



Health and Social Care Information Centre

Board Meeting

Part 1 - Public Session

Title of Paper:	Directions for "Assuring Transformation" Data Collection (Learning Disability) – for ratification
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Purpose of the paper:	To seek ratification of the Chair's approval (provided on 30 December 2014) for the Directions from NHS England for the transfer of the "Assuring Transformation" data collection from NHS England to the HSCIC from January 2015.
Risks and Issues:	<p>In the event of the HSCIC taking on the monthly data collection from the end of January 2015 without sufficient time between communication to the service and the initiation of data collection, there is a risk that this shorter window may contribute adversely to the potential data quality issues, which will result in reputational risk to the HSCIC.</p> <p>This risk has reduced following the publication of the Information Standards Notice to providers on 5 January 2015, but will still be monitored closely.</p>
Patient/Public Interest:	<p>Indirect, but significant public and ministerial interest in the delivery of care by Learning Disability service providers, following the Winterbourne View incident.</p> <p>This is an existing collection and it is expected that the new approach to collection will reduce burden, not increase it.</p>
Actions required by the Board:	<p>To ratify the Chair's action to approve the "Assuring Transformation" Directions.</p> <p>To note that lessons learned activities are underway to identify changes to process and communications between partners to ensure that future data collections are established in a more streamline and timely manner.</p>