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## 1 Introduction

#### 1.1 Delegation of Functions, Duties and Powers

- 1.1.1 The NHS Commissioning Board may, in accordance with paragraph 13 of Schedule A1 of the NHS Act 2006 (as amended), arrange for the exercise of any of its functions on its behalf by:
- 1.1.1.1 Any Non-executive Member;
- 1.1.1.2 Any Employee (including any Executive Member); or,
- 1.1.1.3 A Committee or Sub-committee.
- 1.1.2 This is subject to such directions as may be given by the Secretary of State in respect of certain functions.
- 1.1.3 By virtue of section 13D NHS Act 2006, the NHS CB is under a statutory duty to carry out its functions effectively, efficiently and economically.
- 1.1.4 The purpose of this document is to summarise those functions, duties and powers of the NHS CB for which it is held accountable to Parliament and the Secretary of State and how it has delegated them internally.
- 1.1.5 The delegation and accountability from Parliament and the Secretary of State to the NHS CB and the Chief Executive in his role as Accounting Officer are set out in:
- 1.1.5.1 The NHS Act 2006 (as amended);
- 1.1.5.2 The Health and Social Care Act 2012;
- 1.1.5.3 The Mandate from the Government to the NHS CB for April 2013 to March 2015; and,
- 1.1.5.4 Such other Regulations or Directions that may be issued from time to time.
- 1.1.6 The Board remains responsible for all of its functions under the NHS Act 2006, including those it delegates and would expect to receive information about the exercise of delegated functions to assure it and enable it to maintain a monitoring role.

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- 1.1.7 Functions which have not been reserved to the Board or delegated by the Board will be exercised in accordance with arrangements to be devised by the Chief Executive. The Board, however, maintains ultimate responsibility for all of its functions.
- 1.1.8 In this document, references to an Employee will include reference to his nominated representative. Ultimate responsibility will, however, be retained by the designated Employee.
- 1.1.9 Any function, duty or power not specifically delegated may be delegated by a separate Board resolution.
- 1.1.10 The Chief Executive may act in any way consistent with the NHS CB's statutory obligations to enable him to be satisfied that:
- 1.1.10.1 NHS CB functions are properly exercised in accordance with statute, including such primary and secondary legislation as may be applicable, and the Mandate; and,
- 1.1.10.2 In his capacity as Accounting Officer, that NHS CB funds are properly applied and accounted for in accordance with the instructions, memoranda and guidance issued by the Department of Health, HM Treasury and the Cabinet Office.

#### 1.2 Reservation of Functions, Duties and Powers to the Board

- 1.2.1 The Board will have the overall function and duty of establishing and maintaining the strategic direction of the NHS CB.
- 1.2.2 The NHS CB's Standing Orders require the Board to agree those matters which it does not delegate. The matters reserved for determination by the Board are set out in this document.
- 1.2.3 The Board, in full session, may decide on any matter it wishes that is within its legal powers.
- 1.2.4 The Board reserves the ability to, at any time, withdraw a function, duty or power it has delegated and then to exercise the function, duty or power itself or to delegate it.

#### 1.3 Caution over the use of Delegated Functions, Duties and Powers

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1.3.1 Functions, duties and powers are delegated to the Board, Committees, Subcommittees, Non-executive Members, Executive Members and designated Employees, provided they do not use such delegated functions, duties and powers in a manner that is likely to be a cause for public concern.

#### 1.4 Ability to Delegate Delegated Functions, Duties and Powers

- 1.4.1 The Board, Committees, Sub-committees, Non-executive Members, Executive Members and designated Employees may not delegate functions, duties or powers that have been delegated to them, unless specifically authorised to do so as part of the delegation of that function, duty or power.
- 1.4.2 Managing Directors of Commissioning Support Units, NHS Improving Quality and the NHS Sustainable Development Unit have the authority to delegate functions, duties or powers delegated to them, subject to such delegation being recorded in an Operating Framework, which will be approved by the Chief Financial Officer and ratified by the Audit Committee.

#### 1.5 Failure to Comply with Standing Orders and Standing Financial Instructions

- 1.5.1 Failure to comply with Standing Orders and Standing Financial Instructions,
   which this document is deemed to be an integral part of, can in certain
   circumstances be regarded as a disciplinary matter that could result in dismissal.
- 1.5.2 If for any reason the reservation of powers or delegations detailed in this document are not complied with, full details of the non-compliance and any justification for non-compliance shall be reported to the next formal meeting of the Audit Committee for determining or ratifying action. All Members of the Board, and all Officers, have a duty to disclose any non-compliance to the Chief Financial Officer as soon as possible.

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## 2 Scope

#### 2.1 Officers Within the Scope of this document

- 2.1.1 Officers of the following NHS CB areas are within the scope of this document:
- 2.1.1.1 NHS England:
  - National Teams;
  - Regional Teams; and,
  - Area Teams.
- 2.1.1.2 All Commissioning Support Units;
- 2.1.1.3 NHS Leadership Academy;
- 2.1.1.4 NHS Improving Quality;
- 2.1.1.5 NHS Sustainable Development Unit;
- 2.1.1.6 Strategic Clinical Networks; and,
- 2.1.1.7 Clinical Senates.
- 2.2 Officers Not Covered by this document
- 2.2.1 There are no Officers of the NHS CB not covered by this document.

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## 3 Definitions

3.1

Unless a contrary intention is evident or the context requires otherwise, words or expressions contained in this document shall have the same meaning as set out in the National Health Service Act 2006 and the Health & Social Care Act 2012 or in any secondary legislation made under the National Health Service Act 2006 and the Health & Social Care Act 2012 and the following defined terms shall have the specific meanings given to them below:

	Accounting Officer	means the person responsible and accountable for resources within the control of the NHS CB, in accordance with the requirements of the HM Treasury guidance Managing Public Money. Under paragraph 15 of Schedule A1 of the NHS Act 2006 the Accounting Officer for the NHS CB is the Chief Executive.
	Board	means the Chair, Executive Members and Non-executive Members of the NHS CB collectively as a body.
	Budget	means a resource, expressed in financial terms, proposed by the Board for the purpose of carrying out, for a specific period, any or all of the functions of the NHS CB.
	Budget Holder	means an Officer with delegated authority to manage finance (income and/or expenditure) for a specific area of the NHS CB.
C	Budget Manager	means an Officer who manages a Budget on behalf of a Budget Holder.
	Chair	means the person appointed by the Secretary of State for Health under paragraph 2(1) of Schedule A1 of the NHS Act 2006, to lead the Board and to ensure that it successfully discharges its overall responsibility for the NHS CB as a whole. The expression "the Chair" shall be deemed to include the Vice-chair if the Chair is absent from the meeting or is otherwise unavailable.
	Chief Executive	means the chief executive of the NHS CB appointed pursuant to paragraph 3 of Schedule A1 of the NHS Act 2006.
	Chief Financial Officer	means the chief financial officer of the NHS CB.
	Clinical Commissioning Group/CCG	means a body established in accordance with section 1I of the NHS Act 2006.

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Committee	means a committee appointed by the Board, which reports to the Board.
Committee Member	means a person appointed by the Board to sit on or to chair a specific Committee.
Employee	means a person paid via the payroll of the NHS CB, or for whom the NHS CB has responsibility for making payroll arrangements, but excluding Non-executive Members.
Executive Member	means a Member of the Board who is appointed under paragraph 3 of Schedule A1 of the NHS Act 2006.
Funds Held on Trust	means those funds which the Board holds on the date of incorporation, receives on distribution by statutory instrument or chooses subsequently to accept under powers derived under section 13Y and paragraph 11, Schedule A1 of the NHS Act 2006. Such funds may or may not be charitable.
HSCA 2012	means Health & Social Care Act 2012.
Member	means a Non-Executive Member or Executive Member of the Board as the context permits. Member in relation to the Board does not include its Chair.
Motion	means a formal proposition to be discussed and voted on during the course of a meeting of the Board.
National Director	means an Executive Member or other Officer of the NHS CB who reports directly to the Chief Executive.
NHS Act 2006	means National Health Service Act 2006 (as amended).
NHS CB	means NHS Commissioning Board.
Nominated Officer	means an Officer charged with the responsibility for discharging a specific task within SOs and/or SFIs.
Non-executive Director	means a Non-executive Member of the NHS CB.
Non-executive Member	means a Member of the Board who is appointed under paragraph 2(1)(a) and 2(1)(b) of Schedule A1 of the NHS Act 2006.
Officer	means an Employee of the NHS CB or any other person holding a paid appointment or office with the NHS CB.
Secretary	means a person appointed to provide advice on corporate

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governance issues to the Board and the Chair, and to monitor the Board's compliance with the law, SOs and SFIs, and guidance issued by the Secretary of State for Health.

on the Chair's duties if the Chair is absent for any reason.

Secretary of State for	means the UK Cabinet Minister responsible for the Department of
Health	Health.
SFI	means Standing Financial Instruction.
SO	means Standing Order.
Sub-committee	means a committee appointed by the Board, which reports to a Committee of the Board
Vice-chair	means the Non-executive Member appointed by the Board to take

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## 4 Statutory Functions, Duties and Powers Reserved to the Board

Reference:	Reserved To:	Functions, Duties and Powers:		
NHS Act 2006				
Section1H	NHS CB Board	Ensure compliance with the concurrent duty, held with the Secretary of State for Health, to continue the promotion in England of a comprehensive health service.		
Section 2	NHS CB Board	• Do that which is considered appropriate for the purposes of discharging any duty imposed on the NHS CB and anything which is calculated to facilitate, or is conducive or incidental to, the discharge of such a duty.		
Section 3B	NHS CB Board	<ul> <li>Comply with Regulations which may be issued by the Secretary of State to commission the services specified:</li> <li>Dental services of a prescribed description;</li> <li>Services or facilities for members of the armed forces or their families;</li> <li>Services or facilities for persons who are detained in a prison or in other accommodation of a prescribed description; and,</li> <li>Such other services or facilities as may be prescribed).</li> </ul>		
Section 13A	NHS CB Board	Ensure compliance with Mandate from the Secretary of State.		
Section 13D	NHS CB Board	Comply with duty to exercise functions effectively, efficiently and economically.		
Section 13F	NHS CB Board	Have regard to the desirability of promoting autonomy, in exercising functions, so that any other person     exercising functions or providing services is free to do so in the manner in which it considers most     appropriate and without unnecessary burdens imposed on such a person.		

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Reference:	Reserved To:	Functions, Duties and Powers:	
Section 13Q	NHS CB Board	• Make arrangements to secure public involvement and consultation by the Board in relation to the exercise of its function to make commissioning arrangements.	
Section 13T	NHS CB Board	Publish a business plan before the start of each financial year, specifically explaining how the NHS CB proposes to discharge its duties under sections 13E, G and Q, and sections 223C and E.	
Section 13U	NHS CB Board	Publish an annual report as soon as practicable after the end of each financial year. Such report must be laid before Parliament and a copy sent to the Secretary of State.	
Section 13Z	NHS CB Board	Exercise the power to delegate functions to a Special Health Authority, CCG or such other body as may be prescribed.	

#### HSCA 2012

Section 290	NHS CB Board	•	Other duties to co-operate.
Section 295	NHS CB Board	•	Arrangements between the Board and Northern Ireland Ministers.
Section 296	NHS CB Board	•	Arrangements between the Board and Scottish Ministers etc.

Equality Act 2010

Section 149	NHS CB Board	Ensure that due regard is given to the public sector equality duty in all decision making and make
		arrangements to implement a system to deliver analysis for the purposes of the duty.

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## 5 Scheme of Delegation of Statutory Functions, Duties and Powers (General)

Reference:	Delegated To:	Functions, Duties and Powers:
NHS Act 2006		
Section 4	Designated Employees	<ul> <li>Make arrangements for the provision of hospital accommodation and services for persons who:</li> <li>Are liable to be detained under the Mental Health Act 1983; and,</li> <li>In opinion of the Secretary of State require treatment under conditions of high security on account of their dangerous, violent or criminal propensities.</li> </ul>
Section 6D	National Directors	Comply with Regulations to exercise a specified EU health function and make arrangements for the performance and provision of such health functions outside England.
	Regional Directors & designated Employees	<ul> <li>Oversee arrangements and role of area teams to apply arrangements for the performance and provision of such specified EU health functions outside England and provide assurance on the consistent application of the process to the audit committee. Make arrangements to provide a process by which patients can appeal from decisions of the Area team.</li> </ul>
	Area Directors & designated Employees	<ul> <li>Apply arrangements for the performance and provision of such specified EU health functions outside England and make decisions on such payments within their area.</li> </ul>
	Area Directors and designated Employees	Exercise general duties in relation to the commissioning and/or provision of specified EU health functions     outside England.
Section 12A	National Directors	Make arrangements to make direct payments.
	Regional Directors &	Oversee arrangements and role of area teams to make direct payments and provide assurance on the

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Reference:	Delegated To:	Functions, Duties and Powers:
	designated Employees	consistent application of the process to the Audit Committee. Make provision to provide an appeal process for patients from decisions of the Area team.
	Area Directors & designated Employees	Apply arrangements to make direct payments and make decisions on such payments within their area.
Section 13E	Designated Employees	<ul> <li>Make arrangements to comply with the duty as to exercising the functions of the NHS CB with a view to securing improvement in the quality of services in connection with:</li> <li>The prevention, diagnosis or treatment of illness; or,</li> <li>The protection or improvement of public health.</li> </ul>
Section 13G	Designated Employees	<ul> <li>Ensure functions are exercised having regard to the need to reduce inequalities with respect to access to health services and outcomes achieved by the provision of those services.</li> </ul>
Section 13H	Designated Employees	Make arrangements to comply with the duty to promote involvement of each patient.
	Designated Employees	<ul> <li>Issue guidance in accordance with obligation under section 14U(2) of Act to CCGs on how they should discharge their duty to promote the involvement of each patient.</li> </ul>
Section 13I	National Directors	Make arrangements to comply with the duty as to patient choice.
	Designated Employees	Implement arrangements so that the duty as to patient choice is complied with in exercising functions, duties and powers.
Section 13J	Chief Executive	Make arrangements to obtain appropriate advice.
Section 13K	National Directors	Make arrangements to secure compliance with the duty to promote innovation.

