

Period:	June 2018
Stakeholders:	Staff & Well-Being Group Members (a multi-professional group); Deputy Chief Nurse; Consultant in Public Health Medicine; Chief Officer for Workforce Development; HR/Education Teams; Head of Patient Experience
Organisation's E, D & I objectives:	<p>The BWC NHS FT priorities for 2018 evolved and include the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Improve equality in recruitment and overall workforce representation. ○ Improve staff experience. ○ Improve internal career progression for BME staff. ○ 24 hour access to a loved one: we aim to give every patient/child the choice to have the physical presence of a loved one 24 hours, should they choose to have it. ○ Improve involvement: we aim to involve patients and family members; including siblings and young people in giving feedback and co-producing solutions through a number of channels in the organisation. ○ Accessibility: we aim to ensure that families and patients are supported to access services in a way that meets their needs.
Headline good practice:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Merge of the BCH Inclusivity Action Group with BWH's Inclusive Practitioners to create a cross-site action group, working to promote equality and celebrate diversity. The group has been involved in celebrating a range of events and promotion of diverse role models throughout the trust, aiming to create a more inclusive culture. - Inclusivity Events were held all around the year. Black history month was celebrated, along with different religious festivals. International Women's day involved two inspirational women speaking about their career journey and later this year the trust will be involved in Birmingham Pride along with other Health Trusts in the region. - Health and wellbeing for staff – Last year the trust held free exercise classes for staff ranging from Yoga to Pilates. The trust held Health and wellbeing week where a number of activities were put on in the conservatory, local gyms to come to give introductory offers, and there was a weight loss programme called Mission Slim possible where the individual with most weight lost won a prize. - Ambassador for raising concerns – Our ambassador works independently to meet with people who wish to raise any concerns they may have. - Leadership Courses – The Management Matters programme has been re designed and now includes Team Maker training and Coaching and Mediation Training. - Managers Induction has also been set up for Managers new to the trust to familiarise themselves with the processes of the trust - Roger Kline has visited BWC to discuss our current work and objectives. - Our Annual Staff Survey results are analysed around Diversity and Inclusion; and they have aided the development of the priorities mentioned for 2018-21. - Learning Disability Programme : Adapting job descriptions so they are easier to understand, working on alternative interview formats and setting roles into smaller, manageable tasks to enable this group to participate - Prince's Trust Programme: participants have the opportunity to undertake a pre-employment opportunity to enable them to become "work ready" - BWC has recently applied to and been accepted to the Apprenticeship Diversity Champions Network - Use of images and case studies of a diverse workforce in our promotional materials and ensuring that there are no gender stereotyping of roles - Aspire Health Ambassadors: Promoting opportunities in those communities and groups that are hard to reach and typically underrepresented in the organisation. - Invitation to multi faith and cultural celebration events though out the hospital. - Regular services and 24:7 availability of 4 religious and spiritual care facilities at BWC. - Multi faith and spiritual care training inc MA module and centre for Paediatric Spiritual Care - Continued distribution to wards etc. of resources and two new books for healthcare professionals, entitled 'Multifaith Care with Sick and Dying Children' and 'Spiritual Care with Sick Children and Young People' - The Chaplaincy offer 1-1 and small team group support in processing suffering in multi faith children and families and wider needs; as well as support and advise to Trust groups, Ethics, organ donation etc.

Goal	Outcome	Grade & reasons for rating:				
		Grade:	Which protected characteristics fare well:	Evidence drawn upon for rating:	Equality objective:	Update/progress:
Better health outcomes	Services are commissioned, procured, designed and delivered to meet the health needs of local communities					
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Individual people's health needs are assessed and met in appropriate and effective ways

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Meeting Individual Needs

All patients and families have an individual care plan that is assessed and evaluated, the trust provides general and specialist services.

Here are some examples in a few of our departments:

- Radiology - Radiology work with the learning disabilities team in order to make sure that our services are supportive and appropriate for children and young people with learning disabilities
- Head and Neck - Religious and cultural needs are considered and worked with rather than ignored – e.g. some parents don't want to bring their child for surgery during Ramadan, so alternative arrangements are made.
- CAMHS - CAMHS have developed a "My Care Plan" in Inpatient CAMHS which involves the input of the young people and this is ASD friendly and meets the Autism Accreditation requirements.
- FTB - Care plans are now electronic and available across all community sites. Care plans are developed collaboratively with the patient and family; they are signed by the patient/family and uploaded to electronic patient records system. Patients have a copy of this to take home. The FTB website provides self-help guidance for patients and families about mental illness, which is downloadable. PAUSE provides daily drop in centre, and a resources vault online for patients, families and other professionals to access advice and self-help materials.

