

To:	Trust Board
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Healthcare standard	

Title:	Winter Plan 2017/18				
Author/Responsible Director: Chief Operating Officer					
Purpose of the Report: To inform the Board of the Trust wide Winter Plan sets out the organisations arrangements for the winter period.					
The Report is provided to the Board for:					
Decision		<input type="checkbox"/>	Discussion		<input type="checkbox"/>
Assurance		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Information		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Summary/Key Points:					
<p>Winter is not an emergency or considered an unusual event, but recognised as a period of increased pressure due to demand both in the clinical acuity of the patients and the capacity demands on resources within the trust. In addition, the winter period often brings with it untoward events such as widespread infectious diseases including Norovirus and there is the risk of the onset of the unusual such as pandemic flu. Each year, all sites experience increased pressure in patient flow.</p> <p>The Winter Plan prepares the organisation with support from the Health and Care Community in Lincolnshire to:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • focus on admission avoidance schemes and ambulatory care pathways • create the capacity to meet increased demand • link the Trust Winter Plan to the Lincolnshire System Resilience Plan • robustly performance manage the system to maintain quality, activity, safety and experience <p>Much of this plan echoes the urgent care improvement plan being worked on throughout Q1-Q2 as part of the Lincolnshire Urgent Care System escalation process.</p> <p>Unlike previous years, 2017-18 will see no increase in bed capacity, and therefore</p>					

solutions described in this plan are purely based on demand management, efficiency and improvement of flow and throughput.	
Recommendations:	
The Board are asked to note the Winter Plan	
Strategic Risk Register	Performance KPIs year to date
Resource Implications (eg Financial, HR)	
Assurance Implications	
Patient and Public Involvement (PPI) Implications	
Equality Impact	
Information exempt from Disclosure	
Requirement for further review?	