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Reference:	Delegated To:	Functions, Duties and Powers:
	Designated Employees	Implement arrangements so that the duty as to innovation is complied with in exercising functions, duties and powers.
Section 13L	Designated Employees	Duty in respect of promoting research in the exercise of its functions.
Section 13M	Designated Employees	• Comply with duty to assist the Secretary of State in respect of promoting education and training to persons who are employed, or who are considering becoming employed, in an activity which involves or is concerned with the provision of services as part of the health service in England.
Section 13N	Designated Employees	Make arrangements to ensure compliance with the duty to promoting integration for health services and, where appropriate, social care services.
Section 13O	Chief Operating Officer	<ul> <li>Make arrangements to ensure compliance with the duty to have regard to the likely impact on services for those who live close to the border in Scotland and Wales, from commissioning decisions made by the NHS CB in England.</li> </ul>
Section 13P	Chief Operating Officer	Comply with duty not to exercise the NHS CB's functions so as to cause a variation in the provision of health services.
Section 13Q	Designated Employees	Issue guidance on how the NHS CB will comply with its duty to secure public involvement and consultation.
	Area Directors	Implement arrangements to secure public involvement and consultation on an area basis.
	Regional Directors	Implement arrangements to secure public involvement and consultation on issues which cover more than     one area.
	National Directors	Implement arrangements to secure public involvement and consultation on any issue for national     engagement and consultation.

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Reference:	Delegated To:	Functions, Duties and Powers:
Section 13R	Designated Employees	• Make arrangements to establish and operate a system for collecting and analysing information on the safety of services provided by the health service.
Section 13S	Designated Employees	Publish guidance for registered persons in relation to the processing of patient information and other information obtained or generated in the course of the provision of the health service.
Section 13V	Chief Financial Officer	Power to establish pooled funds with one of more CCG.
Section 13W	Chief Financial Officer	Board's power to generate income, etc.
	Commissioning Support Programme Board Committee	<ul> <li>Responsibility for the generation of income through the activities of Commissioning Support Units, which the NHS CB hosts with the NHS Business Services Authority, and for oversight and assurance to the Audit Committee.</li> </ul>
	Managing Directors of Commissioning Support Units	Responsibility for decision-making over income generation by individual Commissioning Support Units and responsibility for running them in-line with guidance from the Commissioning Support Programme Board Committee.
Section 13X	Chief Financial Officer	Make arrangements to exercise the power to make grants to a voluntary organisation.
Section 13Y	National Directors, Regional Directors & Area Directors	Exercise of the Board's incidental powers to in particular enter into agreements, acquire and dispose of property and to accept gifts, subject to compliance with delegated financial limits.
Section 13Z3	National Directors	Put in place arrangements to enable the NHS CB to make permitted disclosures of information when it is determined to be appropriate.
Section 75	Designated Employees	Arrangements between NHS bodies and local authorities.

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Reference:	Delegated To:	Functions, Duties and Powers:
Section 244	Area Directors	• Perform duty to advise and consult the local authority health and overview scrutiny committee for the area on issues relating to NHS commissioning arrangements.
	Regional Directors	• Perform duty to advise and consult the local authority health and overview scrutiny committees or any joint committee for issues relating to NHS commissioning arrangements which cover more than one area.
	National Directors	• Perform duty to advise and consult the local authority health and overview scrutiny committees or any joint committee for issues relating to NHS commissioning arrangements which have national coverage.

#### HSCA 2012

Section 254	National Director for	Use of powers to direct the Health and Social Care Information Centre to establish information systems as	ĺ
	Patients and	required by the NHS CB.	
	Information		

Mental Health Act 1983

Section 12(2)	National Medical	• Make arrangements for the designation of mental health doctors pursuant to section 12(2) Mental Health	
	Director	Act.	

#### Civil Contingencies Act 2004

Schedule 1	National Directors	•	Make arrangements for the NHS CB to comply with obligations as a Category 1 responder. Those obligations include a duty under section 2 to assess, plan and advise ("contingency planning").
	Area Directors	•	Implement arrangements to comply with obligations as a Category 1 responder in their Area.
	Regional Directors	•	Assure Audit Committee that the area team arrangements are sufficient to comply with Category 1 Responder obligations and where necessary implement such arrangements for the NHS CB.

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Reference:	Delegated To:	Functions, Duties and Powers:		
Domestic Violence	Domestic Violence, Crime and Victims Act 2004			
Section 9(3)	National Directors	• Make arrangements, as directed by the Secretary of State, for the conduct of domestic homicide reviews.		
	Medical Director or Director of Nursing for each Area	Undertake domestic homicide reviews if they are within team's area.		
	Medical Director or Director of Nursing for each Region	Assure Audit Committee as to Area Team's performance of domestic homicide reviews and if, the review is     across multiple areas, undertake the domestic homicide review.		

#### Children Act 2004

Section 10	National Medical Director & Chief Nursing Officer	Responsibility for ensuring that the duty to co-operate with local authorities and others to improve well-being of children is complied with.
Section 11	National Medical Director & Chief Nursing Officer	Responsibility for ensuring that the duty to ensure that the NHS CB's functions are discharged having regard to the need to safeguard and promote the welfare of children.
Childcare Act 20	06	
Section 4	National Medical Director & Chief Nursing Officer	Responsibility for ensuring that the NHS CB as a "relevant partner", complies with duty to work with local     authority in connection with the authority's arrangements for improving well-being etc. of young children.

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Reference:	Delegated To:	Functions, Duties and Powers:
Criminal Justice	Act 2003	
Section 325	National Directors	Complying with duty to co-operate with the Police, Probation and Prison services in relation to arrangements for assessing risks of violent or sexual offenders
International Dev	elopment Act 2002	

Section 9 of	NHS CB Board	•	Exercising the power, as a relevant public body, to make arrangements for the purposes of furthering	
Schedule 1			sustainable development in countries outside the United Kingdom; improving the welfare of the population of	
			one or more such countries, or alleviating the effects of natural or man-made disaster or other emergency on	
			the population of one or more such countries (amended by Schedule 5, paragraph 100; Schedule 7,	
			paragraph 11; Schedule 14, paragraph 82; Schedule 17, paragraph 9).	

#### Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007

Section	Area Directors	•	Responsibility for ensuring that the duty, when exercising any functions in arranging for the provision of
116B(2)			health services in relation to the area of a responsible local authority, to have regard to the following:
			<ul> <li>Any relevant needs assessment prepared under section 116; and,</li> <li>Any relevant joint health and wellbeing strategy prepared under section 116A.</li> </ul>

#### Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960

Section 1(1)	NHS CB Board	•	Responsibility for ensuring that the duty to hold its meetings in public is complied with.
Section 1(2)	Chair	•	Ability to exercise the power to hold meetings or parts of meetings in private (following a resolution) whenever publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business transacted, or for other special reasons stated in the resolution and arising from the nature of that

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## 6 Scheme of Delegation of Statutory Functions, Duties and Powers in respect of Primary Care

Reference:	Delegated To:	Functions, Duties and Powers:
NHS Act 2006		
Section 83 &	NHS CB Board	Develop and publish strategy for securing the provision of primary medical services.
Section 92	Chief Operating Officer	Implement the strategy for securing the provision of primary medical services.
	Chief Operating Officer & National Medical Director	Develop guidance for implementation of the obligations under the NHS (Performers Lists) Regulations.
	Area Directors	Exercise general duties in relation to the commissioning and/or provision of primary medical services.
	Designated Employees	• Enter into arrangements, contractual or otherwise, subject to compliance with delegated financial limits, to secure the provision of primary medical services.
	Designated Employees	• Ensure contracts and other arrangements are correctly monitored and governed including ensuring that all contractors sign the NHS CB's data confidentiality code of conduct and IT security policy where relevant.
	Area Directors	<ul> <li>Exercise the functions, specifically that of investigating and regulating performers, as described in the NHS (Performers Lists) Regulations and in accordance with guidance issued by the Chief Operating Officer and National Medical Director.</li> </ul>
	Regional Directors	Make arrangements to have in place a panel to determine performance list issues raised by the Area Teams in pursuance of their function to investigate and regulate performers under the Regulations.
	Area Directors	Exercise functions to work with CCGs, local authorities and health and wellbeing boards to deliver primary

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Reference:	Delegated To:	Functions, Duties and Powers:
		care services in their area.
	Area Directors	• Authorisation to investigate any complaint related to the provision of primary medical services by any provider from whom the NHS CB commissions such services, either directly or indirectly through CCGs.
	Area Directors	• Take urgent and emergency action to safeguard and maintain the provision of primary medical services.
Section 98A	National Directors & designated Employees	Give directions to a CCG about the exercise by it of any functions of the NHS CB relating to the provision of primary medical services.
	Regional Directors	Oversee the Area Teams in exercising functions to deliver primary care services and assure the Audit     Committee that such services are commissioned and monitored in accordance with the legal framework and     Executive Team guidance.
	Regional Directors	Undertake investigations into service provision or performer list issues where they cover more than one Area Team's area.



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## 7 Scheme of Delegation of Statutory Functions, Duties and Powers in respect of Specialised

## **Commissioned Services**

Reference:	Delegated To:	Functions, Duties and Powers:	
NHS Act 2006			
Section 3B	NHS CB Board	Develop and publish strategy for securing the provision of specialised commissioned services.	
	Clinical Priorities Advisory Group	Provide advice and recommendations to the Board over the provision of specialised commissioned services     and to make clinical prioritisation decisions.	
	Chief Operating Officer	Implement the strategy for securing the provision of specialised commissioned services.	
	Designated Area Directors	<ul> <li>Exercise general duties in relation to the commissioning and/or provision of specialised commissioned services.</li> </ul>	
	Designated Employees	• Enter into arrangements, contractual or otherwise, subject to compliance with delegated financial limits, to secure the provision of specialised commissioned services.	
	Designated Employees	Ensure contracts and other arrangements are correctly monitored and governed including ensuring that all contractors sign the NHS CB's data confidentiality code of conduct and IT security policy where relevant.	
	Area Directors	• Authorisation to investigate any complaint related to the provision of specialised commissioned services by any provider from whom the NHS CB commissions such services, either directly or indirectly.	
	Area Directors	Take urgent and emergency action to safeguard and maintain the provision of specialised commissioned services.	
	Area Directors	Exercise functions to work with CCGs, local authorities and health and wellbeing boards to deliver	

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Reference:	Delegated To:	Functions, Duties and Powers:
		specialised commissioned services in their area.
	Area Directors	Ensure that processes are in place to make determinations over Individual Funding Requests in respect of specialised commissioned services.
	Regional Directors	Oversee the Area Teams in exercising functions to deliver specialised commissioned services and assure the Audit Committee that such services are commissioned and monitored in accordance with the legal framework and Executive Team guidance.
	Regional Directors	Undertake investigations into service provision where they cover more than one Area Team's area.



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## 8 Scheme of Delegation of Statutory Functions, Duties and Powers in respect of High Secure

## **Psychiatric Services**

Reference:	Delegated To:	Functions, Duties and Powers:
NHS Act 2006		
Section 4	Designated Employees	<ul> <li>Make arrangements for the provision of hospital accommodation and services for persons who:</li> <li>Are liable to be detained under the Mental Health Act 1983; and,</li> <li>In the opinion of the Secretary of State require treatment under conditions of high security on account of their dangerous, violent or criminal propensities.</li> </ul>
	Designated Area Directors	• Exercise general duties in relation to the commissioning and/or provision of high secure psychiatric services.
	Designated Employees	• Enter into arrangements, contractual or otherwise, subject to compliance with delegated financial limits, to secure the provision of high secure psychiatric services.
	Designated Employees	• Ensure contracts and other arrangements are correctly monitored and governed including ensuring that all contractors sign the NHS CB's data confidentiality code of conduct and IT security policy where relevant.
	Area Directors	• Authorisation to investigate any complaint related to the provision of high secure psychiatric services by any provider from whom the NHS CB commissions such services, either directly or indirectly.
	Area Directors	Take urgent and emergency action to safeguard and maintain the provision of high secure psychiatric services.
	Regional Directors	Oversee the Area Teams exercising functions to deliver high secure service and assure the Audit

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Reference:	Delegated To:	Functions, Duties and Powers:
		Committee that such services are commissioned and monitored in accordance with the legal framework and Executive Team guidance.

