

Notice of Removal of Section 111 Additional Licence Condition

For the purposes of this Notice, NHS Improvement means “Monitor”.

The following additional licence condition was imposed by NHS Improvement on South Tees Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust on 2 July 2014 in accordance with NHS Improvement’s power under section 111 of the Health and Social Care Act 2012:

Additional Licence Condition 1 – Further governance requirements:

- 1) The Licensee must ensure that it has in place sufficient and effective Board, management and clinical leadership capacity and capability, as well as appropriate governance systems and/ or processes, to enable it to-
 - a. address the issues specified in paragraph 2 effectively; and
 - b. comply with any enforcement undertakings accepted by Monitor under section 106 of the 2012 Act in connection with those issues.
- 2) The issues referred to in paragraph 1 are issues relating to the Trust’s governance or operations, including any issues identified in any external review of its governance or financial governance, which have caused or contributed to, or are causing or contributing to, or which may cause or contribute to breaches, or the risk of breach of the conditions of the licence.
- 3) For the purposes of paragraph 1, an issue is addressed effectively only if it is addressed by the time required by any enforcement undertaking, including any time specified by any person appointed to conduct a Board governance and leadership review.

NHS Improvement has decided it is appropriate to remove this additional licence condition, as from the date of this notice, for the following reasons:

- a. The Licensee has made improvements through the strengthening of board and management capacity capability alongside making equivalent improvements to its governance systems and processes.
- b. The improvements made include the appointment of a substantive Chief Executive officer in March 2020 alongside the appointment of a Managing Director in July 2020 and a new Medical Director.
- c. The Trust is also now chaired via a joint appointment with North Tees and Hartlepool NHS Foundation Trust which provides strong opportunities for ensuring sustainable health and care services across the Tees Valley system.
- d. The above leadership changes have already demonstrated their impact through both the improved grip and control of organisational performance as well as progressing key strategic transformation plans in the Tees Valley system including the clinical services strategy work.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "T Savage". The letter "T" is simple and blocky, while "Savage" is written in a cursive, flowing script.

Signed:

Tim Savage, Director of Finance – North East & Yorkshire on behalf of
Regional Provider Support Group, NHS England/NHS Improvement

Date: 27 April 2021