Strictly Private & Confidential: NNU Options Appraisal 08/09/16

<u>Option</u>	Employment Considerations	Clinical Considerations
Retain in current redeployed role within Risk team for extended period (e.g. until written review received, further clinical case review)	 Delaying re-integration into the team. Potential evidence towards constructive dismissal claim. De-skills members of staff for further period. 	 Longer a nurse is our of clinical practice the more difficult it will be to retrain and maintain competencies to go back into the clinical area Potential lack of confident when put back into the clinical area
Re-integrate back within NNU in original role with review of competencies	 Mitigates evidence towards potential constructive dismissal claim. Risk that still undertaking role within ITU/HDU. Potential risks of whistleblowing from other staff members regarding reinstatement. 	 Staff member will be exposed to looking after all levels of baby from the onset Individual may feel under pressure in looking after the ITU/HDU babies NNU Practice Development Sister in place to support will competency compliance
Re-integrate back within NNU with clinical supervision and review of competencies	 Mitigates evidence towards potential constructive dismissal claim. Risk that still undertaking role within ITU/HDU. Potential risks of whistleblowing from other staff members regarding reinstatement. Capacity of senior nursing team to support clinical supervision. 	 Clinical supervision may be difficult given the current staffing challenges Potential impact on the rest of the clinical team and pressure to support one individual continually.
Re-integrate back within NNU without ITU/HDU duties whilst competencies reviewed (e.g. 3 months)	 Mitigates evidence towards potential constructive dismissal claim. Reduces risk level whilst competency review undertaken. 	 NNU Practice Development Sister in place to support competency assessment and compliance This situation creates a less stressful

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	 Reasonable actions to integrate back into role with support. Mitigates potential risks in relation to clinical supervision capacity and ITU/HDU interaction, until competencies reviewed and signed off. 	 environment in which to review and achieve clinical competencies This approach is consistent in terms of practice elsewhere across the Trust in respect of integrating a member of nursing staff back into a clinical area/team
Extended secondment/ redeployment into the risk team for 12 months whilst review of structure / competencies	 Provides supportive environment whilst further reviews of unit. Reduces potential risks of whistleblowing from other staff members regarding reinstatement. Delaying re-integration into the team. Potential evidence towards constructive dismissal claim. De-skills members of staff for extended period. 	 The longer the staff member is out of clinical practice, the less likely they will be able to be integrated back into clinical practice The above would limit future clinical employment options (already limited because of specialist skills/area)
Disciplinary Investigation undertaken	 Formal process to understand ground / no grounds for disciplinary. Clarity of what evidence is required. Clarity of what has changed to commence investigation is required. 	
Whistleblowing / Speak out Safely concern raised – fact finding / investigation required: Grounds for Disciplinary investigation No grounds for Disciplinary investigation	 Consider concerns raised under Speak out Safely (Raising concerns about patient safety and whistleblowing) policy. Undertake fact finding to assess if grounds for disciplinary investigation. Mitigates potential risks raised by other members of staff regarding whistleblowing. Mitigates potential unfair dismissal claims from other members of staff. Reputational risk. 	
Resignation & constructive dismissal claim	 Member of staff resigns on breach of contract / trust & confidence. Potential claim (circa £ 1&S) plus costs. 	