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To:	Trust Board
From:	Rachel Overfield – Chief Nurse
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CQC regulation:	Outcome 1, 5, 7 and 13

Title:	Better Care for Frail Older Patients Following a Hip Fracture										
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Purpose of the Report:	To provide the Trust Board with an insight into work streams in place to improve the quality of care for patients admitted to the hip fracture ward (Ward 32 LRI Site).										
The Report is provided to the Board for:	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; text-align: center;"> <tr> <td style="width: 25%;">Decision</td> <td style="width: 25%;"></td> <td style="width: 25%;">Discussion</td> <td style="width: 25%;"></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Assurance</td> <td></td> <td>Endorsement</td> <td></td> </tr> </table>			Decision		Discussion		Assurance		Endorsement	
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Summary / Key Points:	<p>The trauma unit at the Royal site admits over 850 older patients with hip fracture each year. Most are frail, very elderly >85 with comorbidities and high rates of delirium and dementia.</p> <p>Ward 32 became a dedicated hip fracture ward in July 2012, jointly led by geriatrics and orthopaedics. The ward also became a pioneer LIA team (June 2013) and has completed stage 1 of the Elder Friendly Quality Mark (August 2013).</p> <p>Work streams to improve the experience of care for patients from these projects include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Creating a dementia friendly ward environment • Improving communication regarding patient care & discharge • Obtaining and responding to patient and carer feedback • Better provision of information about rehabilitation process & options • Reducing falls through medication review (Fallsafe) • Displaying a ward family tree & Welcome to the ward pack • Focus on bereavement care and use of the amber pathway 										
Recommendations:	To role out good practice to all areas within UHL caring for frail older people.										
Previously considered at another corporate UHL Committee?	No										
Strategic Risk Register:	N/A	Performance KPIs year to date:	N/A								
Resource Implications (eg Financial, HR):	A number of these work streams have financial implications specifically Estates and Facilities.										
Assurance Implications:	N/A										
Patient and Public Involvement (PPI) Implications:	Yes										
Stakeholder Engagement Implications:	N/A										
Equality Impact:	Yes										
Information exempt from Disclosure:	N/A										
Requirement for further review?	No										