

CORE BRIEF TO MANAGEMENT GROUP MEMBERS

MEETING HELD ON 26 JULY 2018

This briefing sets out the key areas of discussion and decision. It aims to ensure the Management Group members have a common core brief to disseminate within their organisation.

1. Welcome and Introductions

The Chair welcomed members to the meeting.

2. Minutes of the Previous Meeting and Action Log

The minutes of the meeting held on 21 June 2018 were read and approved.

Members noted the action log and received an update on:

- MG049 BMT Investment in south Wales – where it was noted that the proposed workshop might be held in Q4 rather than Q3.
- MG068 Commissioning Arrangements for Pregnant Women with Acquired Heart Disease - this would be included in the 2019-22 ICP.

3. Report from the Managing Director

Members received the Managing Director's report. The report included updates on:

- Proton Beam Therapy procurement exercise
- PICU 7th bed and under-utilisation of 6th bed
- Paediatric Endocrinology sustainability issue at CVUHB
- BAHA and Cochlear increased demand in south Wales
- Cardiac Surgery – Inter-hospital transfers and RTT reporting
- Commissioning intentions for 2019-22 ICP
- Posture and Mobility – Financial and activity over-performance at CVUHB

4. Balloon Pulmonary Angioplasty for Chronic Thromboembolic Pulmonary Hypertension (all ages)

Members received a paper that requested Management Group approval for the implementation of the WHSSC Policy Position Proposal for Balloon Pulmonary Angioplasty for Thromboembolic Pulmonary Hypertension.

Members:

- Approved the implementation of the WHSSC Policy Position for Balloon Pulmonary Angioplasty for Chronic Thromboembolic Pulmonary Hypertension (all ages).

5. Plastic Surgery Summit Outcomes

Members received a paper that provided an update on the outcome and actions arising from the Plastic Surgery Summit.

Members:

- Noted the outcome of the breast and hand surgery clinical summit meetings held on Monday 9 July 2018;
- Considered the actions required in order to reach agreement with Health Boards on the future commissioning arrangements for plastic surgery; and
- Requested a report on the outcomes from the two working groups.

6. Developing the Commissioning Framework for Major Trauma

Members received a paper that presented a proposal for the development of a commissioning framework for the Major Trauma Network, noting a proposed variation in the arrangements for network reporting that was previously agreed by the NHS Wales Health Collaborative. Members were asked to provide feedback to the WHSS Team.

7. Adult Gender Identity Service Update

Members received a paper that updated the position on the implementation of the Gender Identity pathway following the letter of direction from Welsh Government.

Members:

- Noted the content of the report.

8. NICE Recommendation for the use of 5ALA in High Grade Gliomas

Members received the paper that requested support for the NICE recommendation for the use of 5ALA in high grade gliomas to be used in the Welsh Neurosurgical Centre.

Members:

- Noted the NICE recommendation for 5ALA treatment to be used in high grade gliomas;
- Noted that NHS England had announced that the treatment will be available in all their Neurological Centres; and
- Supported the treatment being made available in the Neurological Centre in NHS Wales.

9. Proposed Horizon Scanning and Prioritisation Process to inform the WHSSC 2019-22 Integrated Commissioning Plan

Members received the paper that outlined the proposed revised Horizon Scanning and Prioritisation Process to inform the WHSSC 2019-22 Integrated Commissioning Plan.

Members:

- Considered and reviewed the revised Horizon Scanning and Prioritisation Process;

- Supported the recommendation that this approach offers a clear and transparent process of prioritisation when comparing competing proposals for new investment;
- Supported the introduction of a 'static list' to ensure topics not given a high priority are recorded and regularly reviewed for transfer back to the ICP development process; and
- Supported the role and function of the joint CIAG/Management Group meeting in recommending a final prioritised list of schemes to WHSSC.

10. WHSSC Policy Group Update

Members received a paper which updated them on the work of the Policy and Service Specification Group. Members noted the paper would be updated and presented at each future meeting and that the WHSS Team would give consideration to a systematic method of monitoring provider compliance with WHSSC commissioning policies.

Members:

- Noted the information presented within the report.

11. Dialysis Transportation Funding

Members received a paper setting out the extent of the Welsh Renal Clinical Network's existing and future commissioning responsibilities following transfer of commissioning responsibility for all non-emergency transport provision to EASC from March 2018.

Members:

- Noted the information presented within the report.

12. Integrated Performance Report

Members received a paper that provided members with a summary of the performance of services commissioned by WHSSC for May 2018.

Members:

- Noted the May 2018 performance and the action being undertaken to address areas of non-compliance.

13. Finance Report

Members received a report that set out the estimated financial position for WHSSC for the third month of 2018-19. No corrective action was required at this point, although the year-end forecast was a £101k overspend.

Members:

- Noted the current financial position and forecast year-end position.

14. Neonatal Transport Case Note Review

Members were advised that the case note review would be completed by the end of August but that it had already identified a series of serious issues. Members noted WHSSC would be writing to the Health Board

Chief Executives immediately to inform them of the issues identified as they were too serious to wait until the review was concluded.

15. Any other business

There were no other items of business raised.