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## 9 Scheme of Delegation of Statutory Functions, Duties and Powers in respect of Dental Services

Reference:	Delegated To:	Functions, Duties and Powers:	
NHS Act 2006			
Section 5, Section 99 &	National Directors	Make arrangements, to the extent which the NHS CB considers necessary to meet all reasonable requirements, to exercise powers so as to secure the provision of dental services throughout England.	
Section 100	Chief Operating Officer & National Medical Director	Develop guidance for implementation of the obligations under the NHS (Performers Lists) Regulations.	
	Area Directors	Exercise general duties in relation to the commissioning and/or provision of dental services.	
	Designated Employees	• Enter into arrangements, contractual or otherwise, subject to compliance with delegated financial limits, to secure the provision of dental services.	
	Designated Employees	• Ensure contracts and other arrangements are correctly monitored and governed including ensuring that all contractors sign the NHS CB's data confidentiality code of conduct and IT security policy where relevant.	
	Area Directors	Exercise the functions, specifically that of investigating and regulating performers, as described in the NHS     (Performers Lists) Regulations and in accordance with guidance issued by the Chief Operating Officer and     National Medical Director.	
	Regional Directors	Make arrangements to have in place a panel to determine performance list issues raised by the Area Teams in pursuance of their function to investigate and regulate performers under the Regulations.	
	Area Directors	Authorisation to investigate any complaint related to the provision of dental services by any provider from	

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Reference:	Delegated To:	Functions, Duties and Powers:
		whom the NHS CB commissions such services, either directly or indirectly.
	Area Directors	Take urgent and emergency action to safeguard and maintain the provision of dental services.
	Area Directors	Ensure that processes are in place to make determinations over Individual Funding Requests in respect of dental services.
	Regional Directors	Oversee the Area Teams in exercising functions to deliver dental services and assure the Audit Committee that such services are commissioned and monitored in accordance with the legal framework and Executive Team guidance.
	Regional Directors	Undertake investigations into service provision or performer list issues where they cover more than one Area Team's area.



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## 10 Scheme of Delegation of Statutory Functions, Duties and Powers in respect of Primary

## **Ophthalmic Services**

Reference:	Delegated To:	Functions, Duties and Powers:
NHS Act 2006		
Section 6 &	National Directors	Make arrangements to secure the provision of primary ophthalmic services throughout England.
Section 115	Chief Operating Officer & National Medical Director	Develop guidance for implementation of the obligations under the NHS (Performers Lists) Regulations.
	Area Directors	Exercise general duties in relation to the commissioning/provision of primary ophthalmic services.
	Designated Employees	• Enter into arrangements, contractual or otherwise, subject to compliance with delegated financial limits, to secure the provision of primary ophthalmic services.
	Designated Employees	• Ensure contracts and other arrangements are correctly monitored and governed including ensuring that all contractors sign the NHSCB's data confidentiality code of conduct and IT security policy where relevant.
	Area Directors	<ul> <li>Exercise the functions, specifically that of investigating and regulating performers, as described in the NHS (Performers Lists) Regulations and in accordance with guidance issued by the Chief Operating Officer and National Medical Director.</li> </ul>
	Regional Directors	Make arrangements to have in place a panel to determine performance list issues raised by the Area teams in pursuance of their function to investigate and regulate performers under the Regulations.
	Area Directors	Authorisation to investigate any complaint related to the provision of primary ophthalmic services by any

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Reference:	Delegated To:	Functions, Duties and Powers:
		provider from whom the NHSCB commissions such services, either directly or indirectly.
	Area Directors	• Take urgent and emergency action to safeguard and maintain the provision of primary ophthalmic services.
	Area Directors	Ensure that processes are in place to make determinations over Individual Funding Requests in respect of primary ophthalmic services.
	Regional Directors	Oversee the Area Teams in exercising functions to deliver primary care services and assure the Audit     Committee that such services are commissioned and monitored in accordance with the legal framework and     Executive Team guidance.
	Regional Directors	Undertake investigations into service provision or performer list issues where they cover more than one Area Team's area.



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## 11 Scheme of Delegation of Statutory Functions, Duties and Powers in respect of Pharmaceutical

### Services

Reference:	Delegated To:	Functions, Duties and Powers:	
NHS Act 2006			
Section 127	National Directors	Make arrangements to secure the provision of pharmaceutical services throughout England.	
	Area Directors	Exercise general duties in relation to the commissioning/provision of pharmaceutical services.	
	Designated Employees	• Enter into arrangements, contractual or otherwise, subject to compliance with delegated financial limits, to secure the provision of primary pharmaceutical services.	
	Designated Employees	• Ensure contracts and other arrangements are correctly monitored and governed including ensuring that all contractors sign the NHS CB's data confidentiality code of conduct and IT security policy where relevant.	
	Area Directors	Exercise contractual obligations to performance manage pharmaceutical contractors.	
	Area Directors	Authorisation to investigate any complaint related to the provision of pharmaceutical services by any provider from whom the NHS CB commissions such services, either directly or indirectly.	
	Area Directors	Take urgent and emergency action to safeguard and maintain the provision of primary pharmaceutical services.	
	Area Directors	Ensure that processes are in place to make determinations over Individual Funding Requests in respect of primary pharmaceutical services.	
	Regional Directors	Oversee the Area Teams in exercising functions to deliver primary pharmaceutical services and assure the Audit Committee that such services are commissioned and monitored in accordance with the legal	

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Reference:	Delegated To:	Functions, Duties and Powers:
		framework and Executive Team guidance.
	Regional Directors	Undertake investigations into service provision or performer list issues where they cover more than one Area Team's area.

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## 12 Scheme of Delegation of Statutory Functions, Duties and Powers in respect of Services for

## Members of the Armed Forces

Reference:	Delegated To:	Functions, Duties and Powers:	
NHS Act 2006			
Section 3B	National Directors	Develop, publish and implement strategy for securing the provision of health services to members of the armed forces.	
	Designated Area Directors	Exercise general duties in relation to the commissioning and/or provision of services for members of the armed forces.	
	Designated Employees	Enter into arrangements, contractual or otherwise, subject to compliance with delegated financial limits, to secure the provision of services for members of the armed forces.	
	Designated Employees	• Ensure contracts and other arrangements are correctly monitored and governed including ensuring that all contractors sign the NHS CB's data confidentiality code of conduct and IT security policy where relevant.	
	Area Directors	• Authorisation to investigate any complaint related to the provision of services for members of the armed forces by any provider from whom the NHS CB commissions such services, either directly or indirectly.	
	Area Directors	Take urgent and emergency action to safeguard and maintain the provision of health services to members     of the armed forces.	
	Area Directors	Ensure that processes are in place to make determinations over Individual Funding Requests from members of the armed forces.	
	Regional Directors	Oversee the Area Teams in exercising functions to deliver primary care services and assure the Audit	

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Reference:	Delegated To:	Functions, Duties and Powers:	
		Committee that such services are commissioned and monitored in accordance with the legal framework and Executive Team guidance.	
	Regional Directors	Undertake investigations into service provision or performer list issues where they cover more than one Area Team's area.	

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## 13 Scheme of Delegation of Statutory Functions, Duties and Powers in respect of Prisons (and

# other accommodation of a prescribed type)

Reference:	Delegated To:	Functions, Duties and Powers:	
NHS Act 2006			
Section 3B	National Directors	Develop, publish and implement strategy for securing the provision of health services for prisons and other accommodation of a prescribed type.	
	Designated Area Directors	Exercise general duties in relation to the commissioning and/or provision of prison (and other accommodation of a prescribed type) services.	
	Designated Employees	• Enter into arrangements, contractual or otherwise, subject to compliance with delegated financial limits, to secure the provision of health services for prisons and other accommodation of a prescribed type.	
	Designated Employees	• Ensure contracts and other arrangements are correctly monitored and governed including ensuring that all contractors sign the NHS CB's data confidentiality code of conduct and IT security policy where relevant.	
	Area Directors	Authorisation to investigate any complaint related to the provision of services for prisons and other     accommodation of a prescribed type by any provider from whom the NHS CB commissions such services,     either directly or indirectly.	
	Area Directors	Take urgent and emergency action to safeguard and maintain the provision of health services for prisons     and other accommodation of a prescribed type.	
	Area Directors	Ensure that processes are in place to make determinations over Individual Funding Requests from those residing in either prison or other accommodation of a prescribed type.	

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Reference:	Delegated To:	Functions, Duties and Powers:
	Regional Directors	Oversee the Area Teams in exercising functions to deliver primary care services and assure the Audit     Committee that such services are commissioned and monitored in accordance with the legal framework and     Executive Team guidance.
	Regional Directors	Undertake investigations into service provision or performer list issues where they cover more than one Area Team's area.

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# 14 Scheme of Delegation of Statutory Functions, Duties and Powers in respect of Public Health

Reference:	Delegated To:	Functions, Duties and Powers:
NHS Act 2006		
Section 2, Section 2A, Section 2B & Section 12	National Directors	<ul> <li>Provide or secure the provision of a range of defined services covering:</li> <li>Immunisation programmes;</li> <li>Screening programmes;</li> <li>Children's public health services;</li> <li>Public health care for people in prison or other places of detention;</li> <li>Sexual assault referral centres; and,</li> <li>Child health information systems.</li> </ul>
Section 7A	National Directors	<ul> <li>To seek to achieve key deliverables focused on achieving positive health outcomes for the population and reducing inequalities in health, as defined in the section 7A agreement related to public health functions to be exercised by the NHS CB.</li> <li>To work in partnership with the Department of Health to develop future agreements under Section 7A.</li> </ul>
	Policy Chief Operating Officer National Director: Patients & Information	<ul> <li>To jointly convene with the Department of Health meetings of an oversight group to undertake the functions described within the section 7A agreement.</li> <li>To, as far as is practicable, share with the Health and Social Care information Centre all information collected, or required from providers, in the exercise of functions pursuant to the section 7A agreement.</li> </ul>

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Reference:	Delegated To:	Functions, Duties and Powers:
	National Director: Patients & Information	• To ensure relevant unpublished information is shared on a timely basis with the Department of Health and Public Health England for the exercise of their functions.
pla		• To share information with the Department of Health and Public Health England to enable effective joint planning of future section 7A agreements, including prospective changes in services or new services that may be commissioned under a future agreement.
	NHS CB Board	• Report annually to the Secretary of State on the key deliverables identified in the section 7A agreement, this report being included either as part of the NHS CB's annual report or as a separate document provided no later than the date on which that annual report is laid before Parliament.
	National Directors	• To, without delay, inform the Department of Health in writing of any significant concerns the NHS CB has in relation to the delivery by providers of services covered under the section 7A agreement.
	NHS CB Board	• To report after the end of each financial year on the use of funding allocated under paragraph A27 of the Section 7A agreement, meeting the requirements described in paragraph A32 of that agreement.



## 15 Scheme of Delegation of Statutory Functions, Duties and Powers in respect of Clinical

# **Commissioning Groups**

Reference:	Delegated To:	Functions, Duties and Powers:
NHS Act 2006		
Section 14A	NHS CB Board	Assure and guide the strategy of the NHS CB for exercising the general duties in relation to CCGs.
	National Directors	Develop, publish and implement strategy for exercising the general duties in relation to CCGs.
	Area Directors	Exercise general duties in relation to CCGs.
Section 14B & Regulations	Clinical Commissioning Group Committee	Consider applications for the establishment of CCGs.
Section 14C & Regulations	Clinical Commissioning Group Committee	Determine applications under section 14B NHS Act 2006.
Section 14E & Regulations	Area Directors	Consider and determine applications for variation of a CCG's constitution.
Section14F & Regulations	Area Directors	Approve variation of a CCG's constitution otherwise than on application.
Section 14G	Clinical Commissioning Group Committee	Consider and determine applications for merger by two or more CCGs.
Section 14H	Clinical Commissioning Group Committee	Make decisions on whether to dissolve one or more CCGs.

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Reference:	Delegated To:	Functions, Duties and Powers:
Section 14I	National Directors	Make a property or staff transfer scheme in connection with the variation, merger or dissolution of one or more CCGs.
Section 14K	National Directors	Make arrangements to publish guidance about the establishment, variation, merger or dissolution of one or more CCGs
Section 14U(2)	National Directors	Arrange for the publication of guidance to CCGs on the discharge of their duty to promote the involvement of each patient.
Section 14W(3)	National Directors	Consider the need to publish guidance to CCGs over how to discharge their duty to obtain appropriate advice.
Section 14Z2(4)	National Directors	Consider the need to publish guidance to CCGs over how to discharge their duty in respect of public involvement and consultation in the exercise of their functions to make commissioning arrangements.
Section 14Z7(1) & Section 14Z7(6)	Chief Financial Officer	Consider the need to publish guidance to CCGs over how to discharge their responsibility for payments to providers.
Section 14Z8	National Directors	Make arrangements to publish guidance for CCGs on the discharge of their commissioning functions.
Section 14Z9	Area Directors	Consider and determine requests by CCGs for the NHS CB to exercise functions of the CCG. Should a request be accepted then make arrangements for the NHS CB to exercise the function or functions of the relevant CCG.
Section 14Z10	Area Directors	Consider and determine requests by CCGs for the NHS CB to provide assistance or support to the CCG.     Should a request be accepted then make arrangements for the NHS CB to provide such support or

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Reference:	Delegated To:	Functions, Duties and Powers:
	Commissioning Support Programme Board Committee	<ul> <li>assistance as it is determined the CCG requires.</li> <li>Responsibility for the generation of income through the activities of Commissioning Support Units, which the NHS CB hosts with the NHS Business Services Authority, and for oversight and assurance to the Audit Committee.</li> </ul>
	Managing Directors of Commissioning Support Units	Responsibility for decision-making over income generation by individual Commissioning Support Units and responsibility for running them in-line with guidance from the Commissioning Support Programme Board Committee.
	Managing Directors of Commissioning Support Units	Exercise general duties in relation to the operation of Commissioning Support Unit services
Section 14Z11	National Directors	Consider the need to publish guidance to CCGs over how to prepare, revise and consult on their annual commissioning plans.
Section 14Z15(4)	National Directors	Consider the need to publish directions to CCGs as to the form and content of an annual report.
Section 14Z16	Area Directors	Conduct, each financial year, a performance assessment of each CCG.
Section 14Z18	National Directors, Regional Directors & Area Directors	<ul> <li>Make arrangements to exercise the power to require any information, documents, records or other items which the NHS CB considers necessary or expedient to have for the purposes of any of its functions in relation to CCGs. Such power must only be exercised in accordance with circumstances set out in section 14Z17 NHS Act 2006.</li> </ul>
Section 14Z19	National Directors,	Make arrangements to exercise the power to require a CCG to provide an explanation of any matter which

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Reference:	Delegated To:	Functions, Duties and Powers:
	Regional Directors & Area Directors	relates to the exercise, or proposed exercise, by the CCG of any of its functions. Such power must only be exercised in accordance with circumstances set out in section 14Z17 NHS Act 2006.
Section 14Z21	National Directors, Regional Directors & Area Directors	<ul> <li>Make arrangements to exercise the power, in specific circumstances and subject to consultation, to give directions to CCGs over how to discharge their functions, terminate the appointment of the CCG's Accountable Officer, vary the constitution of a CCG or dissolve a CCG.</li> </ul>
Section 252A	National Directors, Regional Directors & Area Directors	Put in place appropriate steps for the NHS CB and CCGs to be properly prepared for dealing with a relevant emergency.
	Regional Directors	Oversee the Area Teams in exercising functions in respect of CCGs and assure the Audit Committee that such functions are exercised and monitored in accordance with the legal framework and Board and/or National Directors guidance.



