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Self-Certification Template - Conditions G6 and CoS7

University Hospital Southampton NHS Foundation Trust

Insert name of organisation



Foundation Trusts and NHS trusts are required to make the following self-certifications to NHS Improvement:

Systems or compliance with licence conditions - in accordance with General condition 6 of the NHS provider licence

Availability of resources and accompanying statement - in accordance with Continuity of Services condition 7 of the NHS provider licence (Foundation Trusts designated CRS providers only)

These self-certifications are set out in this template.

How to use this template

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Declarations required by General condition 6 and Continuity of Service condition 7 of the NHS provider licence

The board are required to respond "Confirmed" or "Not confirmed" to the following statements (please select 'not confirmed' if confirming another option). Explanatory information should be provided where required.

1 & 2 General condition 6 - Systems for compliance with licence conditions (FTs and NHS trusts)

1 Following a review for the purpose of paragraph 2(b) of licence condition G6, the Directors of the Licensee are satisfied that, in the Financial Year most recently ended, the Licensee took all such precautions as were necessary in order to comply with the conditions of the licence, any requirements imposed on it under the NHS Acts and have had regard to the NHS Constitution.

Confirmed OK

3 Continuity of services condition 7 - Availability of Resources (FTs designated CRS only)

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3a After making enquiries the Directors of the Licensee have a reasonable expectation that the Licensee will have the Required Resources available to it after taking account distributions which might reasonably be expected to be declared or paid for the period of 12 months referred to in this certificate.

OR

3b After making enquiries the Directors of the Licensee have a reasonable expectation, subject to what is explained below, that the Licensee will have the Required Resources available to it after taking into account in particular (but without limitation) any distribution which might reasonably be expected to be declared or paid for the period of 12 months referred to in this certificate. However, they would like to draw attention to the following factors (as described in the text box below) which may cast doubt on the ability of the Licensee to provide Commissioner Requested Services.

Confirmed Please fill details in cell E22

OR

3c In the opinion of the Directors of the Licensee, the Licensee will not have the Required Resources available to it for the period of 12 months referred to in this certificate.

Statement of main factors taken into account in making the above declaration

In making the above declaration, the main factors which have been taken into account by the Board of Directors are as follows:

At the time of making this declaration the board of directors was conscious of a number of uncertainties that could affect the Trust's ability to provide the Commissioner Requested Services. These included the continuation of the COVID-19 pandemic, the lack of clarity on funding beyond the first six months of 2021/22 due to national planning processes, the short-term nature of resourcing for non-elective recovery and activity and the levels of demand for elective and non-elective activity as both emergency department attendances and referrals for elective activity were increasing.

Risks to the availability of Required Resources have been highlighted in the Trust's operating plan and budget and relate to activity and demand management and staffing and system capacity. These risks have been recorded in the Trust's risk register and are regularly monitored and reviewed together with the associated plans to manage and address these risks.

In approving its operating plan and budget the board of directors has taken into account the cash and reserves of the Trust, which would enable it to allocate additional resources as required, and the Trust has agreed contracts in place with commissioners for the provision of services and cost improvement plans covering this period. The Trust and other NHS and social care providers are also working collaboratively as part of the Hampshire and Isle of Wight integrated care system to address the issues of demand and activity on a collective basis.

Signed on behalf of the board of directors, and, in the case of Foundation Trusts, having regard to the views of the governors

Signature

Signature

Name Peter Hollins

Name David French

Capacity Chair

Capacity Chief Executive Officer

Date 01 September 2021

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Further explanatory information should be provided below where the Board has been unable to confirm declarations under G6.