# **NHS Highland**



#### SUMMARY REPORT OF GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

Name of Committee	Clinical Governance Committee
Date of Meeting	4 September 2025
Committee Chair	Karen Leach

#### **KEY POINTS FROM DISCUSSION AND ESCALATION**

#### **ALERT**

• NDAS Service – Progress against challenging position noted, including by NDAS Programme Board. Use of Whole Family Wellbeing Fund and associated communications workstream noted. Update received on prioritisation activity.

#### **ASSURE**

- Dentistry State of Play and Impact on Acute Services Item deferred.
- Patient Experience and Feedback Moderate.
- Clinical Governance Quality and Performance Data/Annual NHSH Complaints Report Moderate.
- Argyll and Bute Update Moderate.
- **Highland HSCP Update –** Moderate.
- **Acute Update** Moderate, noting aspects relating to Diabetes Services and wide recruitment. Acknowledged Breast Baby Feeding Gold Status Award.
- ICYPCGG Moderate, noting current service and staffing considerations.
- Infection Prevention and Control varying levels of assurance outlined taken.
- Annual Delivery Plan 2025/26 and Scottish Government Operational Improvement Plan Update – Substantial, recognising range and level work of all staff members involved.

#### **ADVISE**

- **Primary Care Workforce Survey –** Noted to be taken forward as part of Primary Care Strategy activity.
- Partnership Governance Discussion Noted as ongoing dialogue with deep dive.
- **Vascular Services Update** Noted presentation and summary of progress. To be removed from agenda as no longer to be Standing Item.
- **Public Protection Infrastructure** Noted strong support to date, recruitment to first Lead position of three, and involvement of Director of Midwifery.
- **Patient Experience and Feedback** Noted options to replace Care Opinion being considered. Paper to be submitted to EDG on continued use.
- Research, Development and Innovation Annual Report 2025 Noted the range of activity involved, ongoing and planned activity, and wider impact elements.

## **RISKS**

None highlighted.

## **ACTIONS**

- Organ and Tissue Donation Committee Six Month Update Deferred.
- Duty of Candour Annual Report Deferred.
- Realistic Medicine Annual Update Deferred.

## **LEARNING**

• **Receipt of Committee Papers** – Again highlighted need for Committee reports to be submitted timeously.