

Breast Care Services Review - Status Report by B.U.S.T

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REPORT PERIOD	Start date	April 2008	End date	November 2008
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STATUS SUMMARY	
Overall project status	AMBER
Milestone	Position to date
Milestones still to be defined	
Review Highlights	
Review Lowlights	
Review has progressed very slowly. Work plans and milestones still under development. Ways of working among and between groups still being established.	
Top 3 ISSUES	
Lack of clear, agreed Goal and Measurable Objectives for the Review.	
No agreed plan for early integration of the work of the PPI and Clinical Advisory Groups, enabling regular exchange of questions, comments, information.	
An aim of the Review is to improve Clinical Outcomes and Patient Safety, but there is little or no data available on current performance, therefore no baseline against which to measure improvement.	
BUST and the BHSP Office are working together with the aim of resolving these issues.	
Top 3 RISKS	
Review process takes too long and is not sufficiently focused, therefore wastes taxpayers' money and stakeholders' time.	
Too much reliance on external opinion, without unequivocal clinical evidence. To what extent will the future service be allowed to be developed "bottom up" by the Clinicians who will be accountable for delivering it, rather than imposed upon them?	
Compromises forced through on sites and service quality due to budget constraints. Result - no measurable improvement and risk of service deterioration.	

Status Definitions

Green – Project achievements against plan on track. All risks and issues being effectively managed. Stakeholders working together to achieve Project goals.

Amber – Areas of concern identified and require Steering Group attention to resolve.

Red – Serious issues unresolved, despite intervention of Steering Group. Success of Project is threatened.

Definitions

Milestones - identify completion of significant phases of work in a Project Schedule.