

NHS WESTERN ISLES

BOARD MEETING

Date:	30 November 2022
Item:	9.1.1
Title:	Duty of Candour Annual Report 01.04.20 – 31.03.21
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1 Purpose

This is presented to the Board

- Awareness

This report relates to the:

- Duty of Candour Procedure (Scotland Regulations 2018) which highlights the procedure to be followed whenever a Duty of Candour adverse event has been identified

This aligns to the following NHSScotland quality ambition(s):

- Safe
- Effective
- Person Centred
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2 Report summary

2.1 Situation

The Health (Tobacco, Nicotine etc. and Care) Scotland Act 2016 (“The Act”) introduced an organisational Duty of Candour on health, care and social work services.

The Act is supplemented by the Duty of Candour Procedure (Scotland) Regulations 2018, which highlights the procedure to be followed whenever a Duty of Candour adverse event has been identified.

An important part of this duty is that NHS Boards provide an annual report about how the Duty of Candour is implemented in our services. This short report describes how NHS Western Isles has operated the Duty of Candour during the reporting period 1st April 2020 and 31 March 2021. During this period there were no adverse events reported in NHS Western Isles that triggered the Duty of Candour criteria or procedure.

2.2 Background

As part of the Duty of Candour legislation all NHS Boards are asked to publish an annual Duty of Candour Report.

2.3 Assessment

2.3.1 Quality/ Patient Care

All adverse events reported on to Datix are reviewed to consider if they meet the Duty of Candour Criteria.

2.3.2 Workforce

No implications.

2.3.3 Financial

No implications.

2.3.4 Risk Assessment/Management

To ensure that the recommendations for the Duty of Candour included in the draft Framework for Adverse Event Reporting, Management and Learning are met.

2.3.5 Equality and Diversity, including health inequalities

No impact of equality

2.3.6 Other impacts

Non applicable.

2.3.7 Communication, involvement, engagement and consultation

Non applicable

2.3.8 Route to the Meeting

2.4 Recommendation

- Awareness – for Members' information.

3. List of appendices

The following appendices are included with this report:

- Draft Duty of Candour 1st April 2020 – 31st March 2021 Annual Report