Speech for the Presentation

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The topic of my presentation is “How do I see my role in improving quality of care in NHS Orkney?”

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To address this question, I have assessed the current situation of maternity and

Gynaecology services in Orkney with all stakeholders. I had a discussion with Dr Hillary

Mcpherson. I also discussed with Mrs Marie O’Sullivan, Dr Earnest Akrong, current obstetrician,

at Orkney, Michelle Mickie, midwives Pam and Morag, surgeons, Dr Michael Dohrn and Dr Caesar

Zawal, anaesthetist, Dr Borlan, Dr Peter Fay, Dr Christine Bain, and Dr Marthinus roos and

gathered their future vision of this service in Orkney. With this background, combined with RCOG

manifesto for change 2013 and RCOG strategic plan 2012- 2015, and ‘Tomorrow’s Specialist’,

I have formulated a time-bound action plan for discussion with all stakeholders.

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These are the various roles I need to fulfil to achieve our objectives. All the roles are challenging

But because of time constraint, I would like to highlight the issue of changing the culture of work.

To modernise the NHS and offer safe, cost-effective, best quality, patient-centred care, we have

to incorporate innovative ways of working. This move has begun globally, across the UK and the

ripple effect has reached our remote island. This is our opportunity to modernise our service

(Understanding relationship- Relationships are fundamental to quality improvement. It matters how

I interact with my team and colleagues across the organisation and how I can support others to

address concerns and achieve improvement. I prefer to try to enable solutions to emerge from

within the team. I realised that just talking can inspire change and improvement. It might not be

obvious at the time but sharing my experiences with others can set a ripple effect in action.

Breaking down barrier- Direct contact between GPs and consultants can improve patient care.

GPs should be able to talk to a consultant when they need to. It can give a patient an immediate

management plan for a problem, avoiding a clinic appointment.)

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To improve quality of care in NHS Orkney, we must have a close integration with primary care,

secondary care, social care and public health. With this integration, we can promote healthy life-style

and prevent ill health. We should also keep our focus on safe, effective, high quality patient-centred

care, provided by specialist workforce. The standards of care need to be our first priority and we all

stakeholders ought to take this responsibility along with Care Quality Commission.

Regulation, inspection and accountability of our services combined with accurate and truthful data

on patient care are vital for quality improvement. Evidence of good clinical outcomes, patient

related outcome measures (PROMS) and patient experience indicators should be developed in to

composite outcome data in partnership with women’s group and other professional bodies.

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I have worked in this specialty for many years. I am now looking forward to becoming a member of a

strong professional team of NHS Orkney and NHS Grampian, working on challenging projects.

This post in NHS Orkney offers the unique opportunity to use all my skills mentioned in the

application form to develop a modernised gynaecology service of unbeatable quality in a rural and

remote island of Orkney. To me this is a lifetime opportunity, which I will embrace and take forward

with motivation, drive and excitement in partnership with all the stakeholders.