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## 16 Scheme of Delegation Derived from the Accounting Officer Memorandum

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# 17 Financial Delegations from the Department of Health

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## 18 Reservation of Functions, Duties and Powers Derived from Standing Orders

SO Reference:	Reserved To:	Functions, Duties and Powers:
4.4.1	NHS CB Board	Appoint a Vice-chair.
4.5.1	NHS CB Board	Appoint a Senior Independent Director.
4.6.1	NHS CB Board	Appoint a Deputy Chief Executive.
5.3.2	NHS CB Board	Determine that certain matters shall appear on every agenda for a meeting of the Board and shall be     addressed prior to any other business being conducted.
5.13.6	NHS CB Board	Agree that its Members can participate in its meetings by telephone, teleconference and video or computer link.
5.18.1.1	NHS CB Board	Resolve to require that representatives of the press and other members of the public be excluded from all or part of a meeting.
5.19.1	NHS CB Board	Permit the introduction by the public or press representatives of recording, transmitting, video or similar apparatus into meetings of the Board or a Committee of the Board.
5.20.1	NHS CB Board	<ul> <li>Decide what arrangements and terms and conditions it feels are appropriate to offer in extending an invitation to observers to attend and address any of the Board's meetings.</li> </ul>
6.1.2, 6.4.1 & 6.6.1	NHS CB Board	Determine the membership and terms of reference of Committees and Sub-committees.
6.8.1.1.2	NHS CB Board	Decide to vary the number of Non-executive Members appointed to the Audit Committee.
7.1.6	NHS CB Board	• Withdraw a function, duty or power it has delegated and then to exercise the function, duty or power itself or

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SO Reference:	Reserved To:	Functions, Duties and Powers:
		to delegate it.
7.3.1	NHS CB Board	Delegate executive powers to be exercised by a Committee, Sub-committee or joint committee constituted by the Board.
7.4.2	NHS CB Board	Approve a scheme of delegation, proposed by the Chief Executive.
8.1.1	NHS CB Board	Put in place arrangements for agreeing and approving policy statements and procedures.
9.4.2.2	NHS CB Board	• Exclude the Chair or a Member of the Board from a meeting of the Board while any contract, proposed contract or other matter in which he has a pecuniary interest is under consideration.
11.1.1	NHS CB Board	<ul> <li>Confirm contracts to purchase from a voluntary organisation or a local authority.</li> <li>Confirm contracts to transfer money from the NHS to the voluntary sector or the health related functions of local authorities.</li> </ul>



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# 19 Scheme of Delegation Derived from Standing Orders

SO Reference:	Delegated To:	Functions, Duties and Powers:
4.8.1.2.1	Chief Executive	Overall performance of the executive functions of the NHS CB.
4.8.1.2.2	Chief Executive	• Ensure the NHS CB acts in accordance with the legislative framework that established it and with the terms of the Framework Agreement agreed between the NHS CB and the Department of Health.
4.8.1.3.1	Chief Financial Officer	<ul> <li>Provision of financial advice to the NHS CB and to its Members.</li> <li>Supervision of financial control and accounting systems.</li> </ul>
4.8.1.2.3 & 4.8.1.3.2	Chief Executive & Chief Financial Officer	Discharge of obligations under relevant Financial Directions.
4.8.1.5.1	Chair	Operation of the Board and chairing all meetings when present.
4.8.1.5.4	Chair	Induction of Non-executive Members, their portfolios of interests and assignments, and their performance.
4.8.1.5.3	Chair	• Ensure that the Board discusses key and appropriate issues in a timely manner with all the necessary information and advice being made available to the Board to inform the debate and ultimate resolutions.
4.11.1	Chair	Ensure that the designation of lead roles or appointments of Board Members as required by statute, the Department of Health or other guidance, are made in accordance with that requirement.
5.1.2	Secretary, Chair or four Members	Call a meeting of the Board.
5.2.1	Secretary	Issue written notice of dates, times and locations of meetings of the Board.

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SO Reference:	Delegated To:	Functions, Duties and Powers:
5.2.2	Secretary	Call a meeting on at least fourteen but not more than twenty-eight days' notice to discuss the specified business.
5.2.2	Chair or four Members	Call a meeting where the Secretary fails to do so within the specified time period.
5.2.3	Chair or Secretary	In special circumstances, where there is an urgent need to call a meeting, decide that a meeting shall be called on less than fourteen days' notice.
5.4.1	Secretary	Include petitions received on the agenda of the next meeting.
5.6.1	Chair	Decision to include an emergency Motions after issue of notice of meeting and agenda.
5.7.2.1	Chair	<ul> <li>Exclude from the debate any such Motion of which notice was not given in accordance with the requirements of SO5.5 or SO5.6 other than a Motion relating to:</li> <li>The reception of a report;</li> <li>Consideration of any item of business before the Board;</li> <li>The accuracy of minutes;</li> <li>That the Board proceed to next business;</li> <li>That the Board adjourn; or,</li> <li>That the question be now put.</li> </ul>
5.11.1	Chair	Make decisions on order, relevance, regularity and interpretation of Standing Orders and Standing Financial Instructions.
5.13.1.1	Chair	Cast a second and deciding vote in the case of an equal vote.

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SO Reference:	Delegated To:	Functions, Duties and Powers:
5.13.2	Chair	Determine that a vote shall be undertaken by oral expression or by a show of hands.
5.14.1	Secretary	Record the reason for the suspension of Standing Orders in the Board's minutes.
5.14.2	Secretary	Make a separate record of matters discussed during the suspension of Standing Orders and make available to the Chair and Members of the Board.
5.14.4	Audit Committee	Review every decision to suspend Standing Orders.
5.16.1	Secretary	Record the names of the Chair and Members present at the meeting.
5.17.1	Secretary	Prepare minutes of proceedings of a meeting.
5.17.1	Chair	Sign agreed minutes.
6.8.1.1.1	Audit Committee	<ul> <li>Provide the Board with independent and objective advice in relation to its financial and governance obligations and compliance with all relevant legislation and guidance, including the HM Treasury's guidance on Managing Public Money.</li> </ul>
6.8.1.2.1	Remuneration & Terms of Service Committee	<ul> <li>Advise the Board about appropriate remuneration and terms of service of the Chief Executive, other Executive Members and all very senior managers, including arrangements for the termination of employment, and to consider issues in relation to remuneration and terms of service for all Employees.</li> </ul>
7.2.1	Chair & Chief Executive	• Exercise of powers in an emergency or for an urgent decision (subject to having consulted at least two Non- executive Members).
7.4.1	Chief Executive	Exercise of functions not retained or reserved to the Board or delegated to a Committee or Sub-committee     or joint committee.

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SO Reference:	Delegated To:	Functions, Duties and Powers:
7.4.1	Chief Executive	Nominate Employees to undertake functions, where the Chief Executive will retain accountability to the Board.
7.4.2	Chief Executive	Preparation of a scheme of delegation.
9.1.5	Secretary	Record Board Members' interests or changes in interests in the Board minutes for the meeting at which they are declared.
9.2	Secretary	Maintain a register of Members' interests in any matter relating to the NHS CB, updating the register every six months for changes to declared interests.
9.2.3	Chief Executive	Take reasonable steps to bring the existence of the register to the attention of local residents and to     publicise arrangements for viewing it.
9.5.4.2	Chief Executive	Report to the Board disclosure by the Chair and every Member and Officer of any relationship between himself and a candidate of whose candidature that Member or Officer is aware.
10.1.1	Secretary	Custody of the common seal of the Board in a secure place.
10.3.1	Secretary	Maintenance of a Register of Sealing.
10.3.2	Secretary	Report all sealings to the Board at least semi-annually

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## 20 Reservation of Functions, Duties and Powers Derived from Standing Financial Instructions

SFI Reference:	Reserved To:	Functions, Duties and Powers:
1.3.1.1.1	NHS CB Board	Formulate the financial strategy.
1.3.1.1.3	NHS CB Board	Define and approve essential features of financial arrangements in respect of important procedures and financial systems, including the need to obtain value for money.
1.3.1.1.4	NHS CB Board	Define specific responsibilities placed on Members of the Board and Officers as indicated in POL_0002: Reservation of Powers to the Board & Delegation of Powers
1.3.2.6	NHS CB Board	Approve a programme of risk management, in accordance with current Department of Health assurance framework requirements.
4.7.1	NHS CB Board	Nominate an Executive Member to be responsible to the Board for information risk management (the Senior Information Risk Owner).
7.1.2	NHS CB Board	Approve the banking arrangements.
9.1.3	NHS CB Board	Consider and approve proposals presented by the Chief Executive for the setting of remuneration and conditions of service for those Employees and Officers not covered by the Remuneration & Terms of Service Committee.
9.3.2	NHS CB Board	Approve procedures presented by the Chief Executive for the determination of commencing pay rates, conditions of service, etc. for Employees
11.5.1	NHS CB Board	Determine from time to time that in-house services should be market tested by competitive tendering.
12.1	NHS CB Board	Approve the level of non-pay expenditure on an annual basis.

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SFI Reference:	Reserved To:	Functions, Duties and Powers:
13.2.1.3	NHS CB Board	Agree proposals to utilise public finance initiative funding for capital procurement.
16.1.2	NHS CB Board	Agree the list of Officers (including specimens of their signatures) who are authorised to make short term borrowings on behalf of the NHS CB.
16.1.6	NHS CB Board	Approve all long-term borrowing.
17.2.4	NHS CB Board	• Within limits delegated to it by the Department of Health, approve the writing-off of losses over £50,000.
23.2.1	NHS CB Board	Decide if the NHS CB will insure through the risk pooling schemes administered by the NHS Litigation     Authority or self-insure for some or all of the risks covered by the risk pooling schemes.



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# 21 Scheme of Delegation Derived from Standing Financial Instructions

SFI Reference:	Delegated To:	Functions, Duties and Powers:
1.1.3	Chief Financial Officer	Approval of all financial procedures.
1.2.2	All Members of the Board and all Officers	Disclosure of any non-compliance with Standing Financial Instructions to the Chief Financial Officer as soon     as possible.
1.2.2	Audit Committee	Consideration of any instance where Standing Financial Instructions are not complied with, for determining or ratifying action.
1.3.2.1	Chief Executive & Chief Financial Officer	Accountability for financial control.
1.3.2.3	Chief Financial Officer	Detailed responsibility for financial activities and controls.
1.3.2.4	Chief Executive through the Chief Financial Officer	Implementation of the NHS CB's financial policies and for co-ordinating any corrective action necessary to further these policies.
1.3.2.5	Chief Executive	Ensure that existing Members of the Board and Officers and all new Members of the Board and Officers are notified of their responsibilities within Standing Financial Instructions, and in particular NHS CB policy in relation to potential corruption and the acceptance of gifts and hospitality.
1.3.2.6 & 23.1.1	Chief Executive	Ensure a programme of risk management is in place, approved by the Board and monitored by the Audit Committee.
1.3.2.6 & 23.1.1	Audit Committee	Monitor the risk management programme.

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SFI Reference:	Delegated To:	Functions, Duties and Powers:
1.3.3.1.1	Chief Financial Officer	<ul> <li>Maintain an effective system of financial control including ensuring that detailed financial procedures and systems incorporating the principles of separation of duties and internal checks are prepared, documented and maintained to supplement these instructions.</li> </ul>
1.3.3.1.2	Chief Financial Officer	• Ensuring that sufficient records are maintained to show and explain the NHS CB's transactions, in order to disclose, with reasonable accuracy, the financial position of the NHS CB at any time.
1.3.3.2.1	Chief Financial Officer	Provision of financial advice to the NHS CB and its Officers.
1.3.3.2.2	Chief Financial Officer	The design, implementation and supervision of systems of internal financial control.
1.3.3.2.3	Chief Financial Officer	• The preparation and maintenance of such accounts, certificates, estimates, records and reports as the NHS CB may require for the purpose of carrying out its statutory duties.
1.3.3.3	Chief Financial Officer	• Ensure insurance arrangements exist in accordance with the risk management programme and demonstrate value for money for any insurance obtained.
1.3.4.1	Members of the Board and Officers	<ul> <li>Responsibility for:</li> <li>The security of the property of the NHS CB;</li> <li>Avoiding loss;</li> <li>Exercising economy and efficiency in the use of resources; and,</li> <li>Conforming with the requirements of Standing Orders, Standing Financial Instructions, scheme of delegation and financial procedures.</li> </ul>
1.3.4.2	Officers	Having evidence of, or reason to suspect, financial or other irregularities or impropriety in relation to these regulations, to report these suspicions to the Chief Financial Officer.

