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Changes within the Executive Director team – new Board members and Deputy Chief Executives

We're delighted to welcome two new executive directors to our Board. Sandra Shannon, former Interim Chief Operating Officer, has taken up her post as Chief Operating Officer; and Tanya Claridge, former Assistant Director of Governance and Risk, has become our new Director of Governance and Corporate Affairs. We would also like to announce the appointment of two new Deputy Chief Executives. They are John Holden, our Director of Strategy and Integration; and Sandra Shannon, our Chief Operating Officer.

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New one-stop clinic to investigate blood in urine

A new one-stop clinic to investigate the cause of blood in urine, saving our patients from anxious waits for test results, has been launched. Our urology specialists have redesigned the way in which people with blood in urine (haematuria), or symptoms of this, are tested and assessed – to speed up the process and give patients on-the-day results.

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BTHFT ICU bucks national trend throughout tough winter period

You may have seen stories in the national news about NHS Intensive Care Units (ICUs) sending patients elsewhere due to a lack of beds throughout the difficult winter period. However, we're delighted and very proud to hear that this has certainly not been the case at our own ICU which, although very busy, has performed exceptionally well. This is testament to the skill, expertise and compassion of a superb team, ably led by Matron Gez Barrett.

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Born in Bradford primary school study tests 10,000th child

A major project which is following the lives of thousands of Bradford children has reached a major milestone with the testing of its 10,000th child. The Primary School Years study is tracking children who are part of the Born in Bradford study as they grow up. It aims to collect information from 20,000 young people in an effort to understand children's movement and cognitive (e.g. memory, attention) skills, issues around their wellbeing and happiness, and how well they are doing in school.

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