

**AGENDA ITEM NO:**

**UNIVERSITY HOSPITALS BIRMINGHAM NHS FOUNDATION TRUST**  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS**  
**THURSDAY 29 APRIL 2010**

<b>Title:</b>	<b>THE APPROVAL OF A LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TRUST AND HEART OF ENGLAND NHS FOUNDATION TRUST FOR PREMISES AT THE MEDICAL INNOVATION DEVELOPMENT AND RESEARCH UNIT (MIDRU)</b>
<b>Responsible Director:</b>	Tim Jones, Executive Director of Delivery
<b>Contact:</b>	Theresa Morton, Senior Manager, Birmingham & the Black Country Comprehensive Local Research Network (Extension number 2022)

<b>Purpose:</b>	The purpose of this paper is to request approval from the Board of Directors to seal a lease agreement for office premises at MIDRU on the site of Heartlands Hospital, Birmingham.
<b>Confidentiality Level &amp; Reason:</b>	None
<b>Medium Term Plan Ref:</b>	
<b>Key Issues Summary:</b>	<p>The Trust has hosted Birmingham &amp; the Black Country Comprehensive Local Research Network (BBC CLRN) since 2007. All costs associated with the host responsibilities are met by the National Institute for Health Research through the BBC CLRN budget.</p> <p>The Trust currently leases offices for BBC CLRN at the Birmingham Research Park site. Due to the development of new posts, in line with BBC CLRN's business plan 2010/11 and overall strategic direction, further office space is now required. Being a network encompassing eighteen Trusts across the region, it is desirable to place core staff across constituent organisations. To that end, BBC CLRN has negotiated office space at MIDRU for a period of two years in the first instance, commencing May 2010.</p> <p>BBC CLRN requires additional office space to house new posts developed in line with its business plan, which has been signed off by its funding body the National Institute for Health Research. The costs of £2,300 inclusive per annum will be met through BBC CLRN's income stream with no financial implications to the Trust.</p>

<b>Recommendations:</b>	The Board of Directors is asked to AUTHORISE any one or more Executive Directors of the Trust and the Foundation Secretary severally to exercise the powers of the Trust in relation to all matters arising in connection with the Lease, without limitation save that such authority may only be exercised to the extent that the Lease is materially as described in this paper, including authority to negotiate, approve, amend, sign, execute and deliver the Lease, execution to be by any two Executive Directors or an Executive Director and the Foundation Secretary.
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<b>Signed:</b>	<b>Date:</b> 29 April 2010
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