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WELSH HEALTH SPECIALISED SERVICES COMMITTEE JOINT COMMITTEE MEETING – JANUARY 2019

The Welsh Health Specialised Services Committee held its latest public meeting on 22 January 2019. This briefing sets out the key areas of discussion and aims to ensure everyone is kept up to date with what is happening in Welsh Health Specialised Services.

The papers for the meeting are available at:

<http://www.whssc.wales.nhs.uk/2018-19-whssc-joint-committee>

Integrated Commissioning Plan 2019-22 (ICP)

The Joint Committee received a presentation that outlined the latest developments with the ICP.

After carefully considering (1) the latest financial reconciliation with a £2.924m funding gap and the positions of individual health boards in this regard; (2) the recent savings and assumptions underpinning the reduction in the funding gap; and (3) the risks associated with the CIAG and strategic priorities, all voting members present agreed to approve this latest version of the ICP, meaning that all seven health boards would commit to the identified funding levels eliminating the £2.924m funding gap.

Adult Thoracic Surgery for South Wales

The Joint Committee received a paper that (1) informed members of health boards' decisions with regard to the outcome of the public consultation and the WHSSC recommendations for the future thoracic surgery service model; (2) proposed the governance arrangements for taking forward the development of the commissioning and implementation plans; (3) confirmed the expectation previously discussed by members regarding the framework for ensuring value for money from the new service model; (4) confirmed the expectation that there will be transition costs associated with the implementation of the new service model; and (5) confirmed that a meeting is being arranged to identify lessons learned from the experience of undertaking the public consultation and that a report will be submitted to Joint Committee in May 2019.

Members:

- Noted the decisions of the six affected health boards to support the recommendations for the future thoracic surgery service model;
- Noted that support for the recommendations was subject to a number of conditions, including the requirement that a workforce plan to provide thoracic surgical cover to the MTC will be agreed within 6 months;
- Supported the proposed governance arrangements for taking forward the commissioning and implementation plans;
- Noted the previously agreed approach for ensuring that the new service model will provide value for money to commissioners;
- Noted there are anticipated costs of transition that include project management, staff training and costs related to the period of transition as the new service is ramped up and that the scale of these costs will be identified through the implementation project; and
- Noted a report detailing lessons learned from the experience of undertaking the public consultation will be brought to Joint Committee in May 2019.

Fetal Medicine

The Joint Committee received a paper that sought support for the release of funding to increase capacity within the fetal medicine service provided by CVUHB in order to mitigate the current clinical risk to patients in the short term.

Members approved the release of funding to increase fetal medicine capacity in the short term.

Action log & matters arising

Members noted the action log.



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