

**GOVERNING BODY MEETING PART I
MEETING ON WEDNESDAY 23 DECEMBER 2015**

Title of Report:	NHS Thurrock Clinical Commissioning Group (TCCG) Safeguarding Children and Looked After Children (LAC) Annual Report 2015
Board Sponsor:	Jane Foster-Taylor, Chief Nurse
Prepared by :	Yvonne Anarfi Designated Nurse Safeguarding Children
Committees previous consulted:	Quality & Patient Safety Committee
Executive Summary:	<p>3 and 4 - National and Legal Framework – Framework that underpins Safeguarding Practice.</p> <p>6 – Multi-agency and Partnership working – the CCG has a duty to be members of Local Safeguarding Board. Greater Essex has a Safeguarding Children Clinical Network, with collaborative agreement from all 7 CCGs. The Designated Nurses have Lead Responsibilities for Safeguarding Children.</p> <p>7 - CCG Statutory Duties - Section 11 Audits .Self-assessment tool was completed by the CCG and its GP Practices. The CCG has an action plan in place for the gaps identified during the audit. 100% of Thurrock GP Practices completed the audit in October 2014. There has been one to one practice support visits to most practices.</p> <p>8 -CCG Safeguarding Statutory, Accountability and Governance Arrangements</p> <p>The CCG is compliant with these requirements. There are action plans and support packages in place where there are areas for improvement.</p> <p>8.18 - Looked After Children – The data and health assessment for LAC informs the report that Essex performs above the national average.</p> <p>8.19 - Child Death Reviews – A county wide health Rapid Response Team has been set up. The local Child Death Review panel meetings are now chaired by Public Health.</p> <p>9 and 10 - Key priorities for 2015/16.</p>
Financial / Resource Implications:	None
Fit with CCG strategy/objectives:	To provide the function of the Children safeguarding Manager, ensuring compliance with the Care Act 2015 and working with partners (including the Health & Wellbeing Board) to safeguard children within the NHS Thurrock CCG population.

Risks identified / Outcome / Link to BAF:		BAF Ref:
Actions Required:	None	When By:
Recommendation to the Committee:	Members of the Governing Body are invited to :note the contents of this report.	