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Date:	27 March 2019	**Attachment Number:**	**9(iv)**
Title of Report:	**Mortality Scorecard to February 2019**		
Purpose of the report and the key issues for consideration/decision:	To outline currently available mortality data and provide assurance that the Trust remains within the acceptable range in line with national requirements. Key issues: • During February 2019 there were 61 deaths, 11 of which occurred within 'day one' of admission. • Peer benchmarking is current to December 2018. • Details of the latest SHMI release for the period October 2017 to September 2018 are refreshed with relative risk 'as expected.' In those diagnoses which account for around 41% of the 996 deaths that occurred in the above period, there were fewer deaths than 'expected' in the risk model for pneumonia, septicaemia, acute cerebrovascular disease and congestive heart failure. Appendix 1 details further information.		
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Strategic Objective(s) supported by this paper:

Financial Sustainability		**Empower & Engage Staff**	
Quality of Care	x		

Is this on the Trust's risk register:

No	x	**Yes**		**If Yes, Score**	

Which CQC Standards apply to this report: Effective domain

Have all implications related to this report been considered: (please X)

Finance Revenue & Capital		**Equality & Diversity**	X
National Policy/Legislation	X	**Patient Experience**	X
Human Resources		**Terms of Authorisation**	
Governance & Risk Management (BAF)		**Other:**	

Action Required: (please X)

Approve		**Discuss**		**Receive for information**	X	**Decision**	

Previously Considered By:

N/A	**Date:**	

Recommendations: The Board of Directors is asked to receive and discuss the issues within Appendix 1.

Mortality Scorecard: to February 2019

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Description	Aggregate Position	Trend/ Special Process Control	Variation

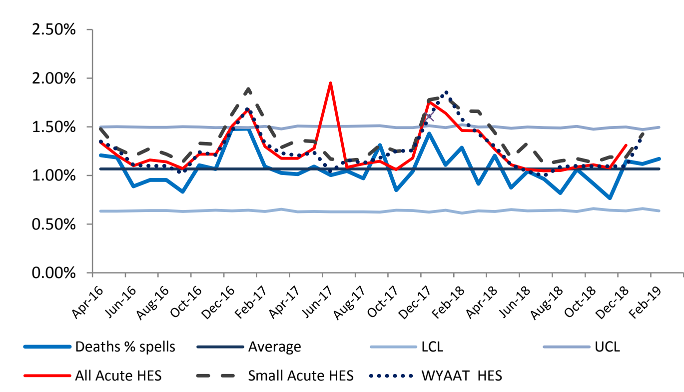
Crude Mortality

Description: Crude mortality rate shows the number of deaths per 100 hospital episodes of care from admission to discharge (spell).

Aggregate Position: Crude mortality is consistently below the national rate for all providers. Peer benchmarking - **England, Small Acute & WYAAT -** is two months in arrears. In the UK there is a long-term downward trend in crude mortality; winter mortality was higher than usual in early 2017 and 2018.

Latest monthly rate is **1.17%** of all episodes of care. The rate is within control limits based on the local average for the period.

Source: CHKS icompare

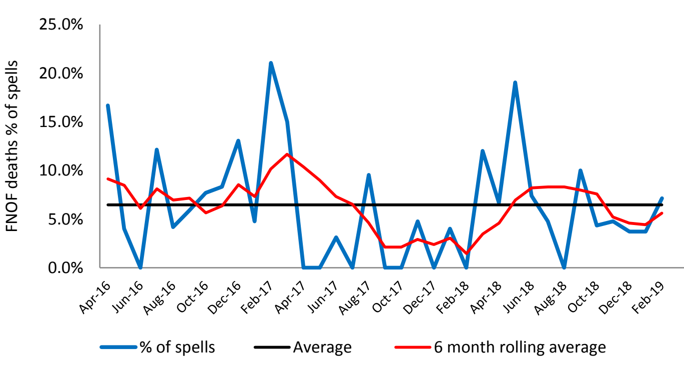


Variation:

February 2019:
Overall number of deaths: **61**
> Planned admissions: **0**
> Maternal death: **0**
> Neonatal and/or perinatal deaths [≤ 28 days]: **0**
> Paediatric death: **0**
> Clinical Coding Software [CCS] Group fracture neck of femur [FNOF]: **1** [see below for long- term trend]

Crude Mortality - CCS FNOF

The chart opposite shows the number of deaths per 100 hospital episodes of care from admission to discharge (spell) and is based on the clinical coding software (CCS) diagnosis group for FNOF. In order to assess trends with a comparatively small number of events, a rolling average can be clearer (denoted by the red line). Each point on the following graph represents the average rate for the six months that precede the month on the 'x'-axis.



