

Minutes of the Meeting of the Welsh Health Specialised Services Committee

held on 13 November 2018
at NCCU, Charnwood Court, Nantgarw, CF15 7QZ

Members Present:

Vivienne Harpwood	(VH)	Chair
Chris Turner	(CT)	In the Chair/ Independent Member and Audit Committee Representative
Carole Bell	(CB)	Director of Nursing and Quality Assurance, WHSSC
Stuart Davies	(SD)	Director of Finance, WHSSC
Gary Doherty	(GD)	Chief Executive, Betsi Cadwaladr UHB
Charles Janczewski	(CJ)	Independent Member/ Chair of the WHSSC Quality and Patient Safety Committee
Sian Lewis	(SL)	Managing Director, WHSSC
Tracy Myhill	(TM)	Chief Executive, Abertawe Bro Morgannwg UHB
Judith Paget	(JP)	Chief Executive, Aneurin Bevan UHB
Carol Shillabeer	(CS)	Chief Executive, Powys THB
Jennifer Thomas	(JT)	Medical Director, WHSSC
Allison Williams	(AW)	Chief Executive, Cwm Taf UHB
John Williams	(JW)	Associate Member/ Chair of the Welsh Clinical Renal Network

Apologies:

Steve Ham	(SH)	Chief Executive, Velindre NHS Trust
Lyn Meadows	(LM)	Vice Chair (by VC)
Steve Moore	(SM)	Chief Executive, Hywel Dda UHB
Len Richards	(LR)	Chief Executive, Cardiff and Vale UHB

In Attendance:

Shakeel Ahmad	(SA)	Associate Medical Director (Neurosciences and Complex Conditions), WHSSC
Stephen Harray	(SH)	Chief Ambulance Service Commissioner
Sharon Hopkins	(SH)	Director of Public Health, Cardiff and Vale UHB
Ian Langfield	(IL)	Acting Director of Planning, WHSSC
Karen Miles	(KM)	Director of Planning, Performance & Commissioning, Hywel Dda UHB
Kevin Smith	(KS)	Committee Secretary & Head of Corporate Services, WHSSC

Observers:

Andrew Cresswell	North Locality General Manager, Powys THB
Simon Dean	Welsh Government

Julie Keegan

Assistant Director of Commissioning, Cwm Taf
UHB

Robert Mahoney

Assistant Director of Finance, Cardiff and Vale
UHB

Lucy Stacey

Clinical Leadership Fellow, WHSSC

Minutes:

Michaella Henderson (MH) Corporate Governance Officer, WHSSC

The meeting opened at 09:30

JC18/061	<p>Welcome, Introductions and Apologies The Chair formally opened the meeting and welcomed members. Apologies were noted as above.</p>
JC18/062	<p>Declarations of Interest There were no declarations to note. The Joint Committee noted the standing declarations.</p>
JC18/063	<p>Accuracy of Minutes of the meeting held 11 September 2018 The Joint Committee approved the minutes of the meeting held on 11 September 2018 as a true and accurate record.</p>
JC18/064	<p>Action Log The Joint Committee received the action log and noted the updates: JC18007 – JC18/034 Matters Arising – Report from the Quality and Patient Safety Committee CJ reported 3 additional Independent Members had been appointed to the Quality and Patient Safety Committee representing ABMUHB, BCUHB and HDUHB, and thanked members for their support. CJ extended an open invitation to ABUHB, PTHB and CTUHB to appoint representatives to the Committee. Matters Arising There were no matters arising.</p>
JC18/065	<p>Report from the Chair The Joint Committee received the report from the Chair. Joint Committee Membership</p>

