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Health and Adult Social Care Overview and Scrutiny Committee

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Medway NHS Foundation Trust – Patient Safety Incident Investigations/ Ear Nose and Throat Services Update

Report from: Kent and Medway Mental Health NHS Trust

Summary

This report provides an update on patient safety incident investigations at Medway Foundation Trust, set out at Appendix 1 to the report. Additionally, an update report is provided on the Ear Nose and Throat Service and the outcome of the investigation into the backlog of referrals to the service, which is set out at Appendix 2.

1. Recommendation

- 1.1. The Committee is requested to note the update reports from Medway NHS Foundation Trust set out at Appendix 1 and 2 to the report.

2. Budget and policy framework

- 2.1. Under the Local Authority (Public Health, Health and Wellbeing Boards and Health Scrutiny) Regulations 2013 the Council may review and scrutinise any matter relating to the planning, provision, and operation of the health service in Medway. In carrying out health scrutiny a local authority must invite interested parties to comment and take account of any relevant information available to it, and, in particular, relevant information provided to it by a local Healthwatch. The Council has delegated responsibility for discharging this function to this Committee and to the Children and Young People Overview and Scrutiny Committee as set out in the Council's Constitution.

4. Risk management

- 4.1. The MFT have identified risks to them within Appendix 1 and 2.

5. Financial implications

- 5.1. There are no financial implications for the Council arising directly from this report.

6. Legal implications

6.1. There are no legal implications for the Council arising directly from this report.

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Appendices

Appendix 1 – Medway NHS Foundation Trust – Patient Safety Incident Investigations

Appendix 2 - Medway NHS Foundation Trust – Ear Nose and Throat backlog Investigation

Background papers

None