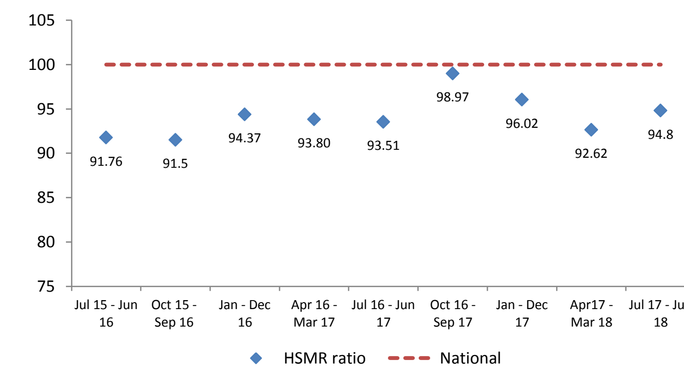
Between April 2017 the rolling average demonstrates six consecutive downward points and a shift below the dataset average which was maintained until May 2018.

Hospital Standardised Mortality Ratio - HSMR

Description: The ratio of the actual number of patients who die following hospitalisation at a trust with the number that would be expected to die on the basis of average England figures for 56 diagnosis groups and given the characteristics of patients treated. It is estimated that around 80% of all deaths occur in these diagnosis groups.

Aggregate Position: The HSMR ratio from **Jul 17 to Jun 2018** shows an "as expected" relative risk when compared to other organisations nationally (denoted by the red dash line) .

Source: Dr Foster Intelligence



Variation:

HSMR = **94.8** [Within expected range]
Total deaths = **587**

Emergency weekday HSMR = **91.11** [Within expected range]
Deaths following acute admission = **407**

Emergency weekend HSMR = **102.62** [Within expected range]
Deaths following acute admission = **144**

Mortality in low risk groups = **0.42** [Within expected range]. National: **0.49**
Deaths in this group = **9**

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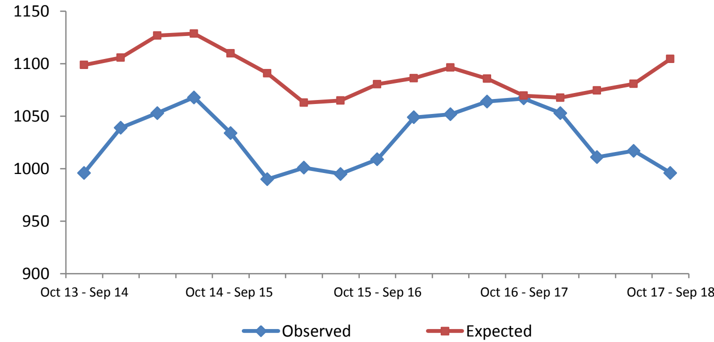
Summary Hospital level Mortality Indicator - SHMI

The ratio of actual deaths and the number expected to die within 30 days of discharge from hospital on the basis of average England figures, given the characteristics of the patients treated. The indicator is updated quarterly and based on a rolling one year and released six months in arrears.

The SHMI ratio for **Oct 2017 to Sep 2018** is **0.90 and is banded 2 or as expected.** Values below one suggest a lower than expected number of deaths. A method of banding or control limit is used to help decide if a SHMI ratio exceeds expected limits.

