



## **NHS BORDERS 2016/17 FESTIVE PERIOD REPORT**

### **Aim**

- 1.1 To update the Health and Social Care Partnership on NHS Borders' performance over the festive period: 16<sup>th</sup> December 2016 until 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2017. This period was 19 days long with 3 weekends, which is the same as covered last year, 17<sup>th</sup> December 2015 until 4<sup>th</sup> January 2016, making the periods comparative.

### **Background**

- 2.1 NHS Borders like all Health Boards are required on an annual basis to produce a Winter Plan which outlines potential risks and contingency planning relevant to the winter season, with a particular focus on the festive period. The 2016/17 plan was discussed and subsequently approved at the 27th October 2016 NHS Borders Board meeting.
- 2.2 After each winter period the Winter Planning Group convenes to assess what worked well, what could have been improved, the learning from the period and key recommendations are taken forward in preparation for the next winter period. A full report on the winter period will come to the Board in April 2017.

### **Summary**

- 3.1 The NHS Borders Festive Report has been attached as **Appendix 1**.
- 3.2 The report is being presented to the NHS Borders Strategy and Performance Committee on the 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2017. It has been reviewed by the NHS Borders Executive Team and approved by both the Director of Nursing, Midwifery and Acute Nursing Services for NHS Borders and the Interim Chief Officer for the Scottish Borders Health and Social Care Partnership.

### **Recommendation**

The Health & Social Care Integration Joint Board is asked to **note** the report.

<b>Policy/Strategy Implications</b>	Request from Scottish Government that all Health Boards produce a Winter Plan signed of by their Board in support of quality patient care.  This report will inform the Winter Planning Process 2017/18
<b>Consultation</b>	Feedback was provided by the Winter Planning Group, Clinical Services and

	Managers and Partner organisations
<b>Risk Assessment</b>	The Winter Plan is designed to mitigate the risks associated with the winter and festive periods
<b>Compliance with requirements on Equality and Diversity</b>	The Report complies with requirements on Equality and Diversity
<b>Resource/Staffing Implications</b>	Resource and staffing implications were addressed within the Winter Plan

**Approved by**

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