

Trust Board Report

Meeting Date:	18 April 2011
Title:	Eliminating Mixed Sex accommodation – Declaration of Compliance.
Executive Summary:	The attached report provides the statements placed on respective websites for both RWHT and PCT compliance with EMSA guidance.
Action Requested:	The Board note the report and ratify the statement relating to RWHT.
Report of:	Director of Nursing & Midwifery
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Resource Implications:	None.
Public or Private: (with reasons if private)	
References: (e.g. from/to other committees)	
Appendices/ References/ Background Reading	Appendix 1- RWHT Declaration Appendix 2 – Wolverhampton City PCT Declaration
NHS Constitution: (How it impacts on any decision-making)	In determining this matter, the Board should have regard to the Core principles contained in the Constitution of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✚ Equality of treatment and access to services ✚ High standards of excellence and professionalism ✚ Service user preferences ✚ Cross community working ✚ Best Value ✚ Accountability through local influence and scrutiny

Background Details	
1	<p>From April 2011 sleeping breaches in mixed sex accommodation is a high level Key Performance Indicator in the <i>2011 Operating Framework for the NHS in England</i>. In both RWHT and Wolverhampton PCT implementation plans have been developed for some time and implemented to work towards ensuring single sex sleeping accommodation at both New Cross and West Park sites.</p> <p>The Department of Health has provided guidance in the form of a template for organisations to use for the declaration and both organisations' declarations are compliant with this guidance.</p> <p>The Department of Health required organisations to publish declarations of compliance (or not) on the respective organisation's website from April 2010. This is therefore the second declaration made but the first where RWHT include the PCT's declaration. From next year a single integrated declaration will be made post TCS integration.</p> <p>The declarations are attached in appendix 1 and 2.</p>

Eliminating Mixed- Sex Accommodation

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The Royal Wolverhampton Hospitals NHS Trust is pleased to confirm that we are compliant with the Government's requirements to eliminate mixed-sex accommodation, except when it is in the patient's overall best interest, or reflects their personal choice.

We have the necessary facilities, resources and culture to ensure that patients who are admitted to our hospitals will only share the room where they sleep with members of the same sex, and that same sex toilets and bathrooms will be close to their bed area. Sharing with members of the opposite sex will only happen when clinically necessary (for example where patients need specialist equipment such as in the intensive care unit, high care areas on wards and recovery bay in theatre), or when patients actively choose to share (renal unit, rheumatology unit, chemotherapy unit and paediatrics).

If our care should fall short of the required standard we will report it. We will also set up an audit mechanism to make sure that we do not misclassify any of our reports. We will publish results of that audit at Trust Board and Quality Review meetings with commissioners.



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Wolverhampton City Primary care Trust is pleased to confirm that we are compliant with the Government's requirement to eliminate mixed-sex accommodation, except when it is in the patient's overall best interest, or reflects their personal choice. We have the necessary facilities, resources and culture to ensure that patients who are admitted to our hospitals will only share the room where they sleep with members of the same sex, and same-sex toilets and bathrooms will be close to their bed area. Sharing with members of the opposite sex will only happen when clinically necessary or when patients actively choose to share.

If our care should fall short of the required standard, we will report it. We will also set up an audit mechanism to make sure that we do not misclassify any of our reports. We will publish the results of that audit in June 2011 in our Quality Counts, our annual report on the quality of services which we provide.

**Same-Sex
Accommodation**
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