

Board Meeting in Public

Tuesday, 06 June 2023

Title of Report	Conflicts of Interest Policy	Agenda No.	4.1.1
Nature of Report	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Official	<input type="checkbox"/> Official Sensitive	
Author(s)	Brenda Thomas, Interim Company Secretary		
Lead Executive	Helen Gillan, Director of Quality		
Non-Executive Director Sponsor	Piers White, Chair of Audit, Risk and Governance Committee		
Presented for (tick all that applies)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approval <input type="checkbox"/> Assurance	<input type="checkbox"/> Information <input type="checkbox"/> Update	<input type="checkbox"/> Discussion
Purpose of the report and key issues			
<p>One of the recommendations from the Campbell Tickell Board Effectiveness Review: Final report October 2021 was to introduce a Conflicts of Interest Policy, with examples of actions arising from conflicts (including if the Chair is conflicted).</p> <p>The draft Conflicts of Interest Policy is in line with NHS England's Guidance for Managing Conflicts of Interest and requires Board approval. This policy was discussed at the Executive Team meeting on 3 May 2023, and the feedback received from directors have been incorporated.</p> <p>The Audit, Risk and Governance Committee reviewed the policy at its meeting on 19 May 2023 and recommended it to the Board for approval, subject to amending <i>section 7.2- Advisory boards</i>, to ensure NHS BT is not an outlier in this area, as medics often have advisory roles; and to include a Register for non-decision making staff. These changes have been incorporated in the policy.</p>			
Previously Considered by			
The draft policy was reviewed by the Executive Team; Chair of Audit, Risk and Governance Committee, and the Audit, Risk and Governance Committee.			
Recommendation	The Board is asked to approve the Conflicts of Interest policy as recommended by the Audit, Risk and Governance Committee.		
Risk(s) identified (Link to Board Assurance Framework Risks)			
BAF 09 - Regulatory Compliance: <i>There is a risk that the organisation will become non-compliant with current or emerging regulations which could result in NHSBT being subject to significant regulatory action and/or licences being revoked.</i>			
Strategic Objective(s) this paper relates to: [Click on all that applies]			
<input type="checkbox"/> Collaborate with partners <input type="checkbox"/> Invest in people and culture <input type="checkbox"/> Drive innovation <input type="checkbox"/> Modernise our operations <input type="checkbox"/> Grow and diversify our donor base			
Appendices:	N/A		