Source: NHS Digital

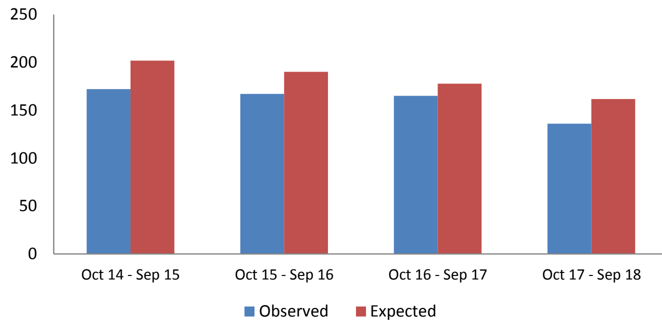


NHS Digital Health generate charts for some of the individual SHMI diagnosis groups to provide information on variation within a diagnosis group over times. Triggers are generated when a run of patient outcomes trend outside of the expected level. **In the period Oct 17 to Sep 18 there were fewer deaths than expected for the following diagnoses: myocardial infarction & pneumonia.** Alerts should not be immediately interpreted as indicating good or poor performance, only that further investigation is warranted.

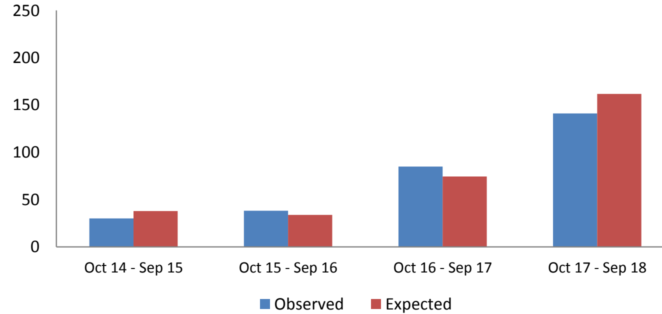
SHMI: diagnoses groups with highest number of deaths October 2017 to September 2018

The following diagnosis groups account for around 41% of the 996 deaths that occurred in the above period. Where deaths are greater than expected, it should be noted that this does not necessarily mean that these are avoidable deaths. As illustrated below, the expected is re-calibrated and the risk model for doing this should be factored into any appraisal.

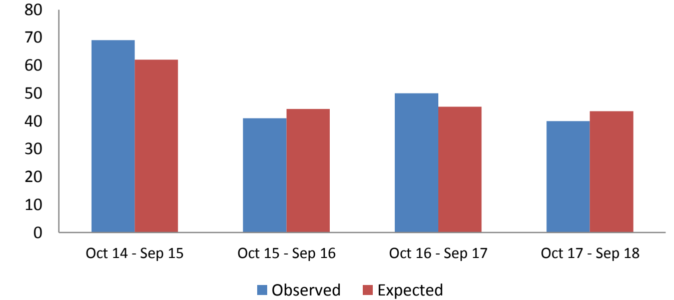
1. Pneumonia



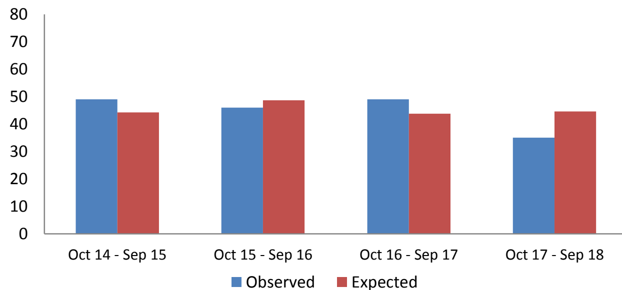
2. Septicaemia



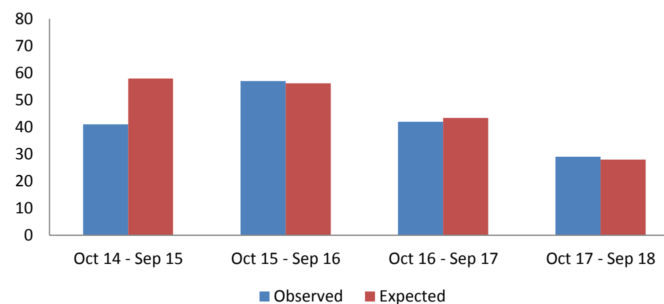
3. Acute cerebrovascular



4. Congestive heart failure



5. Urinary tract infection



6. Fracture neck of femur [FNOF]