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SFI Reference:	Delegated To:	Functions, Duties and Powers:
1.3.4.2	Chief Financial Officer	• Consider any such suspicions to determine if the case should be referred to the Counter Fraud Specialist.
1.3.5.1	Officers responsible for arranging contracts	• Ensure that those contracts are correctly monitored and governed within the contract's terms and conditions.
1.3.5.2	Chief Executive	Ensure any contractor or employee of a contractor who is empowered by the NHS CB to commit the NHS     CB to expenditure or who is authorised to obtain income knows they are covered by Standing Financial     Instructions.
4.1.1	Audit Committee	Provide an independent and objective view of internal control.
4.1.2	Audit Committee Chair	Report evidence of ultra vires transactions, evidence of improper acts or other important matters that the Audit Committee wish to raise to the Chief Executive and Chief financial Officer.
4.2.1.1	Chief Financial Officer	Ensure there are arrangements to review, evaluate and report on the effectiveness of internal financial control, including the establishment of an effective internal audit function.
4.2.1.2	Chief Financial Officer	Ensure that internal audit is adequate and meets the government mandatory audit standards.
4.2.1.3	Chief Financial Officer	Decide at what stage to involve the police in cases of misappropriation and other irregularities not involving fraud or corruption.
4.2.1.4	Chief Financial Officer	Ensure an annual internal audit report is prepared for consideration of the Audit Committee.
4.2.2	Chief Financial Officer or designated auditor	<ul> <li>Require and receive:</li> <li>Access to all records, documents and correspondence relating to any financial or other relevant transactions, including documents of a confidential nature;</li> </ul>

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SFI Reference:	Delegated To:	Functions, Duties and Powers:
		Access at all reasonable times to any land, premises, Member of the Board or Officer of the NHS CB;
		• The production of any cash, stores or other property of the NHS CB under the control of a Member of the
		Board or Officer; and,
		Explanations concerning any matter under consideration.
4.4.2	Audit Committee	Ensure a cost effective external audit service.
4.5.1	Chief Executive & Chief Financial Officer	• Monitor compliance with directions issued by the Secretary of State for Health on fraud and corruption.
4.5.2	Chief Executive	Nominate a suitable person to carry out the duties of the Counter Fraud Co-ordinator as specified in the
		Department of Health Fraud and Corruption Manual and guidance.
4.5.4	Counter Fraud Co- ordinator	• Provide a written report, at least annually, to the Audit Committee on counter fraud work within the NHS CB.
4.6.1	Chief Executive	<ul> <li>Monitor compliance with directions issued by the Secretary of state for Health on NHS security management.</li> </ul>
4.6.2	Chief Executive	Nominate a suitable person to carry out the duties of the Security Management Specialist as specified in the
		Secretary of State for Health guidance on NHS security management.
4.6.5	Security Management	Provide a written report, at least annually, to the Audit Committee on security management work within the
	Specialist	NHS CB.
5.1.1	Chief Executive	Overall executive responsibility for the NHS CB's activities and responsible to the Board for ensuring that it stays within resource limits.

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SFI Reference:	Delegated To:	Functions, Duties and Powers:
5.1.2.1	Chief Financial Officer	Provide reports in the form required by the Secretary of State for Health.
5.1.2.2	Chief Financial Officer	Provide regular financial reports in the form agreed by the Board.
5.1.2.3	Chief Financial Officer	<ul> <li>Ensure money drawn from the Department of Health against cash forecasts is required for approved expenditure only, and is drawn only at the time of need, following best practice as set out in 'Cash Management in the NHS'.</li> </ul>
5.1.2.4	Chief Financial Officer	Ensure that an adequate system for monitoring financial performance is in place to enable the NHS CB to fulfil its statutory responsibility not to exceed its annual revenue and capital resource limits and cash forecast.
5.2.1.1	Chief Financial Officer	<ul> <li>Periodically review the basis and assumptions used for distributing allocations to the NHS CB and to the Clinical Commissioning Groups and ensure that these are reasonable and realistic and secure the NHS CB's entitlement to funds.</li> </ul>
5.2.1.2	Chief Financial Officer	• Prior to the start of each financial year submit to the Board for approval a report showing the total allocations received and their proposed distribution including any sums to be held in reserve.
5.2.1.3	Chief Financial Officer	Regularly update the Board on significant changes to the initial allocation and the uses of such funds.
5.2.1.4	Chief Financial Officer	• Establish a system for management of the Capital Resource Limit and the approval of investment proposals.
5.3.1	Chief Executive	Compile and submit to the Board a business plan which takes into account financial targets and forecast limits of available resource.
5.3.2	Chief Financial Officer	Prepare and submit Budgets for approval by the Board.
5.3.3	Chief Financial Officer	Monitor financial performance against Budget and plan, periodically review them, and report to the Board.

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5.3.4	Budget Holders	Provide information as required by the Chief Financial Officer to enable Budgets to be compiled.
5.3.6	Chief Financial Officer	Ensure that adequate training is delivered on an on-going basis to Budget Holders to help them manage their Budget successfully.
5.4.1	Chief Executive	Delegate the management of a Budget.
5.5.1	Chief Financial Officer	Devise and maintain systems of budgetary control.
5.5.2	Budget Holder	<ul> <li>Ensure that:</li> <li>Any likely overspending or reduction of income which cannot be met by virement is not incurred without the prior consent of the Board;</li> <li>The amount provided in the approved Budget is not used in whole or in part for any purpose other than that specifically authorised subject to the rules of virement; and,</li> <li>No permanent Employees are appointed without the approval of the Chief Executive other than those provided for within the available resources and manpower establishment as approved by the Board.</li> </ul>
5.5.3	Chief Executive	<ul> <li>Identify and implement cost improvement and income generation initiatives in accordance with the requirements of the business plan and a balanced Budget.</li> </ul>
5.7.1	Chief Financial Officer	Ensure appropriate monitoring forms are submitted to the requisite monitoring organisation.
6.1.1	Chief Financial Officer	• Prepare financial returns in accordance with the accounting policies and guidance given by the Department of Health and HM Treasury, the NHS CB's accounting policies and generally accepted accounting practice.
6.1.2	Chief Financial Officer	Prepare and submit annual financial reports to the Department of Health certified in accordance with current guidelines.

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6.1.3	Chief Financial Officer	• Submit financial returns to the Department of Health for each financial year in accordance with the timetable prescribed by the Department of Health.
7.1.1	Chief Financial Officer	Manage the NHS CB's banking arrangements and advise the Board on the provision of banking services and operation of accounts.
7.2.1.1	Chief Financial Officer	Responsible for commercial bank accounts and accounts operated through the Government Banking Service.
7.2.1.2	Chief Financial Officer	Establishing separate bank accounts for the NHS CB's non-exchequer funds.
7.2.1.3	Chief Financial Officer	Ensuring payments made from commercial banks or Government Banking Service accounts do not exceed the amount credited to the account except where arrangements have been made.
7.2.1.4	Chief Financial Officer	Reporting to the Board all arrangements made with the NHS CB's bankers for accounts to be overdrawn.
7.2.1.5	Chief Financial Officer	Monitoring compliance with Department of Health guidance on the level of cleared funds.
7.3.1	Chief Financial Officer	Prepare detailed instructions on the operation of commercial bank and Government Banking Service accounts.
7.3.2	Chief Financial Officer	Advise the NHS CB's bankers in writing of the conditions under which each account will be operated.
7.4	Chief Financial Officer	<ul> <li>For those non-exchequer funds, if any, held outside the Government Banking Service, review the commercial banking arrangements of the NHS CB at regular intervals to ensure they reflect best practice and represent best value for money by periodically seeking competitive tenders for the NHS CB's commercial banking business. Report the results of the tendering exercise to the Board.</li> </ul>
8.1.1	Chief Financial Officer	Design, maintain and ensure compliance with systems for recording, invoicing, collection, and coding of all

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		monies due.
8.1.2	Chief Financial Officer	Ensure the prompt banking of all monies received.
8.2.1	Chief Financial Officer	Approve and regularly review the level of all fees and charges other than those determined by the Department of Health or by statute.
8.2.2	Officers	<ul> <li>Inform the Chief Financial Officer promptly of money due arising from transactions which they initiate/deal with, including all contracts, leases, tenancy agreements, private patient undertakings and other transactions.</li> </ul>
8.3.1	Chief Financial Officer	Responsible for the appropriate recovery action on all outstanding debts.
8.4.1.1	Chief Financial Officer	Approve the form of all receipt books, agreement forms, or other means of officially acknowledging or recording monies received or receivable.
8.4.1.2	Chief Financial Officer	Ordering and securely controlling any such stationery.
8.4.1.3	Chief Financial Officer	Provide adequate facilities and systems for Officers whose duties include collecting and holding cash.
8.4.1.4	Chief Financial Officer	Prescribe systems and procedures for handling cash and negotiable securities on behalf of the NHS CB.
9.1.2	Remuneration & Terms of Service Committee	Report in writing to the Board the basis for its recommendations.
9.2.2	Chief Executive	Approve changes to funded establishment where necessary.
9.3.1	Chief Executive	• Approve in advance and in writing Members of the Board and other Employees being engaged, re-engaged or re-graded, either on a permanent or temporary nature, or the hiring of agency staff, or agreement to changes in any aspect of remuneration not in accordance with the approved scheme of delegation and/or

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		not within the limit of their approved Budget and/or funded establishment.
9.4.1.1	Officer designated by the Board	• Ensure that all Employees are issued with a contract of employment in a form approved by the Board and which complies with employment legislation.
9.4.1.2	Officer designated by the Board	Deal with variations to, or termination of, contracts of employment.
10.1	Chief Financial Officer	Responsibility for the arrangements for the payment of staff.
10.2	Chief Financial Officer	Issue instructions regarding the verification and checking of payroll data.
10.3	Nominated Officers	Completing, checking and submitting payroll documentation.
10.4	Chief Financial Officer	Ensure that the chosen arrangements for providing the payroll service are supported by appropriate (contracted) terms and conditions, adequate internal controls and audit and review procedures, and that suitable arrangements are made for the collection of payroll deductions and payment of these to appropriate bodies.
10.5	Chief Financial Officer	Agree payments other than by bank credit transfer.
11.5.1	Chief Executive	Ensure that best value for money can be demonstrated for all services provided on an in-house basis.
11.6.1	Chief Financial Officer	Agree with the Board a schedule of delegated authorities for the signing of purchase contracts.
11.7.5	Chief Executive	Nominate an Officer who shall oversee and manage each purchase contract on behalf of the NHS CB.
12.1	Chief Executive	Propose a scheme of delegation to Officers.
12.2	Chief Financial Officer	Set out:

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		The list of Officers who are authorised to place requisitions for the supply of goods and services; and,
		The maximum level of each requisition and the system for authorisation above that level.
12.3	Executive Team	Agree an item of expenditure does not require an official order before the expenditure is committed.
12.5	Chief Financial Officer	Issue instructions as to the value and type of purchase permissible from each petty cash float issued.
12.6	Chief Financial Officer	Designate an Officer who is authorised to issue verbal orders.
12.7.2	Chief Financial Officer	Approve the form for purchase orders.
12.9	Chief Financial Officer	Ensure that appropriate arrangements are in existence to ensure that no order is issued for any item for which there is no budget provision.
12.9	Chief Executive	In exceptional circumstances, approve an Officer to issue an order where there is no budget provision.
13.1.1.1	Chief Executive	Ensure that there is an adequate appraisal and approval process in place for determining capital     expenditure priorities and the effect of each proposal upon business plans.
13.1.1.2	Chief Executive	Responsible for the management of all stages of capital schemes and for ensuring that schemes are delivered on time and to cost.
13.1.1.3	Chief Executive	Ensure that capital investment is not undertaken without securing the availability of resources to finance all revenue consequences, including capital charges.
13.1.2	Chief Executive	• For every capital expenditure proposal ensure a business case (in line with the guidance contained within the Capital Investment Manual) is produced.
13.1.3	Chief Executive	• For capital schemes where the contracts stipulate stage payments, issue procedures for their management,

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		incorporating the recommendations of "Estatecode".
13.1.4	Chief Financial Officer	Assess on an annual basis the requirement for the operation of the construction industry tax deduction     scheme in accordance with HMRC guidance.
13.1.5	Chief Financial Officer	Issue procedures for the regular reporting of capital expenditure and commitment against authorised     expenditure.
13.1.7	Chief Financial Officer	<ul> <li>Issue to the Officer responsible for any scheme:</li> <li>Specific authority to commit expenditure;</li> <li>Authority to proceed to tender; and,</li> <li>Approval to accept a successful tender.</li> </ul>
13.1.8	Chief Executive	Issue a scheme of delegation for capital investment management in accordance with "Estatecode" guidance and Standing Orders.
13.1.9	Chief Financial Officer	Issue procedures governing the financial management, including variations to contract, of capital investment projects and valuation for accounting purposes.
13.1.10	Chief Executive & Chief Financial Officer	• Ensure that the arrangements for financial control and financial audit of building and engineering contracts and property transactions comply with the guidance contained within "Concode" and "Estatecode".
13.2.1.1	Chief Financial Officer	Demonstrate that the use of private finance represents value for money and genuinely transfers significant risk to the private sector.
13.3.1	Chief Executive	Responsible for the maintenance of the register of assets and the register of inventory items.

