

THURS. 14. JULY. 2016 12:30pm. DN 18. DO'N. J.W. RH. TC.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MT. BOARD ROOM. AK Steve B. Ravi.

1. AGENDAS. Andrew H. Sue Ed. O. IH. LB. RF. SIMON. SR.

2. REVIEW & CONSIDER POSITION OF NEONATE UNIT. CR. NOTES.

• Intro by TC

• Presentation from IH. (Slide show)

+ looked at rota's shifts. - 10'd a no q shift but one in particular Nurse L.L. (context)

How do we assure unit safe going forward?

Ravi. Deal with high risk babies - can usually spot trends - concern not no. of deaths but babies were not the ones expected to die. i.e. they were stable & did not respond to timely & correct intervention - this made us worried. We hv. looked & won't find anything.

Unit getting busier - strain & stress on staff.

Trained staff - limited resource.

Lower staff, higher risk will contribute BUT still concerns.

Steve B. PM's have not been helpful.

Temple amount of work on data.

BUT no neonatal expert has looked at it.

Activity levels HOUFITU - comparable

Compliant with BNFUM standards.

Strains in system. As clinical body

I don't see any changes in activity

& admissions do not account for increase in mortality.

Ravi. Elephant in room - 1 member of staff.

Clinicians - scientific. No evidence but

association of this 1 nurse.

Manage uncertainty. Hunches.

As a clinical body uncomfortable with Nurse LL.

Ravi.

Discussed with obstet.

Are we killing babies.

Could be! Needs to be included in remit.

Lost my ability to be objective.

TC.

Hyposis - deliberate harm only explanation.

But cannot be the only -

How seen data, pressure on staff.

- PLT staff. Not comparing apples with apples.

Seriously - yes v. seriously.

Proportionate actions to date.

Q of competence - too big a step to criminal.

↳ medical (clinicians) & nurses

Nurse LL. - supervision. He is outline

Increased security - review.

Need to explore data more. Continue review.

J.G. has assisted Shillbome?

T of Rel. for external review incl. competence of all key staff.

Unanimous view yesterday - consultants felt.

Proportionate actions to date.

Elephant in room - Nurse LL.

Steve B. 2014. Best. peri-natal mortality - lower

Below national average in 2014.

Murring staff - thematic review.

Noted deaths bet. 12m/night - 6am.

Further secondary review.

Ed not ID. any changes in nursing obs, results, blood gases etc.

Competence does not seem to be the issue

Incompetence wd hv. been picked up.

No issues raised over competence.

Ravi. No right or wrong things to do!

RAV1.

Actions agreed.

Lower grade of unit.

Nurse LL direct supervision - impact on unit.

Camera's - proportionate. Holding measure.

Warning - subjective of each consultant.

If inconclusive review. Where next.

Are we delaying nuclear option of informing Police.

1H. I approached College 18/19 Aug. Review.

4 reviewers. Neonatologist. Lead Nurse Neonates.

Law - Barakher NMC chair.

Fitness to practice. Med expert.

Need to assess.

Pressure / activity on unit - must not set up to fail.

DN Perspectives.

James W. No evidence to Nurse LL or to contrary.

Substantially changed since NED mky.

Understand stakes.

Impact on individual.

Nurse LL is being put under supervision.

Why not exclude Nurse & report to Police?

Significant disquiet from Consultant?

Steve B. Considerable disquiet - mky. last night.

Dragging it on.

Victims (parents) & morale rock bottom.

--- (nurses)

Element of anxiety.

Defiant & discomfort.

R2. How long Nurse LL in post.

Steve B. 2012. 1st post.

R2. Gov plan v. Accident?

1H. Warning one or the other.

R2. Any concern about her practice?

Not a long time qualified.

Steve B. No concern re: Nurse LL.

She was congratulated re: triplets.

Competency not been flagged up.

RH. Taking up James' point.

practically - how can Nurse LL work

under supervision. Is this fair?

1H. If Dr. assessment, mediation, requalification.

If difficulty - support.

Until today no-one sat down with Nurse

Must not set up to fail.

