

2021/22

Declarations required by General condition 6 and Continuity of Service condition 7 of the NHS provider licence

The board are required to respond "Confirmed" or "Not confirmed" to the following statements (please select 'not confirmed' if confirming another option). Explanatory information should be provided where required.

1 & 2 General condition 6 - Systems for compliance with licence conditions (FTs and NHS trusts)

1 Following a review for the purpose of paragraph 2(b) of licence condition G6, the Directors of the Licensee are satisfied that, in the Financial Year most recently ended, the Licensee took all such precautions as were necessary in order to comply with the conditions of the licence, any requirements imposed on it under the NHS Acts and have had regard to the NHS Constitution.

Confirmed

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3 Continuity of services condition 7 - Availability of Resources (FTs designated CRS only)

EITHER:

3a After making enquiries the Directors of the Licensee have a reasonable expectation that the Licensee will have the Required Resources available to it after taking account distributions which might reasonably be expected to be declared or paid for the period of 12 months referred to in this certificate.

Confirmed

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OR

3b After making enquiries the Directors of the Licensee have a reasonable expectation, subject to what is explained below, that the Licensee will have the Required Resources available to it after taking into account in particular (but without limitation) any distribution which might reasonably be expected to be declared or paid for the period of 12 months referred to in this certificate. However, they would like to draw attention to the following factors (as described in the text box below) which may cast doubt on the ability of the Licensee to provide Commissioner Requested Services.

OR

3c In the opinion of the Directors of the Licensee, the Licensee will not have the Required Resources available to it for the period of 12 months referred to in this certificate.

Statement of main factors taken into account in making the above declaration

In making the above declaration, the main factors which have been taken into account by the Board of Directors are as follows:

- The Trust's accounts for 2021/22 have been prepared on the going concern basis and this has been agreed by the external auditor as appropriate;
- Assurance has been received from external auditors in relation to the annual accounts and from internal auditors regarding the Trust's financial systems and processes;
- The Trust Board and executive management receive regular updates on staffing numbers and risks and issues relating to the Trust's estate and infrastructure (including, for example, diagnostic capacity and operating theatres);
- The Trust's Board Assurance Framework specifically highlights the risk linked to the breadth and complexity of the Trust's strategic agenda, but the controls in place to manage this have been assessed as 'sufficient';
- The Trust's 2022/23 business planning round has examined staffing and physical resources in detail as part of the elective recovery programme, with work under way to bolster these in certain areas; and
- The COVID-19 pandemic has not impacted on the Trust's compliance with the above requirements.

Signed on behalf of the board of directors, and, in the case of Foundation Trusts, having regard to the views of the governors

Signature 

Signature 

Name: Sir Hugh Taylor

Name: Professor Ian Abbs

Capacity: Chairman

Capacity: Chief Executive

Date: 17 June 2022

Date: 21 June 2022

Further explanatory information should be provided below where the Board has been unable to confirm declarations under G6.

N/a