

**REPORT TO:** Health and Wellbeing Board  
**DATE:** 12<sup>th</sup> March 2014  
**REPORTING OFFICER:** Operational Director Integrated Care Halton CCG  
**PORTFOLIO:** Health and Wellbeing  
**SUBJECT:** Quality Premium  
**WARD(S)** Borough-wide

1.0 **PURPOSE OF THE REPORT**

1.1 To provide information to the Board to enable the Board to reach a decision to approve the provider and level of increase in medication error reporting as required by NHS England.

2.0 **RECOMMENDATION: That both the Provider and the specified increase on the level of medication error reporting be approved.**

3.0 **SUPPORTING INFORMATION**

3.1 **Copy of Medication Error Reporting report attached.**

4.0 **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

4.1 None identified

5.0 **OTHER/FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

5.1 This is an NHS Halton CCG Quality Premium measure. Success in achieving the specified increase equates to 15% of the total value of the quality premium, this is approximately £95,000

6.0 **IMPLICATIONS FOR THE COUNCIL'S PRIORITIES**

This is inline with the high level priorities set by the HWBB and evidenced within the Better Care Fund. (BCF) This quality premium will help towards improving the agreed BCF metric of readmissions

6.1 **A Safer Halton**

In increase in the number of medication errors reported, even if they cause low or no harm, show that providers are recognising potential risks and enables learning and action to take place. Thereby reducing the risk of further more serious incidents taking place.

7.0 **RISK ANALYSIS**

7.1 Should the specified increase be achieved NHS Halton CCG will be awarded the proportion of the Quality Premium monies, should the increase not be achieved there will be no financial loss, however further investigation may need to take place to understand the reasons why the increase was not achieved.

8.0 **EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY ISSUES**

8.1 No implications identified.

9.0 **LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS UNDER SECTION 100D OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972**

There are none within the meaning of the Act.