Multi-faith Chaplaincy Team

Our diverse patients, families and staff have access to our multi-faith chaplaincy team.

Access to Interpreters

The trust has an online booking interpreter service to allow access to interpreters for patients and families.

Learning Disabilities

Families have access to the Learning Disability Liaison Team. We have signed up to Mencap's "Getting it right" and "Include me too" charters to show our commitment to improving healthcare and treatment for children and young people with learning disabilities. We are the first paediatric organisation to be part of NHS England Always Event programme and in process of co-designing with parents ways to prompt Health care professionals to think about adapting their communication style to improve communication with children with a learning disability.

Hospital at home

Our Hospital at Home team helps nearly 500 patients every year. Care at home improves patient experience; it also keeps beds free for inpatients and helps patient flow. We are also one of only two Diabetes Home Care Teams in the UK; we start treatment in the patient's home wherever possible; we offer 24/7 support and education to patients and their families in the home and as outpatients.

Parent Education

At BWH all parents are offered to attend a range of parent education courses which are from 5-7 hours and cover pregnancy, labour, early days, breastfeeding, early baby brain development, attachment parenting and early baby skills. Specialty courses are offered for Fathers, Vaginal Birth After Caesarean, Refreshers and courses for parents expecting a poorly baby.

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Transition from one service to another, for people on care pathways, are made smoothly with everyone well-informed

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Policy and Procedures. There are several policies in place to ensure that patients and families are well-informed and involved in their care to ensure transition from one service to another is made smoothly. Some of these include:

- Discharge Policy
- Protocol for Booking Interpreters
- Transitional Care Policy for Young People with Long Term Conditions and/or disability
- Transfer policy
- Consent policies

Shared care services

A number of our services, for instance oncology, have developed formal shared care arrangements, protocols and policies whereby some aspects of the child's treatment is carried out here at BWC and ongoing treatment and care is carried out at the local Hospital. This ensures continuity of care closer to home.