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13.3.1	Chief Financial Officer	Advise the Chief Executive concerning the form and the method of updating the register of assets and the register of inventory items.
13.3.1	Audit Committee	Agree a cycle for the physical checking of assets and inventories against registers.
13.3.1	Chief Executive	Arrange for a physical check of assets and inventories against the registers to be conducted in accordance     with the cycle agreed by the Audit Committee.
13.3.2	Chief Financial Officer	• Define the items of equipment to be recorded in either the capital asset register or inventory register.
13.3.5	Chief Financial Officer	Approve procedures for reconciling balances on fixed asset and inventory accounts against fixed asset and inventory registers.
13.3.8	Chief Financial Officer	Calculate and account for capital charges as specified in the HM Treasury Financial Reporting Manual.
13.3.9	Budget Holders	Ensure that the respective assets and inventories for their areas will be physically checked annually.
13.3.10	Budget Holders concerned	Inform the Chief Financial Officer of the transfer of assets and inventories from one part of the NHS CB to another.
13.3.11	Chief Financial Officer	Maintain an up to date register of properties owned or leased by the NHS CB.
13.4.1	Chief Executive	Responsible for the overall control of assets.
13.4.2	Chief Financial Officer	Approve asset control procedures.
13.4.4	All Officers	Responsible for exercising a duty of care over the assets of the NHS CB.
13.4.4	Senior Officers	Apply appropriate routine security practices in relation to NHS CB assets.
13.4.4	Secretary	Refer reported instances of persistent breach of agreed security practices to the Chief Financial Officer.

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13.4.4	Chief Financial Officer	Determine necessary action in the case of persistent breach of agreed security practices.
13.4.5	Officers	Report any damage to the NHS CB's premises, vehicles and equipment or any loss of equipment or supplies.
14.1.1	Chief Financial Officer	Responsible for the prompt payment of accounts and claims.
14.1.3	Authorised Officers	Inform the Chief Financial Officer promptly of all money payable by the NHS CB arising from transactions which they initiate.
14.1.3	Chief Financial Officer	Maintain a register of regular payments.
14.1.4	Chief Financial Officer	Responsible for designing and maintaining a system for the verification, recording and payment of all     accounts payable by the NHS CB.
14.1.5	Officer certifying accounts	When relying upon other Officers to do preliminary checking, wherever possible, ensure that those who check delivery or execution of work, act independently of those who have placed orders and negotiated prices and terms.
14.1.6	Chief Financial Officer	In the case of contracts which require payment to be made on account, during progress of the works, make payment on receipt of a certificate from the appropriate qualified Officer or outside consultant.
14.1.7	Chief Financial Officer	Ensure that payment for goods and services is made only when the goods and services have been properly received.
14.2.2.2	Appropriate Director	• Provide, in the form of a written report, a case setting out all relevant circumstances of the purchase to justify a prepayment.
14.2.2.3	Chief Financial Officer	Be satisfied with the proposed prepayment arrangements before contractual arrangements proceed.

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14.2.2.4	Budget Holder	Ensure that all items due under a prepayment contract are received and immediately inform the appropriate Director or Chief Executive if problems are encountered.
14.2.3	Chief Financial Officer	Authorise advances on the Imprest system for petty cash and other purposes as required.
15.2.1	Chief Executive	Delegate overall responsibility for the control of stores to an Officer.
15.2.1	Designated Officer	<ul> <li>Delegate day-to-day responsibility for the control of stores to departmental Officers, subject to such delegation being entered in a record available to the Chief Financial Officer.</li> </ul>
15.2.2	Designated Officer	Clearly define responsibility for security arrangements and the custody of keys for any stores and locations.
15.2.3	Chief Financial Officer	Set out procedures and systems to regulate stores.
15.2.4	Chief Financial Officer	Agree stocktaking arrangements.
15.2.5	Chief Financial Officer	Where a complete system of stores control is not justified, approve alternative arrangements.
15.2.6	Designated Officer	• Responsible for a system, approved by the Chief Financial Officer, for reviewing slow moving and obsolete items and for condemnation, disposal, and replacement of all unserviceable articles.
15.2.6	Chief Financial Officer	<ul> <li>Approval of a system for reviewing slow moving and obsolete items and for condemnation, disposal, and replacement of all unserviceable articles.</li> </ul>
15.2.6	Designated Officer	Report to the Chief Financial Officer any evidence of significant overstocking and of any negligence or malpractice.
16.1.1	Chief Financial Officer	• Advise the Board concerning the NHS CB's ability to pay dividend on, and repay Public Dividend Capital and any proposed new borrowing, within the limits set by the Department of Health and HM Treasury.

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16.1.1	Chief Financial Officer	• Report periodically to the Board concerning the Public Dividend Capital debt and all loans and overdrafts.
16.1.3	Chief Financial Officer	Prepare detailed procedural instructions concerning applications for loans and overdrafts.
16.2.2	Chief Financial Officer	Advise the Board on investments and report periodically to the Board concerning the performance of investments held.
16.2.3	Chief Financial Officer	Prepare detailed procedural instructions on the operation of investment accounts and on the records to be maintained.
17.1.1	Chief Financial Officer	Prepare detailed procedures for disposal of assets including condemnations.
17.1.2	Head of Department	Determine and advise the Chief Financial Officer of the estimated market value of the item, taking account of professional advice where appropriate.
17.1.3.1	Chief Financial Officer	Authorise a condemning Officer.
17.1.3.1	Condemning Officer	Condemn or otherwise dispose of all unserviceable articles.
17.1.3.2	Chief Financial Officer	Authorise the form for the recording of condemned items.
17.1.3.2	Chief Financial Officer	Authorise a second Officer to countersign the record of condemned items.
17.1.3.2	Condemning Officer	Record condemned or otherwise disposed of articles.
17.1.4	Condemning Officer	Satisfy himself as to whether or not there is evidence of negligence in use and report any such evidence to the Chief Financial Officer.
17.1.4	Chief Financial Officer	Take appropriate action on reported evidence of negligence in use.
17.2.1	Chief Financial Officer	Prepare procedural instructions on the recording of and accounting for condemnations, losses and special

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SFI Reference:	Delegated To:	Functions, Duties and Powers:
		payments.
17.2.2	All Officers	<ul> <li>On discovering or suspecting a loss of any kind, either immediately inform their Head of Department or inform an Officer charged with responsibility for responding to concerns involving loss.</li> </ul>
17.2.2	Head of Department or nominated Officer	On receiving a report of a discovered or suspected loss, immediately inform the Chief Executive and the Chief Financial Officer.
17.2.2	Chief Financial Officer	Immediately inform the police where a criminal offence is suspected, if theft or arson is involved.
17.2.2	Chief Financial Officer	Inform the External Auditor, the NHS CB's Counter Fraud Specialist and the relevant Counter Fraud and     Security Management Services regional team in accordance with Secretary of State for Health's Directions,     in cases of fraud and corruption, or of anomalies which may indicate fraud or corruption.
17.2.3	Chief Financial Officer	<ul> <li>For losses apparently caused by theft, arson, neglect of duty or gross carelessness, except if trivial, immediately notify:</li> <li>The Board; and,</li> <li>The External Auditor.</li> </ul>
17.2.5	Chief Financial Officer	Authorised to take any necessary steps to safeguard the NHS CB's interests in bankruptcies and company liquidations.
17.2.6	Chief Financial Officer	Consider whether any insurance claim can be made.
17.2.7	Chief Financial Officer	Maintain a losses and special payments register.
18.1.1	Chief Executive	Appoint an Officer to approve the procurement of all computer hardware, software or facilities.

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SFI Reference:	Delegated To:	Functions, Duties and Powers:
18.2.1	Chief Financial Officer	Ensure that adequate controls exist such that the finance computer operation is separated from development, maintenance and amendment.
18.2.2	Chief Executive	Appoint an Officer to work with the Chief Financial Officer to ensure that an adequate management (audit)     trail exists through the computerised finance system
18.2.2	Chief Financial Officer & appointed Officer	Ensure that an adequate management (audit) trail exists through the computerised finance system.
18.2.3	Chief Financial Officer	• Satisfy himself that new financial systems and amendments to current financial systems are developed in a controlled manner and thoroughly tested prior to implementation.
19.1.1	Chief Executive	Ensure that the NHS CB has registered with the Information Commissioner's Office for compliance with the Data Protection Act 1998.
19.1.1	Chief Executive	Ensure that information is published and maintained in accordance with the requirements of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.
19.1.2	Chief Financial Officer	Responsible for the accuracy and security of the computerised financial data of the NHS CB, in accordance with security retention and data protection policies.
19.1.3	Chief Executive	<ul> <li>Appoint an Officer to devise and implement any necessary procedures to ensure adequate protection of the NHS CB's manual and computer data, programs and hardware.</li> </ul>
19.1.3	Appointed Officer	<ul> <li>Devise and implement any necessary procedures to ensure adequate protection of the NHS CB's manual and computer data, programs and hardware, from accidental or intentional disclosure to unauthorised persons, deletion or modification, theft or damage, having due regard for the Data Protection Acts and any defined NHS-wide security requirements</li> </ul>

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SFI Reference:	Delegated To:	Functions, Duties and Powers:
19.1.4	Chief Executive	• Appoint an Officer to ensure adequate controls exist over data entry, processing, storage, transmission and output to ensure security, privacy, accuracy, completeness, and timeliness of all NHS CB financial systems and data as well as the efficient and effective operation of the system.
19.1.4	Appointed Officer	Ensure adequate controls exist over data entry, processing, storage, transmission and output to ensure security, privacy, accuracy, completeness, and timeliness of all NHS CB financial systems and data as well as the efficient and effective operation of the system.
19.1.5	Chief Financial Officer	• Ensure that contracts for computing services for financial applications with another agency shall clearly define the responsibility of all parties for the security, privacy, accuracy, completeness, and timeliness of data during processing transmission and storage.
19.1.6	Chief Financial Officer	• Where another agency provides a computer service for financial applications, periodically seek assurances that adequate controls as outlined above are in operation.
19.1.7	Chief Executive	• Appoint an Officer to work with the Chief Financial Officer to ensure that adequate controls exist to maintain the security, privacy, accuracy and completeness of financial data sent over transmission networks.
19.1.7	Chief Financial Officer & appointed Officer	Ensure that adequate controls exist to maintain the security, privacy, accuracy and completeness of financial data sent over transmission networks.
20.1.2	Chief Financial Officer	<ul> <li>Ensure that each fund held on trust which the NHS CB is responsible for managing is managed appropriately with regard to its purpose and to its requirements.</li> </ul>
21.1	Secretary	Ensure that all Members and Officers are made aware of the Trust policy on acceptance of gifts and other benefits in kind.
22.1	Chief Executive	Maintain archives for all documents required to be retained in accordance with Department of Health

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SFI Reference:	Delegated To:	Functions, Duties and Powers:
		guidelines.
22.2	Chief Financial Officer	Authorise individuals to retrieve archived documents.
22.3	Chief Executive	Instigate the destruction of documents held in accordance with Department of Health guidance.
23.3.2	Chief Financial Officer	Consult the Department of Health in any case of doubt concerning a NHS CB's powers to enter into commercial insurance arrangements.
23.4.1	Chief Financial Officer	• Where the Board has decided to use the risk pooling schemes administered by the NHS Litigation Authority, ensure that the arrangements entered into are appropriate and complementary to the risk management programme and that documented procedures cover these arrangements.
23.4.2	Chief Financial Officer	• Where the Board has decided not to use the risk pooling schemes administered by the NHS Litigation Authority for one or other of the risks covered by the schemes, ensure that the Board is informed of the nature and extent of the risks that are self-insured as a result of that decision.
23.4.2	Chief Financial Officer	Draw up formal documented procedures for the management of any claims arising from third parties and payments in respect of losses which will not be reimbursed.
23.4.3	Chief Financial Officer	Ensure documented procedures also cover the management of claims and payments below the deductible in each case,

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# 22 Reservation of Functions, Duties and Powers & Scheme of Delegation Derived from the Memorandum of Understanding with the Business Services Authority, in respect of Commissioning Support Units

Reference:	Delegated To:	Functions, Duties and Powers:
Schedule 1, Paragraph 1	NHS Business Services Authority	Act as employment host for CSU staff.
Schedule 1, Paragraph 2	NHS CB	<ul> <li>Act as accountable body in relation to CSU activity and in relation to the income, expenditure, accounting arrangements and financial probity of the CSUs.</li> </ul>
Schedule 1, Paragraph 3	NHS CB	Have responsibility for providing pay and benefits to, and line management of, CSU staff and all associated overarching and day-to-day HR activities.
Schedule 1, Paragraph 4	NHS CB	Ensure that CSUs have the necessary management, accounting and governance arrangements and processes in place to carry out these payroll, line management and HR responsibilities appropriately.
Schedule 1, Paragraph 5	NHS CB	• Ensure that appropriate governance and accounting arrangements and policies are in place across all CSUs and where necessary issue guidance to ensure compliance with legal requirements and relevant guidance, in particular in relation to health and safety and the Bribery Act 2010.
Schedule 1, Paragraph 6	NHS CB	• Take or provide, or will procure that CSUs take or provide, such actions or such information, assurances and rights of inspection and audit as the NHS Business Services Authority reasonably requests from time to time in order to comply with its non-delegable statutory obligations as employer of CSU staff.
Schedule 1,	NHS CB	Put in place a self-assessment tool and process for CSUs that will ensure that:

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Reference:	Delegated To:	Functions, Duties and Powers:
Paragraph 7		<ul> <li>All relevant legal requirements are in place and being adhered to;</li> <li>Any specific CSU policies and practices are regularly updated in line with legislation; and,</li> <li>CSUs are compliant with the NHS Business Services Authority HR policies as adapted and updated and the NHS CB corporate policies, incident reporting procedures and health and safety policies and procedures.</li> </ul>
Schedule 1, Paragraph 8	NHS CB	<ul> <li>In the event of a serious incident or issue coming to the attention of the NHS Business Services Authority in relation to any hosted CSU staff, the NHS CB will intervene on behalf of the NHS Business Services Authority.</li> </ul>
Schedule 1, Paragraph 9	NHS CB	The NHS CB will notify the NHS Business Services Authority of any complaints about health and safety or any material injuries which have been suffered by CSU staff or by people with or to whom the CSU staff were providing services.



