

NHSCBA/19/07/12/06

**BOARD PAPER - NHS COMMISSIONING BOARD AUTHORITY (NHS CBA)**

**Title:** Annual Accounts 2011/12 and Annual Report 2011/12

**Clearance:** Paul Baumann, Chief Financial Officer

**Purpose of Paper:**

- to update the board on the status of the NHS Commissioning Board Authority (NHS CBA) annual accounts 2011/12 and annual report 2011/12 since they were presented to the board on 31 May 2012.

**Key Issues and Recommendations**

The annual accounts 2011/12 and annual report 2011/12 were presented to the board on 31 May 2012.

An unqualified audit opinion was received by the National Audit Office (NAO), and the accounts were signed by David Nicholson, Chief Executive of the NHS CBA on 28 June 2012. The accounts were certified by the NAO Comptroller and Auditor General on 2 July 2012, and the accounts are due to be laid in the library of both Houses of Parliament on 12 July 2012.

The annual report and annual accounts for 2011/12 will be available on the NHS CBA website once they have been laid in Parliament on 12 July 2012.

**Actions Required by Board Members:**

- to note the current status of the annual accounts for 2011/12 and annual report 2011/12

## **Annual Accounts and Annual reports 2011/12**

1. The board received a paper on 31 May 2012 outlining the details of the annual accounts 2011/12 and the annual report 2011/12. At that stage, the final audit opinion had not been received from the National Audit Office (NAO), the NHS CBA's external auditors, and the Chief Executive had not signed the accounts as being a "true and fair view" of the financial position of the NHS CBA.
2. On 15 June 2012 the NAO issued an unqualified audit opinion of the accounts and annual report as part of its audit completion report, and the NHS CBA Chief Executive signed copies of the accounts on 28 June 2012. Subsequently the NAO Comptroller and Auditor General certified the accounts on 2 July 2012. The annual report (which incorporates the accounts) is due to be laid in the libraries of the House of Commons and the House of Lords on 12 July 2012 and will be available on the NHS CBA website from that date.
3. The board is asked to note the current status of the annual report 2011/12 (incorporating the annual accounts 2011/12).

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