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			<p>Here are some examples in a few of our departments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Specialised Medicine - Transition pathways/plans are in use and adhered to. Closer working with PICU and HDU+ for smoother step down from critical care to wards to home. • Neurosciences - Inherited metabolic disease services, neurology and cancer all hold transition clinics and commence transition with patients from 13 years onwards. • Dental & MaxFac - With the complex needs of the patients seen in these specialities sometimes they can spend longer in shared care, this could include local community dental teams. When they are ready for transition they are transferred to an adult special care team • Cleft - Recently implanted the "Ready, Steady, Go" package. With new material/information for parents and patients for each step and stage throughout transition/transfer to our adult cleft team. • PICU - PICU have weekly nurse meeting for discharge coordinator and palliative care plus family liaison and extended stay team. They holistically review patients regarding PICU transition to Wards /home for PC. • FTB - As we are a 0-25 service we have reduced the need for transition. There is no transition during adolescence which can be the most risky time for patients with MH needs. We have specific clinical care pathways to meet patients individual needs, which sit within our integrated community HUBs. FTB use the Care Programme Approach to support patients with complex mental health needs, to ensure their care is regularly reviewed and treatment plans are adapted to meet changing needs accordingly. <p><u>Patient Information</u> Discharge information is available to all patients and can be made available in alternative formats on request. The trust has an online booking interpreter service to allow ease of access to interpreters. Each department provides information to patients regarding admission and discharge processes.</p>			
When people use NHS services their safety is prioritised and they are free from mistakes, mistreatment and abuse						
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			<p><u>Safe Practice on Wards</u> Nursing care quality indicators audited monthly and paediatric safety thermometer, to measure safety and quality for patients. Every ward and clinical area displays relevant and up to date information on quality, safety and patient experience on a Quality and Safety Board.</p> <p><u>Staffing levels</u> The Trust is committed to a quality workforce to deliver the care we want for patients. Ward nurse Staffing levels and skill mix agreed and monitored e.g. at the moment E-Rostering is closely managed by senior nurses to ensure hours owed/overtaken from staff is utilised effectively to avoid using temporary staffing. Many of our staff celebrate and follow practice during Ramadan. Staff rosters are considered to ensure staff take regular breaks when on duty. Recruitment and retention is often reviewed – any trends in turnover are reviewed at DMTs, recruitment difficulties are reviewed and workforce planning is undertaken to take into account of market challenges. Staffing numbers, planned and actual are displayed on the quality boards in each ward area.</p>				
Screening, vaccination and other health promotion services reach and benefit all local communities							
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Improved patient access and experience							
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			<p><u>Young Persons' Advisory Group (YPAG)</u></p> <p>YPAG was initiated to raise the voice of children and young people and give them a say in how we provide health care and are passionate about wanting to make a difference by helping improve the experience of our patients. YPAG has achieved a huge amount; they meet regularly and have previously been involved in various consultations, ward walkabouts, staff interviews, social action projects, takeover day with Executive Team Members and conference presentations. Young Persons Advisory Group is a channel of listening to young people and empowering them to be involved in shaping of current and future services. There is currently a drive to recruit more patients to the group, in improve the diversity.</p>			
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				<p><u>Complaint Reports</u> On a quarterly basis a quality report is produced for the board which contains details of all the key actions taken as a result of the investigation. A thematic review of complaints is also undertaken.</p> <p><u>Complaints</u> Our investigating officers' work within a time-frame agreed with the complainant, to process and investigate complaints. For complex and sensitive complaints, an executive sponsor is nominated to oversee and manage the investigation to ensure the concerns are handled efficiently and respectfully. <u>PALS</u> The Patient Advice and Liaison Service details informal complaints and assists patients with local and rapid resolution.</p>			
Fair NHS recruitment and selection processes lead to a more representative workforce at all levels							
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	The NHS is committed to equal pay for work of equal value and expects employers to use equal pay audits to help fulfil their legal obligations						
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Training and development opportunities are taken up and positively evaluated by all staff							
3.3	Developing 	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Age <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Disability <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gender reassignment <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Marriage and civil partnership	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pregnancy and maternity <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Race <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Religion or belief <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sex <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sexual orientation	<p>Training and development is open and available to all members of staff. We offer training in a range of environments so should not be accessibility issues. Each department encourages their staff to access training opportunities.</p> <p><u>Advertising Training and Development Opportunities</u></p> <p>Marketing is based on both paper and IT methods to reach all staff groups including clinical and non-clinical to increase uptake of training and development opportunities. Opportunities are actively promoted and encouraged to all staff.</p> <p><u>Evaluations</u></p> <p>Both formal and informal evaluations of our training and development opportunities are consistently positively evaluated by the vast majority of delegates. We strive to continually evaluate and improve our training and development offer and opportunities to staff.</p> <p><u>Staff Survey 2017</u></p> <p>Our results indicate that access to training and development opportunities has remained constant.</p>	√		
When at work, staff are free from abuse, harassment, bullying and violence from any source							
3.4	Developing 	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Age <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Disability <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gender reassignment <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Marriage and civil partnership	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pregnancy and maternity <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Race <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Religion or belief <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sex <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sexual orientation	<p><u>Dignity at Work and Concerns policy.</u></p> <p>All the Policies are ratified by Management and Staff side through a formal committee process. The Policies are available on the intranet for all Managers and employees, and they provide consistency of information and guidance regarding the process for raising issues of abuse, harassment, bullying and violence from any source. We also have a new 'Resolving Conflict' policy to support staff in dealing with patients/families who display inappropriate behaviours.</p> <p>If issues of abuse, harassment, bullying and violence from any source are raised by an individual, the individual has a number of support mechanisms, i.e. Clinical Supervision, Line Management support, Human Resources team, etc. We have a Staff Ambassador or 'Freedom to Speak Up Guardian', Clare Atkinson. Clare's role is to be the first point of contact for staff wanting to raise issues or concerns, and to support staff to escalate concerns and find solutions. We also have a network of over 50 Staff Experience Champions across the Trust, who help support and signpost staff, helping to resolve issues early and enhance our culture of 'Speaking out Safely'. If appropriate and relevant, issues raised will also be investigated fully under the Policy/Policies listed above.</p> <p>Every year Information from the BWC NHS FT national staff survey regarding staff reporting harassment, bullying and violence is reviewed and actions identified. Our most data has indicated a rise in staff reporting harassment, bullying and violence. As a result, throughout the next year we will develop an anti-bullying campaign, and create guides on identifying and tackling bullying. Awareness will be raised of the support available to staff who may have experienced bullying or harassment in the workplace. BWC NHS FT Trust Values have also been refreshed; this will support the zero tolerance approach we would like to adopt.</p>	√		
Flexible working options are available to all staff consistent with the needs of the service and the way people lead their lives							
3.5	Developing 	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Age <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Disability <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gender reassignment <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Marriage and civil partnership	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pregnancy and maternity <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Race <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Religion or belief <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sex <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sexual orientation	<p>There is a Flexible Working Policy which has been ratified by Management and Staff side through a formal committee process. The Trust recognises the importance of providing flexible working arrangements that primarily provide more scope and flexibility in the workforce to meet the changing demands of current services and service developments in the future, and enable employees to alter the balance between work and life away from work. Employees with the relevant qualifying service have the right to request flexible working and have it properly considered.</p>	√		
Staff report positive experiences of their membership of the workforce							
3.6	Achieving 	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Age <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Disability <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gender reassignment <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Marriage and civil partnership	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pregnancy and maternity <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Race <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Religion or belief <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sex <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sexual orientation	<p><u>Staff Survey 2017</u></p> <p>This overall indicator of staff engagement has been calculated using the Key Findings which relate to the following aspects of staff engagement:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - staff members' perceived ability to contribute to improvements at work (Key Finding 7) - their willingness to recommend the trust as a place to work or receive treatment (Key Finding 1) - the extent to which they feel motivated and engaged with their work (Key Finding 4). <p>Whilst in some areas we see some differences between protected groups, we also work to ensure we address these where possible.</p>	√		

