

<b>To:</b>	Trust Board
<b>From:</b>	Lucy Ettridge
<b>Date:</b>	3 October 2017
<b>Essential Standards:</b>	

<b>Title:</b>	ULHT innovation report – Clinical research facility gives over 500 patients hope in its first year
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**Purpose of the Report:** To provide the Board with an update on innovation projects, service improvements and good news from across the organisation.

**The Report is provided to the Board for:**

Decision		Discussion	
Assurance		Information	

**Summary/Key Points:**

- ULHT’s clinical research facility at Pilgrim Hospital recently celebrated its first birthday and the news it has recruited more than 500 patients onto trials over the last year.
- Clinical research in Lincolnshire’s hospitals has gone from strength to strength in recent years.
- Last year across the Trust, almost 2,000 people took part in 198 trials, including the 541 patients at the Boston clinical research facility who say following trails, they have had a second chance at life.
- Areas of current research include oncology, haematology, stroke, cardiology, paediatrics, dermatology, diabetes, midwifery, ophthalmology, respiratory, anaesthesia, general surgery, gastroenterology, and orthopaedics.
- Patients say the opportunity to try pioneering treatments has given them hope and a personal support network.
- We are now planning to do more of our own research, as well as being a centre for national trials and we are also looking at taking part in some phase one trials.
- Research will be a key focus of the emerging national centre for rural health and care. A project team lead has now been appointed and we are pursuing partnerships with third party organisations to launch the centre next year.

**Recommendations:**  
To note

<b>Strategic Risk Register</b>	<b>Performance KPIs year to date</b>
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**Resource Implications (e.g. Financial, HR)**

<b>Assurance Implications:</b>
<b>Patient and Public Involvement (PPI) Implications.</b>
<b>Equality Impact</b>
<b>Information exempt from Disclosure</b>
<b>Requirement for further review?</b>