

WELSH HEALTH SPECIALISED SERVICES COMMITTEE JOINT COMMITTEE MEETING – NOVEMBER 2019

The Welsh Health Specialised Services Committee held its latest public meeting on 12 November 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/2019-20-whssc-joint-committee>

Action log & matters arising

Members noted the action log.

Chair's Report

The Chair reported that Mr Emrys Elias, Vice-Chair of ABUHB, had been nominated as an Independent Member of the Joint Committee and Chair of the WHSSC Quality & Patient Safety Sub-committee, and had signified his willingness to act. He would be appointed shortly by Chair's Action.

Managing Director's Report

The Joint Committee noted the content of the Managing Director's report and, in particular, updates on:

- **Perinatal Mental Health – Mother and Baby Unit:** Discussions have commenced regarding options for an interim solution and the business case for the substantive model has been progressed. A paper will go to Management Group on 28 November for consideration.
- **Vulnerable Groups Portfolio:** Welsh Government has formally requested that WHSSC take forward the commissioning of an All Wales Traumatic Stress Service and supports the further development of the Gender Service, Forensic Adolescent Consultation and Treatment Service as well as refugee resettlement. To facilitate this they have agreed two years' funding for a Senior Planner and Associate Medical Director.

Risk Register for Thoracic Surgery Implementation

Members received a paper that shared the south Wales thoracic surgery services centre risk register. Members noted the information provided and asked for the nature of the risks to be clarified. It was further noted that good progress was being made on the project.

WHSSC Governance and Accountability Framework

Members received a paper that explained proposed changes to be made to the WHSSC Governance and Accountability Framework, including the WHSSC Standing Orders and Associated Documents.

Members:

- Noted the content of the paper;
- Approved the amended WHSSC Standing Orders and Associated Documents; and
- Supported the amended WHSSC Standing Orders being taken forward for approval by the seven Welsh Local Health Boards.

Integrated Governance Committee Terms of Reference

Members received a paper that presented revised Terms of Reference for the Integrated Governance Committee for approval.

Members approved the revised Integrated Governance Committee Terms of Reference.

Other reports

The Joint Committee received the Integrated Performance Report for August 2019 and the Financial Performance Report for Month 6 of 2019-20.

The Joint Committee also received the update reports from the following joint sub committees and advisory groups:

- Management Group;
- Integrated Governance Committee;
- Quality & Patient Safety Committee;
- All Wales Individual Patient Funding Request Panel;
- Welsh Renal Clinical Network; and
- NHS Wales Gender Identity Partnership Group.

