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**HRA BOARD COVER SHEET**

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| **Date of Meeting:** | 21 January 2015 |

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| **Title of Paper:** | HRA Framework Agreement |
| **Purpose of Paper:** | To ask the HRA Board to note the Framework Agreement between the Department of Health and the Health Research Authority.  The purpose of the Framework Agreement is to define the critical elements of the relationship between the Department of Health (Department) and the Health Research Authority (HRA). The document is focused on how the Department and HRA will work in partnership to serve patients, the public and the taxpayer; and how both HRA and the Department discharge their accountabilityresponsibilities effectively.  Unfortunately due to unforeseen circumstances the final version of the Framework Agreement is awaited from the Department. The final version will be brought to the February Board meeting for approval. |
| **Reason for Submission:** | For information |
| **Details:** | See papers |
| **Suitable for wider circulation?** | **No** |

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| **Recommendation / Proposed Actions:** | **To Approve** | |  |
| **To Note** | | **x** |
| **For Discussion** | |  |
| **Comments** |  | |

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| **Job Title:** | Corporate Secretary |
| **Date:** | 14/01/2015 |