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Dear Consultee

2017/2018 Financial Planning – Saving Plan

The Health and Social Care (HSC) system has been working collaboratively to address the significant financial pressures facing health and social care in 2017/18 in order to meet the statutory requirement of achieving a balanced financial plan across the HSC. Trusts have been tasked by the Department of Health (DoH) with developing draft savings plans to deliver their share of a total of £70m of savings in 2017/18.

The Trust is now required to consult on the draft proposals in its 2017/18 Savings Plan in line with the Department's policy guidance circular: Change or Withdrawal of Services – Guidance on roles and responsibilities, dated 26 November 2014.

The consultation document can be found on the Trust's website at <http://www.southerntrust.hscni.net>. Alternatively, if you would like us to send you a copy of the consultation document please contact the Trust's Equality Unit on the details below.

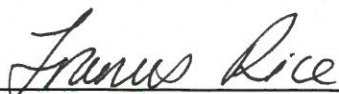
If you have any queries about these documents, and their availability in alternative formats (including Braille, disk, audio cassette and minority languages) then please contact:

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No decisions have been made and this consultation provides an opportunity for consultees to give their views on the proposals. A consultation questionnaire is available on our website for you to complete, however, we welcome your comments in any format. Please send your comments to the Equality Unit. Comments should be returned by 5 October 2017.

Yours sincerely



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