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#### Functions, Duties and Powers Reserved to the Board 23

Reference:	Reserved To:	Functions, Duties and Powers n:	
Strategy & Mana	Strategy & Management		
	NHS CB Board	Define the strategic aims of the NHS CB, subject to Department of Health approval.	
	NHS CB Board	Approve the Business Plan.	
	NHS CB Board	Approve the NHS CB's policies and procedure for the management of strategic risks.	
	NHS CB Board	Approve annual budget and longer term financial plans within the Resource Limits.	
	NHS CB Board	Approve proposals for action on litigation against or on behalf of the NHS CB.	
Regulation & Cor	ntrol		

#### **Regulation & Control**

NHS CB Board	Suspend Standing Orders.
NHS CB Board	Vary or amend Standing Orders.
NHS CB Board	Ratify any urgent decision taken by the Chair and Chief Executive in public session in accordance with SO7.2.
NHS CB Board	Approve a Scheme of Delegation of powers from the Board to Committees and Sub-committees, any Employee or any Non-executive Member.
NHS CB Board	Require and receive the declaration of Officers' interests which may conflict with those of the NHS CB.
NHS CB Board	Approve arrangements for dealing with complaints.
NHS CB Board	Adopt the organisation structures, processes and procedures to facilitate the discharge of business by the

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Reference:	Reserved To:	Functions, Duties and Powers n:
		NHS CB and agree to modifications thereto.
	NHS CB Board	Receive reports from Committees including those which the NHS CB is required by the Secretary of State for Health or other regulation to establish and take appropriate action thereon.
	NHS CB Board	Confirm the recommendations of the NHS CB Committees where the Committees do not have delegated powers.
	NHS CB Board	Establish the terms of reference and reporting arrangements of all Committees and Sub-committees which are established by the Board.
	NHS CB Board	Discipline of members of the Board and Employees who are in breach of statutory requirements or Standing Orders.
	NHS CB Board	Approve financial transactions above the levels delegated to management.

#### Appointments & Dismissals

NHS CB Board	Appoint and dismiss Committees (and individual members) which are directly accountable to the Board.
NHS CB Board	Confirm appointment of members of any Committees of the NHS CB as representatives on outside bodies.

#### Monitoring

NHS CB Board	Receive such reports as the Board sees fit from Committees in respect of their exercise of powers delegated.
NHS CB Board •	Continuous appraisal of the affairs of the NHS CB by means of provision of updates to the Board as the Board may require from Directors, Committees and Officers of the NHS CB.

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Reference:	Reserved To:	Functions, Duties and Powers n:	
	NHS CB Board	Receive reports from the Chief Financial Officer on financial performance against budget and Resource Limits.	
	NHS CB Board	Receive the annual management letter from the external auditor and agree the Board's proposed action, taking account of advice, where necessary, from the Audit Committee.	

#### Annual Report & Accounts

NHS CB Board	•	Receipt and approval of the NHS CB Annual Report and Annual Accounts as prepared by the Chief
		Executive and Chief financial Officer.



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### Functions, Duties and Powers Delegated by the Board to Committees

Reference:	Committee:	Functions, Duties and Powers:
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### 25 Reservation of Functions, Duties and Powers in respect of Commissioning Support Units

Function, Duty or Power:	Reserved To:	Detail:
Standing Orders	NHS CB Board	<ul> <li>The NHS CB Board has responsibility for the establishment and approval of Standing Orders that shall apply to all areas within the NHS CB.</li> <li>No individual area may vary the provisions of Standing Orders.</li> <li>Non-compliance with Standing Orders is a disciplinary matter that should be reported to the Chief Executive as soon as possible, for reporting to the Audit Committee at its next formal meeting, and may result in dismissal.</li> </ul>
Standing Financial Instructions	NHS CB Board	<ul> <li>The NHS CB Board has responsibility for the establishment and approval of Standing Financial Instructions that shall apply to all areas within the NHS CB.</li> <li>No individual area may vary the provisions of Standing Financial Instructions.</li> <li>Non-compliance with Standing Financial Instructions is a disciplinary matter that should be reported to the Chief Executive as soon as possible, for reporting to the Audit Committee at its next formal meeting, and may result in dismissal.</li> </ul>
Scheme of Delegation	NHS CB Board	<ul> <li>The NHS CB Board has responsibility for the establishment and approval of a Scheme of Delegation (this document) that shall apply to all areas within the NHS CB.</li> <li>No individual area may vary the provisions of the Scheme of Delegation.</li> <li>Non-compliance with the Scheme of Delegation is a disciplinary matter that should be reported to the Chief Executive as soon as possible, for reporting to the Audit Committee at its next formal meeting, and may</li> </ul>

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Function, Duty or Power:	Reserved To:	Detail:
		result in dismissal.
Policies	NHS CB	The NHS CB Board has responsibility for establishing a framework of policies that Officers in all NHS CB areas will be required to comply with, except human resources policies.
Approval of Business Plan	NHS CB Finance & Investment Committee	<ul><li>Requires approval before the start of the financial year.</li><li>Sets the financial envelope and approved activities for the year.</li></ul>
Approval of CSU Operating Framework	Chief Financial Officer	<ul> <li>Proposed CSU Operating Frameworks require approval before they become effective.</li> <li>Once approved each CSU Operating Framework to be presented to the next Audit Committee for ratification.</li> </ul>
External Audit	NHS CB Board & NHS CB Audit Committee	<ul> <li>The NHS CB Board has responsibility for the arrangements for external audit, covering all NHS CB areas.</li> <li>The NHS CB Audit Committee has responsibility for agreeing the external audit plan, including any variation there to.</li> <li>All NHS CB areas will provide input into the planning process, if required, and cooperate fully with the NHS CB's external auditors in undertaking their work.</li> </ul>
Internal Audit	NHS CB Board & NHS CB Audit Committee	<ul> <li>The NHS CB Board has responsibility for the arrangements for internal audit, covering all NHS CB areas.</li> <li>The NHS CB Audit Committee has responsibility for agreeing the internal audit plan, including any variation there to.</li> <li>All NHS CB areas will provide input into the planning process, including undertaking a local risk and controls assessment and the identification of areas for internal audit focus.</li> </ul>

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Function, Duty or Power:	Reserved To:	Detail:
		• All NHS CB areas will cooperate fully with the NHS CB's internal auditors in undertaking their work.
Counter Fraud Service	NHS CB Board & NHS CB Audit Committee	<ul> <li>The NHS CB Board has responsibility for the arrangements for countering fraud, covering all NHS CB areas.</li> <li>The NHS CB Audit Committee has responsibility for agreeing the counter fraud plan, including any variation there to.</li> <li>All NHS CB areas will provide input into the planning process, including undertaking a local risk and controls assessment and the identification of areas for counter fraud focus.</li> <li>All NHS CB areas will cooperate fully with the NHS CB's counter fraud specialists in undertaking their work.</li> </ul>
Appointment of Managing Director	NHS CB	<ul> <li>The NHS CB will appoint each Managing Director on terms that are acceptable to the NHS CB and are in line with the relevant bandings for senior NHS Managers/Directors.</li> <li>The NHS Business Services Authority (NHS BSA) will be the legal employer of the Managing Director as detailed in the Memorandum of Understanding between the NHS CB, NHS BSA and the Department of Health.</li> </ul>
Appointment of Director of Finance	NHS CB	<ul> <li>The NHS CB will work with the CSU Managing Director to appoint a Director of Finance on terms that are acceptable to the NHS CB and are in line with the relevant bandings for senior NHS Managers/Directors.</li> <li>The NHS Business Services Authority (NHS BSA) will be the legal employer of the Director of Finance as detailed in the Memorandum of Understanding between the NHS CB, NHS BSA and the Department of Health.</li> </ul>
Appointments	NHS CB	Ensure the NHS Business Services Authority puts in place arrangements to enable the Managing Director to

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Function, Duty or Power:	Reserved To:	Detail:
		exercise full day to day employment powers for CSU staff, this includes the authority to appoint and remove individuals.

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### 26 Scheme of Delegation in respect of Commissioning Support Units

Area:	Delegated To:	Functions, Duties and Powers:
Corporate Governance Framework	Managing Director	Ensure all Officers are aware of NHS CB Standing Orders, Standing Financial Instructions, Schemes of Delegation and policies (excluding human resources policies) and comply with these on a day-to-day basis.
Operating Framework	Managing Director	<ul> <li>Establish an Operating Framework that details the delegation of functions, duties and powers to Officers, including financial limits.</li> <li>Operationalize the approved Operating Framework within the CSU.</li> </ul>
Annual Business Plan	Managing Director	Preparation of an annual business plan that, once approved, will form the basis of financial and operational delegations for the financial year.
Annual Report	Managing Director	• Prepare an annual report at the end of each financial year, detailing activity and financial outturn against the approved business plan, together with a supporting narrative.
Governance	Managing Director	<ul> <li>Make arrangements for internal governance structures, systems and processes in line with NHS CB Standing Orders, Standing Financial Instructions, Schemes of Delegation and policies and document these within the CSU Operating Framework.</li> <li>Put in place arrangements for a register of interests covering all Officers and advisory lay members, including arrangements for notification of new and changed interests and an annual declaration process, in line with NHS CB policy and procedure.</li> </ul>
		• Put in place arrangements for a register of hospitality covering all Officers and advisory lay members, including arrangements for notification of new instances of hospitality and an annual reminder/declaration

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Area:	Delegated To:	Functions, Duties and Powers:	
		process, in line with NHS CB policy and procedure.	
Risk	Managing Director	The CSU will be subject to the NHS CB Risk Management Policy.	
Management		• Risks and incidents should monitored and investigated locally, and reported 'up' as appropriate.	
Policy	Managing Director	<ul> <li>Ensure compliance with NHS Business Services Authority human resources policies except for those areas explicitly devolved for local agreement through national work between the NHS Business Services Authority and CSUs.</li> <li>As part of the Operating Framework develop:</li> </ul>	
		Human resources policies to address local issues in agreement with the CSU's Local Partnership Forum which align with the CSU human resources policy framework; and,	
		Governance policies to address local issues not covered by NHS CB policies.	
		• The Operating Framework shall include duties on processes for developing policy that will enable the NHS	
		CB to meet its statutory duties regarding patient and public involvement and equality and diversity.	
Advisory Mechanisms	Managing Director	Decide upon the most appropriate mechanism for the CSU advisory structure, membership, roles and terms of reference.	
Advisory Roles	Managing Director	Appoint and terminate persons in an advisory capacity in order to ensure that the CSU advisory mechanism delivers the full range of skills and experience it needs to be effective, strategic, and adds value to the business, providing that such appointments follow established fair recruitment procedures.	
		Remuneration will be in line with NHS CB Standing Orders and Standing Financial Instructions and depending on the engagement mechanism, may or may not involve the NHS Business Services Authority in	

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Area:	Delegated To:	Functions, Duties and Powers:	
		a legal employer role.	
Organisational Structures	Managing Director	<ul> <li>Set structures and processes that will enable the CSU to operate under the conditions laid down for it by the NHS CB.</li> </ul>	
Appointments	Managing Director	<ul> <li>Ensure compliance with NHS Business Services Authority HR policies (adapted by the CSU as they see fit).</li> <li>Responsible for providing pay and benefits to, and line management of, CSU staff and all associated overarching day-to-day HR activities.</li> </ul>	
New Business Opportunities	Managing Director	<ul> <li>Compete for new business opportunities, on terms and conditions beneficial to the delivery of the CSU's business plan and that secure the long-term business interests of the CSU in line with the limits and powers delegated by the NHS CB and approved as part of its annual business plan and control total.</li> </ul>	
Service Provision and Development	Managing Director	<ul> <li>Negotiate service partnership with any commissioner regarding existing or new services, following standard SLA or contracting protocols and within financial limits.</li> <li>Enter into negotiations with local independent contractors and other providers of health and social care, Local Authorities, independent and Third Sector organisations regarding the delivery of a portfolio of support services, determined by the CSU to be of sufficient value that give a return on the investment made in those services, within defined limits.</li> <li>Sign contracts in accordance with financial limits.</li> </ul>	
Operational Partnerships	Managing Director	Enter into operational partnerships as an autonomous stakeholder within the local health and social care     economy, subject to financial limits.	
Financial Reporting	Managing Director	Ensure compliance with the NHS CB's financial reporting regime, as notified from time to time.	

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Area:	Delegated To:	Functions, Duties and Powers:
		Ensure compliance with balance scorecard reporting requirements.

