

To The Board

For meeting on: 27 September 2018

Agenda item: 11

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Report on: Corporate Report

Introduction

1. The Corporate Report brings together reports of all of NHS Improvement's Board committees. This report summarises the committees' activity since the last meeting of the Board, which took place on 26 July 2018.

Audit and Risk Assurance Committee meeting – 3 July 2018

2. Dive Risk Review: Medical Directorate: The Committee considered a deep dive risk review on how risks are managed in the Medical Directorate and commended the robustness of the processes and the link to Medical Directorate's ability to deliver objectives in NHS Improvement's remit letter from the Department of Health and Social Care and the organisations business plan.
3. Q1 Risk Report: The Committee noted the report and received an update on directorate and regional risks. It was noted that the 'Red Amber Green' (RAG) risk ratings differed between directorates and between directorates and the national, with some regions being more risk averse than others and scoring their risks much higher. This would be addressed once the new directorate structures were in place. The Committee discussed the risk of disruption to business as usual activity during integration with NHS England and whether it ought to be a separate risk on the strategic risk register.
4. Internal audit progress report: The Committee considered the report which provided an update on progress against the internal audit plan for 2018/19 and approved the request to defer the culture internal audit review to the 2019/20 internal audit plan but requested that further consideration be given to not deferring the review of succession planning and for it to be carried out as an advisory piece in Q4 of 2018/19.
5. Internal audit reports: The Committee received internal audit reports on National Information Security Directive (NISD) and Value for Money (VfM).

6. Internal audit action update: The Committee considered the report which provided assurance that recommendations raised in internal audit reports had been addressed.
7. Draft minutes of the meeting are attached as Confidential Annex A.

Recommendation

8. The Board is asked to note recent committee activity.