

**6 January 2014****Agenda Item: 4****REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF HEALTH SCRUTINY COMMITTEE****AREA OF CONCERN - MISDIAGNOSIS****Purpose of the Report**

1. To introduce a briefing on misdiagnosis and to give the committee the opportunity to determine whether or not this is an appropriate subject for a Scrutiny review.

**Information and Advice**

2. The Health Scrutiny Committee has previously identified the misdiagnosis of medical conditions as an area on which to receive briefing. When a Health Scrutiny Committee has concerns about a particular subject following a briefing, the committee may decide to instigate a Scrutiny review.
3. Scrutiny reviews may take place: as part of the regular work of the committee, or as either a sub-committee or study group (NB sub-committees meet in public and study groups in private). Scrutiny reviews gather evidence and produce a final report which contains evidence-based recommendations.
4. An NHS representative will provide a detailed presentation on this subject area.
5. Following the presentation and questions, Members should determine if this is an appropriate subject for review; and following that decide on the method of review. If the method of review is to be sub-committee or study group, Members may wish to indicate if they have an interest in the subject – subject to confirmation from group business managers where appropriate.

**RECOMMENDATION**

That the Health Scrutiny Committee:

- i) Determine whether or not this is a suitable subject for a Scrutiny review
- ii) Indicate the means by which the review should be undertaken (i.e. committee, sub-committee or study group)

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**Chairman of Health Scrutiny Committee**

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**Background Papers**

Nil

**Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected**

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