	<p>The Chair noted CT would be stepping down as an Independent Member of CTUHB on 31 December 2018 at which time he would also cease to be a member of the Joint Committee. The Chair thanked CT for his service on behalf of the Joint Committee and wished him well in his new role as Chairman of Emergency Ambulance Service Committee.</p> <p>Appointment of Independent Member of the Quality and Patient Safety Committee The Chair recommended the appointment of Delyth Raynsford as an Independent Member of the WSHSC Quality and Patient Safety Committee.</p> <p>Appointment of Lay Person to the All Wales (WHSSC) Individual Patient Review Panel The Chair recommended the appointment of Professor Sheila Hunt as a Lay Member of the All Wales (WHSSC) Individual Patient Review Panel.</p> <p>The members resolved to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Note the contents of the Report; • Approve the appointments of Delyth Raynsford as Independent Members of the Quality and Patient Safety Committee; • Approve the appointment of Professor Sheila Hunt as a member of the All Wales (WHSSC) Individual Patient Funding Review Panel; • Ratify the Chair's Action.
JC18/066	<p>Management Group AW questioned items on the Agenda that had not been considered by Management Group, being the body that provides the Health Board CEOs with the necessary scrutiny and assurance. SL explained the governance structure meant that some items don't pass through the Management Group and that, for example, the All Wales Gender Identity Partnership Group reports directly into the Joint Committee under its Terms of Reference.</p> <p>ACTION: It was agreed SL would look at the governance structure around the consideration of papers at Management Group and Joint Committee and report back to the Committee.</p>
JC18/067	<p>Report from the Managing Director The Joint Committee received the report from the Managing Director.</p>

	<p>SL drew attention to the following item within the report which the Members discussed further:</p> <p>Perinatal Mental Health</p> <p>Work was being undertaken to understand current demand and any potential unmet need. Two interim models had been proposed by two different providers, both with refurbishment costs of approximately £795,000 (excluding workforce costs) and 6 months to complete the necessary refurbishment work. Members noted the next step was to look at the refurbishment options against a new build option and against how services were already being procured from NHS England. CB reported a letter had been received from Welsh Government confirming potential investment. CS noted that a written business case would need to be submitted to Welsh Government in the near future if funding were to be secured. Members noted concern expressed by Welsh Government regarding the pace of progress from a clinical perspective. CB reported BCUHB patients would be able to access the south Wales service and that beds would continue to be procured for north Wales from NHS England.</p> <p>ACTION: Members agreed the draft business case should be presented to the Management Group meeting on 20 December 2018.</p> <p>Members resolved to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Note the contents of the report.
JC18/068	<p>CAMHS – Patient Story</p> <p>CB relayed the story of a 16-year-old patient who had experienced out of area and local CAMHS placements. Both placements were well received but illustrated the difficulties associated with placements a long distance from home.</p> <p>SH informed the Members of the process for collecting outcomes information using the Clinical Coding Auditor Programme (CCAP).</p>
JC18/069	<p>National Collaborative Commissioning Unit Proposal to provide a quality assurance service for commissioned NHS Inpatient Mental Health Services in Wales</p> <p>Members received the paper the purpose of which was to provide a proposal from the National Collaborative Commissioning Unit to provide a quality assurance service for commissioned NHS Inpatient Mental Health Services in Wales.</p>

