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| **Agenda item:** | **12** |
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**HRA BOARD COVER SHEET**

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| **Date of Meeting:** | 13th September 2017 |

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| **Title of Paper:** | UK Policy Framework for Health and Social Care Research |
| **Purpose of Paper:** | To set out the high-level principles of good practice in the management and conduct of health and social care research in the UK, as well as the responsibilities that underpin high-quality ethical research. |
| **Reason for Submission:** | To seek Board approval to proceed to publish the Policy Framework. |
| **Details:** | Development of the Policy Framework has been overseen by the UK-wide RGF Steering Group (so named because the new Framework will replace the four UK Health Departments’ Research Governance Frameworks).  This version of the Framework is the result of a thorough policy development project involving an informal call for comments and a public consultation in each UK country, six stakeholder events, and final comments from RGF SG members and HRA colleagues.  It has gone to the DAs for Ministerial approval in Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland. In England, it does not require Ministerial approval but Lord O’Shaughnessy will need to agree to withdraw his RGF.  The Care Act requires the HRA to publish this document. |
| **Time required for item:** | **10 mins** |

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| **Recommendation / Proposed Actions:** | **To Approve** | | **X** |
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| **Name:** | Bill Davidson |
| **Job Title:** | Joint Head of Policy |
| **Date:** | 7th September 2017 |