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### 27 Reservation of Functions, Duties and Powers in respect of NHS Improving Quality

Function, Duty or Power:	Reserved To:	Detail:
Standing Orders	NHS CB Board	<ul> <li>The NHS CB Board has responsibility for the establishment and approval of Standing Orders that shall apply to all areas within the NHS CB.</li> <li>No individual area may vary the provisions of Standing Orders.</li> <li>Non-compliance with Standing Orders is a disciplinary matter that should be reported to the Chief Executive as soon as possible, for reporting to the Audit Committee at its next formal meeting, and may result in dismissal.</li> </ul>
Standing Financial Instructions	NHS CB Board	<ul> <li>The NHS CB Board has responsibility for the establishment and approval of Standing Financial Instructions that shall apply to all areas within the NHS CB.</li> <li>No individual area may vary the provisions of Standing Financial Instructions.</li> <li>Non-compliance with Standing Financial Instructions is a disciplinary matter that should be reported to the Chief Executive as soon as possible, for reporting to the Audit Committee at its next formal meeting, and may result in dismissal.</li> </ul>
Scheme of Delegation	NHS CB Board	<ul> <li>The NHS CB Board has responsibility for the establishment and approval of a Scheme of Delegation (this document) that shall apply to all areas within the NHS CB.</li> <li>No individual area may vary the provisions of the Scheme of Delegation.</li> <li>Non-compliance with the Scheme of Delegation is a disciplinary matter that should be reported to the Chief Executive as soon as possible, for reporting to the Audit Committee at its next formal meeting, and may</li> </ul>

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Function, Duty or Power:	Reserved To:	Detail:
		result in dismissal.
Policies	NHS CB	The NHS CB Board has responsibility for establishing a framework of policies that Officers in all NHS CB areas will be required to comply with.
Approval of Business Plan	NHS CB Finance & Investment Committee	<ul><li>Requires approval before the start of the financial year.</li><li>Sets the financial envelope and approved activities for the year.</li></ul>
Approval of Operating Framework	Chief Financial Officer	<ul> <li>Proposed Operating Framework requires approval before it becomes effective.</li> <li>Once approved the Operating Framework to be presented to the next Audit Committee for ratification.</li> </ul>
External Audit	NHS CB Board & NHS CB Audit Committee	<ul> <li>The NHS CB Board has responsibility for the arrangements for external audit, covering all NHS CB areas.</li> <li>The NHS CB Audit Committee has responsibility for agreeing the external audit plan, including any variation there to.</li> <li>All NHS CB areas will provide input into the planning process, if required, and cooperate fully with the NHS CB's external auditors in undertaking their work.</li> </ul>
Internal Audit	NHS CB Board & NHS CB Audit Committee	<ul> <li>The NHS CB Board has responsibility for the arrangements for internal audit, covering all NHS CB areas.</li> <li>The NHS CB Audit Committee has responsibility for agreeing the internal audit plan, including any variation there to.</li> <li>All NHS CB areas will provide input into the planning process, including undertaking a local risk and controls assessment and the identification of areas for internal audit focus.</li> </ul>

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Function, Duty or Power:	Reserved To:	Detail:
		All NHS CB areas will cooperate fully with the NHS CB's internal auditors in undertaking their work.
Counter Fraud Service	NHS CB Board & NHS CB Audit Committee	<ul> <li>The NHS CB Board has responsibility for the arrangements for countering fraud, covering all NHS CB areas.</li> <li>The NHS CB Audit Committee has responsibility for agreeing the counter fraud plan, including any variation there to.</li> <li>All NHS CB areas will provide input into the planning process, including undertaking a local risk and controls assessment and the identification of areas for counter fraud focus.</li> <li>All NHS CB areas will cooperate fully with the NHS CB's counter fraud specialists in undertaking their work.</li> </ul>
Appointment of Managing Director	NHS CB	The NHS CB will appoint each Managing Director on terms that are acceptable to the NHS CB and are in line with the relevant bandings for senior NHS Managers/Directors.
Appointment of Director of Finance	NHS CB	Where it is decided the appointment of a Director of Finance is required, the NHS CB will work with the Managing Director to appoint a Director of Finance on terms that are acceptable to the NHS CB and are in line with the relevant bandings for senior NHS Managers/Directors.

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## 28 Scheme of Delegation in respect of NHS Improving Quality

Area:	Delegated To:	Functions, Duties and Powers:
Corporate Governance Framework	Managing Director	Ensure all Officers are aware of NHS CB Standing Orders, Standing Financial Instructions, Schemes of Delegation and policies (excluding human resources policies) and comply with these on a day-to-day basis.
Operating Framework	Managing Director	<ul> <li>Establish an Operating Framework that details the delegation of functions, duties and powers to Officers, including financial limits.</li> <li>Operationalize the approved Operating Framework.</li> </ul>
Annual Business Plan	Managing Director	• Preparation of an annual business plan that, once approved, will form the basis of financial and operational delegation for the financial year.
Annual Report	Managing Director	• Prepare an annual report at the end of each financial year, detailing activity and financial outturn against the approved business plan, together with a supporting narrative.
Governance	Managing Director	<ul> <li>Make arrangements for internal governance structures, systems and processes in line with NHS CB Standing Orders, Standing Financial Instructions, Schemes of Delegation and policies and document these within the Operating Framework.</li> <li>Put in place arrangements for a register of interests covering all Officers, including arrangements for notification of new and changed interests and an annual declaration process, in line with NHS CB policy and procedure.</li> </ul>
		• Put in place arrangements for a register of hospitality covering all Officers, including arrangements for notification of new instances of hospitality and an annual reminder/declaration process, in line with NHS CB

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Area:	Delegated To:	Functions, Duties and Powers:
		policy and procedure.
Risk	Managing Director	Subject to the NHS CB Risk Management Policy.
Management		Risks and incidents should monitored and investigated locally, and reported 'up' as appropriate.
Policy	Managing Director	As part of the Operating Framework develop:
		Human resources policies to address local issues in agreement with the Local Partnership Forum which align with the human resources policy framework; and,
		<ul> <li>Governance policies to address local issues not covered by NHS CB policies.</li> </ul>
		• The Operating Framework shall include duties on processes for developing policy that will enable the NHS CB to meet its statutory duties regarding patient and public involvement and equality and diversity.
Organisational Structures	Managing Director	Set structures and processes that will enable the unit to operate under the conditions laid down for it by the NHS CB.
Appointments	Managing Director	Responsible for appointment, dismissal and day-to-day line management of staff.
New Business Opportunities	Managing Director	Compete for new business opportunities, on terms and conditions beneficial to the delivery of the unit business plan and that secure the long-term business interests of the unit in line with the limits and powers delegated by the NHS CB and approved as part of its annual business plan and control total.
Service	Managing Director	Negotiate service partnership with organisations regarding existing or new services, following standard SLA
Provision and		or contracting protocols and within financial limits.
Development		Sign contracts in accordance with financial limits.
Operational	Managing Director	• Enter into operational partnerships as an autonomous stakeholder within the local health and social care

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Area:	Delegated To:	Functions, Duties and Powers:
Partnerships		economy, subject to financial limits.
Financial	Managing Director	Ensure compliance with the NHS CB's financial reporting regime, as notified from time to time.
Reporting		Ensure compliance with balance scorecard reporting requirements.

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### 29 Reservation of Functions, Duties and Powers in respect of the NHS Sustainable Development

Unit

Function, Duty or Power:	Reserved To:	Detail:
Standing Orders	NHS CB Board	<ul> <li>The NHS CB Board has responsibility for the establishment and approval of Standing Orders that shall apply to all areas within the NHS CB.</li> <li>No individual area may vary the provisions of Standing Orders.</li> <li>Non-compliance with Standing Orders is a disciplinary matter that should be reported to the Chief Executive as soon as possible, for reporting to the Audit Committee at its next formal meeting, and may result in dismissal.</li> </ul>
Standing Financial Instructions	NHS CB Board	<ul> <li>The NHS CB Board has responsibility for the establishment and approval of Standing Financial Instructions that shall apply to all areas within the NHS CB.</li> <li>No individual area may vary the provisions of Standing Financial Instructions.</li> <li>Non-compliance with Standing Financial Instructions is a disciplinary matter that should be reported to the Chief Executive as soon as possible, for reporting to the Audit Committee at its next formal meeting, and may result in dismissal.</li> </ul>
Scheme of Delegation	NHS CB Board	<ul> <li>The NHS CB Board has responsibility for the establishment and approval of a Scheme of Delegation (this document) that shall apply to all areas within the NHS CB.</li> <li>No individual area may vary the provisions of the Scheme of Delegation.</li> </ul>

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Function, Duty or Power:	Reserved To:	Detail:
		<ul> <li>Non-compliance with the Scheme of Delegation is a disciplinary matter that should be reported to the Chief Executive as soon as possible, for reporting to the Audit Committee at its next formal meeting, and may result in dismissal.</li> </ul>
Policies	NHS CB	The NHS CB Board has responsibility for establishing a framework of policies that Officers in all NHS CB areas will be required to comply with.
Approval of Business Plan	NHS CB Finance & Investment Committee	<ul> <li>Requires approval before the start of the financial year.</li> <li>Sets the financial envelope and approved activities for the year.</li> </ul>
Approval of Operating Framework	Chief Financial Officer	<ul> <li>Proposed Operating Framework requires approval before it becomes effective.</li> <li>Once approved the Operating Framework to be presented to the next Audit Committee for ratification.</li> </ul>
External Audit	NHS CB Board & NHS CB Audit Committee	<ul> <li>The NHS CB Board has responsibility for the arrangements for external audit, covering all NHS CB areas.</li> <li>The NHS CB Audit Committee has responsibility for agreeing the external audit plan, including any variation there to.</li> <li>All NHS CB areas will provide input into the planning process, if required, and cooperate fully with the NHS CB's external auditors in undertaking their work.</li> </ul>
Internal Audit	NHS CB Board & NHS CB Audit Committee	<ul> <li>The NHS CB Board has responsibility for the arrangements for internal audit, covering all NHS CB areas.</li> <li>The NHS CB Audit Committee has responsibility for agreeing the internal audit plan, including any variation there to.</li> </ul>

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Function, Duty or Power:	Reserved To:	Detail:
		<ul> <li>All NHS CB areas will provide input into the planning process, including undertaking a local risk and controls assessment and the identification of areas for internal audit focus.</li> <li>All NHS CB areas will cooperate fully with the NHS CB's internal auditors in undertaking their work.</li> </ul>
Counter Fraud Service	NHS CB Board & NHS CB Audit Committee	<ul> <li>The NHS CB Board has responsibility for the arrangements for countering fraud, covering all NHS CB areas.</li> <li>The NHS CB Audit Committee has responsibility for agreeing the counter fraud plan, including any variation there to.</li> <li>All NHS CB areas will provide input into the planning process, including undertaking a local risk and controls assessment and the identification of areas for counter fraud focus.</li> <li>All NHS CB areas will cooperate fully with the NHS CB's counter fraud specialists in undertaking their work.</li> </ul>
Appointment of Managing Director	NHS CB	The NHS CB will appoint each Managing Director on terms that are acceptable to the NHS CB and are in line with the relevant bandings for senior NHS Managers/Directors.
Appointment of Director of Finance	NHS CB	<ul> <li>Where it is decided the appointment of a Director of Finance is required, the NHS CB will work with the Managing Director to appoint a Director of Finance on terms that are acceptable to the NHS CB and are in line with the relevant bandings for senior NHS Managers/Directors.</li> </ul>
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### 30 Scheme of Delegation in respect of the NHS Sustainable Development Unit

Area:	Delegated To:	Functions, Duties and Powers:
Corporate Governance Framework	Managing Director	Ensure all Officers are aware of NHS CB Standing Orders, Standing Financial Instructions, Schemes of Delegation and policies (excluding human resources policies) and comply with these on a day-to-day basis.
Operating Framework	Managing Director	<ul> <li>Establish an Operating Framework that details the delegation of functions, duties and powers to Officers, including financial limits.</li> <li>Operationalize the approved Operating Framework.</li> </ul>
Annual Business Plan	Managing Director	Preparation of an annual business plan that, once approved, will form the basis of financial and operational delegation for the financial year.
Annual Report	Managing Director	• Prepare an annual report at the end of each financial year, detailing activity and financial outturn against the approved business plan, together with a supporting narrative.
Governance	Managing Director	<ul> <li>Make arrangements for internal governance structures, systems and processes in line with NHS CB Standing Orders, Standing Financial Instructions, Schemes of Delegation and policies and document these within the Operating Framework.</li> <li>Put in place arrangements for a register of interests covering all Officers, including arrangements for notification of new and changed interests and an annual declaration process, in line with NHS CB policy and procedure.</li> <li>Put in place arrangements for a register of hospitality covering all Officers, including arrangements for</li> </ul>
		notification of new instances of hospitality and an annual reminder/declaration process, in line with NHS CB

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Area:	Delegated To:	Functions, Duties and Powers:
		policy and procedure.
Risk	Managing Director	Subject to the NHS CB Risk Management Policy.
Management		Risks and incidents should monitored and investigated locally, and reported 'up' as appropriate.
Policy	Managing Director	As part of the Operating Framework develop:
		Human resources policies to address local issues in agreement with the Local Partnership Forum which     align with the human resources policy framework; and,
		Governance policies to address local issues not covered by NHS CB policies.
		• The Operating Framework shall include duties on processes for developing policy that will enable the NHS CB to meet its statutory duties regarding patient and public involvement and equality and diversity.
Organisational Structures	Managing Director	Set structures and processes that will enable the unit to operate under the conditions laid down for it by the NHS CB.
Appointments	Managing Director	Responsible for appointment, dismissal and day-to-day line management of staff.
New Business Opportunities	Managing Director	Compete for new business opportunities, on terms and conditions beneficial to the delivery of the unit business plan and that secure the long-term business interests of the unit in line with the limits and powers delegated by the NHS CB and approved as part of its annual business plan and control total.
Service Provision and	Managing Director	Negotiate service partnership with organisations regarding existing or new services, following standard SLA     or contracting protocols and within financial limits.
Development		Sign contracts in accordance with financial limits.
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Area:	Delegated To:	Functions, Duties and Powers:
Partnerships		economy, subject to financial limits.
Financial	Managing Director	Ensure compliance with the NHS CB's financial reporting regime, as notified from time to time.
Reporting		Ensure compliance with balance scorecard reporting requirements.

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