			<p><u>Staff Friends and Family Test</u> In our latest Friends and Family Test for Staff (Q 4 2017/2018), 85% of staff would recommend BWC to friends and family as a place to work.</p> <p><u>Staff Engagement</u> We engage with staff with events throughout the year. Every year we hold a staff engagement week, staff listening sessions, leaders' summits etc.</p> <p>Information is gathered from employee exit interviews; patterns and trends are reviewed including any potential patterns for those staff members in protected groups. Work is ongoing to gather further data regarding any impact for staff in protected characteristics groups.</p> <p>Overall analysis of the staff survey by protected characteristic groups highlighted some areas for development, and actions have arisen to help tackle these.</p> <p><u>Trust Vision and Values</u> Our Trust Values have been refreshed over 2018 to ABC. Ambitious, Brave & Compassion; this followed engagement events across BWC NHS FT.</p>			
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Inclusive leadership **Boards and senior leaders routinely demonstrate their commitment to promoting equality within and beyond their organisations**

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Papers that come before the Board and other major Committees identify equality-related impacts including risks, and say how these risks are to be managed

4.2	<p>Developing</p> 	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Age <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Disability <input type="checkbox"/> Gender reassignment <input type="checkbox"/> Marriage and civil partnership <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pregnancy and maternity <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Race <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Religion or belief <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sex <input type="checkbox"/> Sexual orientation	<p><u>Equality Monitoring</u> All policies, services and business cases are evaluated through the Equality Impact Assessed (EIA) across all protected groups through the Policy Review Group (PRG). Business cases and any service development also require EIAs; as well as the education offer that is being delivered.</p> <p><u>Board Equality Training Event and Observations</u> Bespoke training event for our NEDs and exec team based on Equality and Diversity is available e.g. a previous programme, facilitated by our external equality trainer, discussed unconscious bias and the impact of this at board level. This training highlighted the Boards' role in identifying and questioning equality related issues and impacts arising. As a result Equality Impact Assessments will continue to be required and scrutinised by the Board on any new policies, services and business cases.</p> <p><u>Patient Experience Committee</u> A sub-committee to the quality committee meets monthly for senior managers to discuss and hold to account patient experience developments. A quarterly patient experience report is produced which details metrics and projects related to patient experience improvement.</p>	v		
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Middle managers and other line managers support their staff to work in culturally competent ways within a work environment free from discrimination

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			<p><u>Trust Policy</u> There are many polices available to middle managers and line managers to support their staff and ensure a work environment free from discrimination. Some of these polices include: - Equality and diversity policy - Flexible working policy - Dignity Policy - Code of conduct - Leave & Time Off Policy - Management of Stress at Work Policy - Maternity, Paternity and Adoption Leave Policy Managers ensure staff are aware of and have access to the relevant policies.</p> <p><u>Manager's Brief</u> The Manager's Brief aims to keep staff (who manage people) up to date with news from across the hospital, hot topics for the month and details about events and courses to support their staff as a manager.</p> <p><u>Staff Led Patient Experience Committee</u> Patient Experience Champions are nominated from each department at BW and attend a bi-monthly summit to spotlight on areas of great work and share ideas.</p> <p><u>Patient Experience Committee</u> A sub-committee to the quality committee meets monthly for senior managers to discuss and hold to account patient experience developments.</p>			
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