Viability has requested heels devices as part of the tender for a community equipment service.

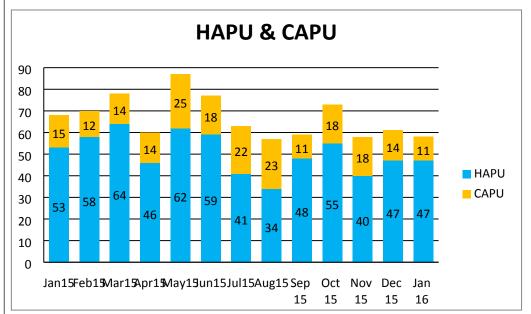
- CCG have sent a letter confirming they will not accept individual funding requests for TOTO's from April 16. Contracting team informed, CCG have recommended a business case, which may delay access to equipment from 1<sup>st</sup> April. Contracting team negotiating an interim arrangement until a business case is approved.
- A TOTO is now in use within the medical directorate, as well as a number of homes within the community with positive healing outcomes.
- Wound formulary has been deled due to NHS supply chain framework being updated.
   Formulary process can restart July 2016.
- Patients with no nursing needs but at risk of pressure ulcers are discharged from Adult community services

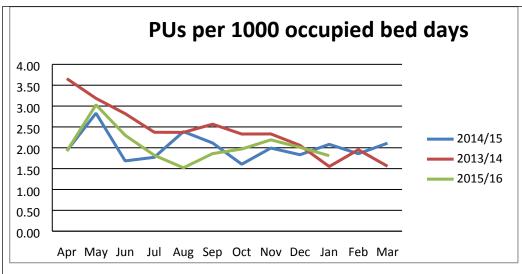
#### **Recommendations for action**

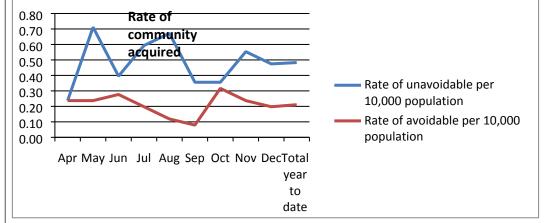
- Health and social care pressure ulcer prevention strategy, including education of relevant social care staff, residential homes and media support for the public, to prevent all types of avoidable pressure ulcers.- CCG leading the steering group
- Standardise equipment specifications in all residential and nursing care homes.
- Business case to support the use of TOTO's to minimise increase of care packages or transfer to 24 hour care.
- CCG ton consider a service to support patients at risk and regular monitoring- part of Health and social care steering group and TV strategy recommendations.
- Review of all heel devices and tender for Community equipment provision
- Patients with long term conditions to be made aware of risks at early stages of diagnosis.
- All care services to be aware of correct continence management and skin care to prevent moisture lesions, which increase risk of pressure ulceration
- Contracture prevention pathway

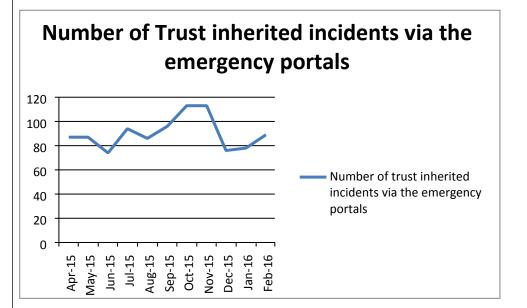


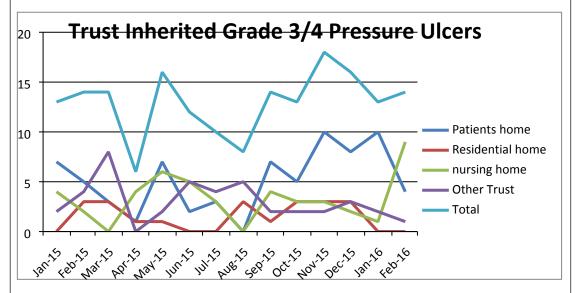












# 2. Indicator/standard monitoring undertaken e.g. from national audit/national guidance/legislation etc. (Each group/author to add own key for RAG status below):

Assurance Theme	Indicator/Standard/ Question.	Target	R	Α	G	Prev Rep	This Rep	Commentary
Best practice	To achieve no avoidable pressure	<mark>100%</mark>						Refer to TV strategy and peer review action plan
and shared	ulcers							
learning/								
external								
review								
Clinical	Cost effective wound formulary	<mark>NA</mark>						Task group working on systems/ products to gain the best benefits for RWT
effectiveness								and CCG.

3. Emerging issues/themes (summarise issues or information which is impacting on the area/compliance) refer to pressure ulcer peer review action plan

Assurance Theme	Specific Item Reviewed (Data	Information you have used to make the judgement of assurance (inc independent assurance – indicate timeliness by completing next column)			Emerging Issue/Outcome and any on-going risk (So what factor)	Action required	Lead	Action due date
Best practice and shared learning/ external review	Datix data, safety thermometer, per 1000 bed days data	Divisions have overarching comprehensive action plans. Wards/ services produce a lessons learnt board	Regative  Gaps with repositioning/ holistic assessment- common theme for avoidable outcome.	3	Omissions in documentation N	Refer to peer review action plan	Refer to peer review action plan	Refer to peer review action plan
Clinical effectiveness	Wound formulary	Product Procurement are sending out and quality/ cost analysis working on benefits in line with carter report		2		Agree and launch a formulary	L Jones	Sept 16

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	source)	Positive	Negative						

Any independent assurance provided in the above table is time limited – please indicate (x) the overall level of independent assurance based on descriptions below (where applicable in the IA\* column above).

If you have included any independent assurance in the above – it is important to be clear in terms of the reliance the Trust can place on it – identify using the table below.

3 ***	Recent (less than one year old) independent assurance.
2 **	Less Recent (more than one less than two years old) independent assurance.
1 *	Historical (more than two years old) independent assurance.

### 4. Risk identified (new or existing risks identified from report issues):

Risk register 2952- The risk of patients developing a pressure ulcer due to inadequacies of pressure ulcer prevention equipment currently available.

Key Risks being addressed:	Datix No	Risk level BAF/TRR/ Ops (Div/Dir)	Previously reported risk rating	Current Risk Rating (C x L) categorisation matrix	Target grade (date to be achieved by)
Review of independent living service	Risk register 2952	corporate	amber	yellow	Await outcome from CCG