

MINUTES OF MEETING OF RCSI HG BOARD HELD ON 16th NOVEMBER 2018 AT 8.00 IN THE ROBERT SMITH ROOM, RCSI

PRESENT:

Ms. Anne Maher - AM
 Mr Colm McGrattan - CMcG
 Dr Donal de Buitléir - DdeB
 Mr Douglas Keatinge - DK
 Prof Helen Roche - HR
 Dr Maria Wilson Browne - MWB
 Prof Cathal Kelly - CK

IN ATTENDANCE:

Mr. Ian Carter	Chief Executive
Ms Sheila McGuinness	Chief Operations Officer
Mr Rory Farrelly	Chief Director of Nursing and Midwifery
Mr Chris Kenny	Chief Financial Officer

APOLOGIES:

Prof Anthony Cunningham
 Mr Enda Connolly
 Prof Paddy Broe

<i>Opening Remarks</i>	The Chair opened the meeting.
<i>Declarations of Conflicts of Interest Agenda Item 1</i>	The Chair enquired if any Board member wished to declare any conflict of interest in relation to the Agenda. No declarations declared. Apologies were noted from Prof Anthony Cunningham, Prof Paddy Broe and Mr Enda Connolly.
<i>Approval of Minutes 12.10.18 Item 2</i>	Minutes of the 12 th October 2018 meeting agreed.
<i>Matters Arising Item 3</i>	None
<i>Chair Update Item 4</i>	The Chair on behalf of the Board extended her sympathies to Mr Connolly and family on their recent bereavement. Media <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - An Taoiseach acknowledged the work done by RCSI HG in a recent opinion piece published in the Irish Times. CK commended the Group CEO / SMT in relationship to the Groups progress and performance to date. - Positive article published noting 100% of premature babies born at 28 weeks at the Rotunda Hospital survived in 2017. National Recruitment Hospital Group CEO posts <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - interviews for Hospital Group CEO posts (excluding RCSI and CHG) scheduled for January 2019. Director General <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - interview process underway. Mr John Connaghan, Director General to remain in post until the summer 2019.

	<p>Reports</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Report on Review of Voluntary Hospitals in Health service undertaken - report imminent. - Report on Expanding Public Activity in Public Hospitals and Disentangling the Public Private mix in Public Hospitals - report imminent - Report on Geographic Alignment of Community Healthcare Organisations and Hospital Groups - report pending. Outcome of report may effect current Group geographical construct. <p>IC & AM Meeting with CHOs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Meeting with CHOs to be convened. <p>RCSI HG Strategy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Strategy document to be tabled / discussed at January 19 Board meeting. Documentation to be disseminated to Board members prior to meeting. Meeting time to be extended to facilitate discussion. - Minister Harris to be invited to Strategy launch - Q1 19 												
<i>CEO Report Item 5</i>	<p>CEO's Report Tabled and Key Points Included:</p> <p>Macro Activity cumulative trends</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>ED attendances (new)</td> <td>- 4.9% increase</td> <td>September YTD (n = 6305)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Emergency Admissions</td> <td>- 2.4% increase</td> <td>September YTD (n = 963)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Other Emergency Admissions</td> <td>- 6.4% reduction</td> <td>September YTD (n = 1480)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Elective Admissions</td> <td>- 1.4% increase</td> <td>September YTD (n = 115)</td> </tr> </table> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - performance improvement demonstrated Beaumont Hospital 5.8% increase / Cavan 0.4% increase / OLOL 2.2% increase <p>Day Care attendances - 2.3% increase September YTD (n = 2125)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - performance improvement demonstrated Cavan 13.1% / Beaumont 3.2% <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - IP/DC total volume / > 12 month volume reductions demonstrated across all group sites. - OPD total volume / > 12 month volume reductions demonstrated across all group sites. <p>Finance - projected outturn</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Group projects breakeven position for 2018 assuming receipt of additional agreed funding. - supplementary funding being discussed with AHD. - additionally, patient income continues to fall due to ongoing Private Health Insurance disputes. Particular impact on Voluntaries cash position is evident. Impact on Group debtor position discussed and consequent cash difficulties. Analysis for next Board. - 2019 position early indications 1 - 2% deficit. <p>Waiting List Initiative</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - contract agreed and progressing - at this time projected that activity targets will be achieved. <p>Winter Planning (November - September)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Winter Plan submitted (August) still awaiting agreement / resourcing from HSE. 	ED attendances (new)	- 4.9% increase	September YTD (n = 6305)	Emergency Admissions	- 2.4% increase	September YTD (n = 963)	Other Emergency Admissions	- 6.4% reduction	September YTD (n = 1480)	Elective Admissions	- 1.4% increase	September YTD (n = 115)
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<i>Key Performance Metrics Item 6</i>	<p>Key Performance Metrics - September 2018</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - tabled and noted. 												

<p><i>Finance Report Agenda Item 7</i></p>	<p>The Finance Report for September 2018 was tabled:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - the Group project a break even position v's gross budget 2018 assuming receipt of outstanding funding commitments. - in addition, projected patient income deficit €12m driven by Private Health Insurance disputes over current legislation. Expected income claw back by VHI has not materialised to date.
<p><i>CD Report Item 8</i></p>	<p>Clinical Directors Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - tabled and noted.
<p><i>Any other business Item 11</i></p>	<p>GP Liaison</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - GP Liaison Forum in process of establishment to build on ongoing engagement with two nominated GP's. <p>RCSI Support</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - CK reconfirmed that the RCSI resources and expertise are available to work with the Group to support academic and quality improvement agenda. <p>Board Meeting Dates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dates for 2019 circulated / agreed. <p>Health (Regulation of Termination of Pregnancy) Bill 2018</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Government is aiming to have this service in place, and available by the beginning of 2019. Plan being developed by Group for the Implementation of a Model of Care for Termination of Pregnancy once model is finalised.
<p><i>Date of next meeting</i></p>	<p>It was agreed that the next meeting would take place on Friday, 11th January 2019 at 8am.</p>

Signed: _____

Date: _____