	<p>Members noted the proposal was that Quality Assurance Improvement Service (QAIS) undertake reviews of each of the 4 Units from which WHSSC commissions services using similar processes and documentation to those used when undertaking a review of similar framework services as set out in the paper. This activity was expected to be absorbed in the overall programme of QA services provided by NCCU to WHSSC with minimal or nil increase in cost.</p> <p>SH informed Members that there was a Memorandum of Understanding with Healthcare Inspectorate Wales (HIW) in place that HIW would use information QAIS collects as part of their inspection process and noted that it would be necessary to check that the Memorandum of Understanding remained fit for purpose. Members supported joint inspections between QAIS and HIW.</p> <p>Members resolved to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support the development of an SLA with the Quality Assurance Improvement Service to ensure consistent quality standards across specialised service providers; and • Note that the SLA would sit outside the framework and would link with the quality assurance and escalation process within WHSSC.
JC18/070	<p>Proton Beam Therapy (PBT): Proposed Procurement Recommendations</p> <p>Members received the paper the purpose of which was to inform the Joint Committee of the outcome of the procurement evaluation of the Rutherford Cancer Centre’s (RCC) PBT service, undertaken in July 2028, to inform the Joint Committee of the current status of the procurement process and to seek support for the commissioning proposals for PBT for the population of Wales.</p> <p>SD informed Members the signed Service Level Agreement between RCC and Velindre NHS Trust had been received and that under the agreement RCC would be providing any necessary infrastructure funding to enable Velindre to support the service on a sustainable basis.</p> <p>SD reported discussions had continued with NHS England regarding The Christie. SD offered assurance to the Committee that, in terms of price, the adult service RCC was offering on highly complex patients was equivalent to the price being paid in the USA and also equivalent to what The Christie was proposing to charge initially. In terms of price for the less complex patients SD noted the adult service RCC was offering was approximately half</p>

	<p>what The Christie was proposing to charge initially due to the small volumes initially being commissioned from The Christie while they step up capacity.</p> <p>SD confirmed that both value for money and patient outcomes should be tracked through the Management Group over the next two years.</p> <p>SD reported that there was an anticipated 20% unmet need amongst children who, it was hoped, would access services at The Christie.</p> <p>Members resolved to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consider the progress made in the procurement process to provide the required levels of assurance; and • Approve that WHSSC will commission a PBT service from RCC; and • Approve that WHSSC will finalise a formal agreement with NHS England for commissioning of PBT from Christie and then Christie and UCLH.
JC18/071	<p>Genomics</p> <p>SD gave a presentation on the Implications of the NHS Test Directory given the significant expansion in range and volume of tests for cancer and rare diseases and the link to the Genomic Strategy for Wales for Members information. SD presented slides on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Background • Cancer Test Directory – New Tests • Outcomes of genomic analysis • Rare Disease Directory – New Tests • Rare Disease Outcomes • Genetic Testing in Developmental Delay • Impact Assessment of New Directory <p>Members agreed that discussions around where Genomics would fit strategically would be important and noted that a proposal would be presented via the WHSSC prioritisation process in due course.</p>
JC18/072	<p>Integrated Performance Report</p> <p>The Joint Committee received the August 2018 Integrated Performance Report.</p>

	<p>Members noted that Welsh Government consultations on obesity were about to be undertaken and would feed into the WHSSC Bariatric Surgery work.</p> <p>ACTION: It was agreed JP would talk to Public Health Wales and the Health Board Chief Executives about how this work would fit together.</p> <p>Members resolved to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Note August performance and the action undertaken to address areas of non-compliance
JC18/073	<p>Financial Performance Report The Joint Committee received the Financial Performance Report for Month 6 2018/19.</p> <p>Members noted the financial position reported in Month 6 for WHSSC was an over spend of £12k to date with a forecast over spend to year-end of £1,019k.</p> <p>Members resolved to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Note the current financial position and forecast year-end position.
JC18/074	<p>Reports from the Joint Sub-Committees</p> <p>Management Group Briefings The Joint Committee received the Management Group Briefings from the meetings held on 27 September 2018 and 25 October 2018.</p> <p>All Wales Individual Patient Funding Request Panel The Joint Committee received the report.</p> <p>Quality and Patient Safety Committee The Joint Committee received the report.</p>
JC18/075	<p>Reports from the Joint Advisory Groups</p> <p>Welsh Renal Clinical Network The Joint Committee received the report.</p>
JC18/076	<p>Date and Time of Next Meeting</p>

	<p>The Joint Committee noted the date of an extra ordinary meeting on 28 January 2019 at 08:00 for the purpose of approving the WHSSC Integrated Commissioning Plan 2019-22.</p> <p>The Joint Committee noted the date of the next scheduled meeting as 5 February 2019 at 13:30.</p>
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The meeting concluded at 11:25

Chair's Signature:

Date:

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