

NEMS Board OF Directors

21st November 2022

Date of meeting	21 st November 22						
Subject	Annual Board Report of Emergency Preparedness, Resilience and Response (EPPR) for 2022 Public Paper						
Report of	Operations Director						
Prepared by	Operations Director						
Purpose of report	To provide an annual update, sign off EPRR policy and be sighted on 2022-2023 workplan.						
Action Required	Approval	X		Discussion			
	Decision			Information			
	Assurance	Full	X	Reasonable		Limited	

Executive Summary

As part of the NHS England Emergency Preparedness, Resilience and Response (EPRR) Framework, providers of NHS funded services must ensure effective arrangements are in place to deliver appropriate care to patients affected by an emergency or incident.

NEMS continues to manage demand to Urgent Care Services, both in and out of hours, and can meet its legal Statutory requirements under the CCA 2004 and 2005 Regulations.

The EPRR annual assurance process is carried out on NHS provider organisations by Regional EPPR Management. NEMS submitted the mandated EPPR Core Standards in September 2022. The return is broken down as follow:

- There were 68 core standards
- 14 of which weren't applicable for NEMS

The following grading is then applied:

Organisational rating	Criteria
Fully compliant	The organisation is fully compliant against 100% of the relevant NHS EPRR Core Standards
Substantial compliance	The organisation is fully compliant against 89-99% of the relevant NHS EPRR Core Standards
Partial compliance	The organisation is fully compliant against 77-88% of the relevant NHS EPRR Core Standards
Non-compliant	The organisation is fully compliant up to 76% of the relevant NHS EPRR Core Standards



After the confirm and challenge process, NEMS have been initially rated as non-compliant, although none of the 54 core standards were rated as non-compliant. NEMS have since been working with regional EPRR Management and are working towards a resubmission and new rating by the end of 2023.

The EPRR regional demand in terms of work and meetings has grown substantially in the past 12 months. As a result, all NHS providers, including NEMS, have found it challenging to meet the compliance commitments required of the various resilience groups.

Nevertheless, NEMS remains committed to delivering resilience training for its staff, participate in EPRR led exercises and will continue to meet its obligation for NHS Funded Organisations in complying with the EPRR Framework and NHS England guidance.