Nights to day, for support which never happened.

ALLOTT v STOCKPORT.

James. My comment is based on previous conversation.

DN. Uncomfortable & deep dive.

Steve B. Move of Nurse LL to day, - 3mths.

No collapses on night as a consequence.

2 collapses on day.

Triplets - trigger to where we are now.

Came to execs. with increase in mortality.

Promise in morning look at data.

As a body - we have not been given

full info before decision made.

DN. Deep dive. Activity. Activity.

No causal factor to mortality.

Exercise -> total competency = uncertainties.

Impponderables!

Putting off to review is not acceptable seems

Proportionate response. mid. supervision to be said.

Unit continues as now.

Period of time ahead of us.

RAV1. Actions are to reduce risk & safety.

My comment about holding is not meant to be on infant.

Rani. Finger or hand off.
Steve B. Something else is v. low.
Clinicians by. Considered all that.
But back to Nurse LL.

Tc. Can be shielded blip.
Review - deep dive.
Values S L & R E.
Right for babies, parents, & staff.
If cause for mischievous - is this the only
Doing right thing is important

Q: Proportionate & in line with problem faced.
to supervised practice
Consider Review?
Finding all things.
Must take objective view.

Rani. Majority view - yes. - proportionate actions
with significant reservations. prepared

James. How confident of supervision

Tc. Monitor weekly - 15 mins. - dashboard

James. Individual Nurse LL?
Supervision?

Mk. Nurse LL. discussed. Conversation this AM.
To Occ. Health. with Simon & Eileen.

Updating brain across unit. L FILE NOTE
Skill drills → doesn't happen
in neonates.

Option to Nurse LL. to move out of neonates.
Supervision → 1-1 basis.

James. Does 1-1 abate risk.

Steve B. Not absolute

Simon. No evidence - No circum. evidence.
Nurse LL potential suicide. Dismiss indiv?

LB. Measures of supervision

Tc. If only explanation - harm deliberate -
check reporting to Police

Culture of coping.
Range of options

RH. Where is historical base?

IH. From 2010 - 15 w/15. low.

Steve B. In 12mths 13 deaths at each.

Mortality rates outlined

DN. Data will not advance conversation today.

Further work - review.

Consultant unclear. But no single hypothesis.

Do we accept further work to be done
+ supervision + level 1.

I personally see it.

Rani. Only alternative is to inform Police.

SPC. Police activity outlined.

Rani. To R. for review.

IH. Decision in 2 wks. re. To R. BUT more
needs to be incl. in that review.

James. Timetable - 14. Data w/ 2 wks

Tc. Not extended. 2 day review. Immediate
feedback & then 4 wks written report.

James By mid - Sept.

Roz. Does review look at staff notes?

IH. We put info/data together

Visit & process outlined.

Roz. Will Nurse LL. be identified as an issue?

IH. Lead draft. To R.

Riz. 12 mth period of deaths.

Nurse-Indiv. - how much was she involved.

IH. On shift for 10 of them (deaths)

At. FT. r

Stere B. Shab. - wd only be 50% present
at deaths.

Ram. 2 days for a review is not long.

Stere B. Request - Ignorance - no!

Minor speciality. Must be neonatal input.

Not seen this.

Q. comments made.

Hols for 2 wks.

We know more than anyone

Discussion re: Band 4 nurses, other units.

Many nurses hv done x-shift.

At. Not getting rid of Band 4's.

Skill mix.

DN Light of issue / data.

Wd not hv shield from calling Police.

① Further explore data. } Reasonable
Benefit from ext. review. } & proportionate.
Nurse 1-1

Are we agreed?

Stere B. Operationally - consequences.

② Review important. T. & Ref.

Team briefed re Nurse LL. - **YES**

James. Well worded para & verbally supported.

IH / At. will be asked what are your concerns.

RH How are the Board to be kept informed?

TC Exec team, - oper. dashboard.

SPE. Board will be informed as required.

DN. close to this. Andrew QSP. chaired.

DN Nobody doubts trauma of this
panic neonatal unit
Ty. 15 team.