

**Northumbria Healthcare Foundation Trust Response to Overview and Scrutiny Recommendations  
Completed Action Plan**

**Alcohol Related Violent Crime**

In accordance with Local Government legislation, NHS bodies and relevant health service providers are required to provide a response to the recommendations of the Overview, Scrutiny and Policy Development Committee within 28 days. In providing this response Northumbria Healthcare Foundation Trust is asked to state whether or not it accepts the recommendation and the reasons for this decision. The Trust must also indicate what action, if any, it proposes to take.

<b>Overview and Scrutiny Recommendation</b>	<b>NHCFT Commentary</b>	<b>NHCFT Decision (Accept or reject)</b>	<b>Action to be taken (if any) and timescale for completion</b>
<p><b>Recommendation 2:</b> That Cabinet request that the Chief Executive of Northumbria Healthcare Foundation Trust explores the funding options to reinstate the IDVA post located in North Tyneside General Hospital's A&amp;E Department.</p>	<p>Response from the Chief Executive of Northumbria Healthcare Foundation Trust - we have taken the opportunity to seek feedback from senior A&amp;E consultants and nurses about the IDVA pilot which ended March 2013. It is clear that staff viewed the role as a valued resource, both in terms of staff education and direct support to patients. Nursing staff in particular expressed that their knowledge and awareness of domestic violence issues has significantly improved as a result of the pilot. However, making such a post a permanent fixture will require discussion and support from our CCG.</p>	<p>Accept</p>	<p>The Trust will discuss this with the CCG.</p>